



## Anita Gail Looney

January 23, 1942 – December 29, 2012

Anita Gail Looney, 70, of Arthur, died Saturday, December 29, 2012, in North Colorado Medical Center in Greeley, Colo.

Anita Gail was born January 23, 1942 in Lincoln, Nebr. to Lawrence and Juanita (Foster) Bates. As a young child Gail moved with her family to Ogallala in 1948 and she attended elementary school at West Ward. The family moved to Elk Creek in 1952 to assist an ailing family member and then returned to Ogallala in 1954. Gail graduated from Ogallala High School in 1960.

In 1961 Gail married Gary Dunning. The couple divorced and in 1967 Gail married George Looney of Ogallala. During their marriage and George's career in the United States Navy, Gail lived in Iwakuni, Japan,; New York City, NY; San Diego, Cal; Jacksonville, Flor.; Virginia Beach, Virg.; and Corpus Christi, Tex. Gail was active in their community activities and served as Navy Wives Ombudsman. She worked as a secretary for the Delmar College Book store in Corpus Christi, Tex. Following George's retirement in 1991, the couple moved to the Lewis and Atlantic, Iowa area where Gail worked at Heritage House Retirement Center. The couple later moved to Nebraska where Gail worked as a teacher's assistant in the Johnstown and Arthur Nebraska school systems.

Preceding her in death were her parents.

Survivors include her husband George Looney of Arthur; three children: Todd (Andrea) Dunning of Boise, Idaho; Cindy (Harold) Rehbock of Spokane, Wash.; and Dena (Blaine) Arnold of Phillipsburg, Penn. One sister Betty Norton of Grand Island and one brother Max Bates and his wife Dorothy of Atlantic, Iowa. Also seven grandchildren: Kyle, Cohl, Jennifer, Crystal, Cody, Vanessa, and Amanda & several nieces and nephews.

The family chose cremation. The memorial service will be Saturday, January 5, at 10 a.m. at the Arthur Baptist Church with Rev. Ben Keene officiating.

Memorials may be directed to the Arthur Area Community Foundation. Inurnment will take place Monday, January 7, at 10 a.m. in the Ogallala Cemetery.

Online condolences may be sent to [webmaster@drauckerfh.com](mailto:webmaster@drauckerfh.com).

Draucker Funeral Home of Ogallala is in charge of arrangements.