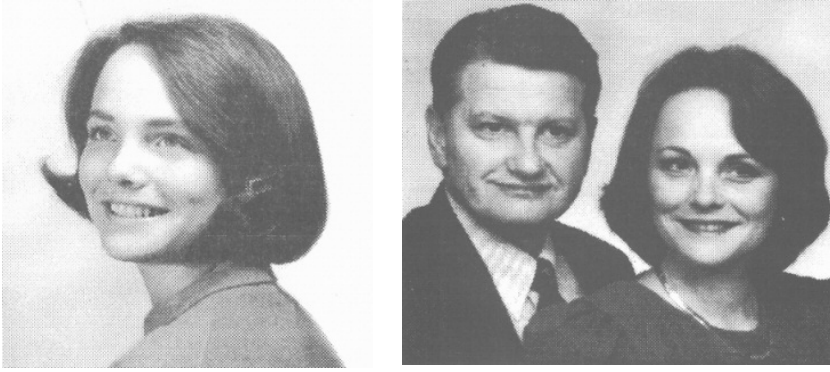


Classmate Obituary – Iona (Ashdown) Maring (22 November 2002)



Iona M. Maring, 54, of Carbon Cliff died Friday, Nov. 22, 2002, at Trinity Medical Center, West Campus, Rock Island.

A memorial service will be held at 3 p.m. Saturday at the Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses, 1175 Lincoln Road, Bettendorf.

Visitation will be from 4 to 8 p.m. Wednesday at Esterdahl Mortuary, 6601 38th Ave., Moline.

Iona Ashdown was born March 12, 1948, in Des Moines, Iowa, the daughter of Albert Edward and Gilberta M. DeVore Ashdown. She married Donald Maring June 19, 1965, in Moline.

Iona was a devoted and loving wife, mother and grandmother. She was a volunteer evangelist as one of the Jehovah's Witnesses since her baptism in October of 1971.

She enjoyed snow skiing, ATV riding and gardening.

Survivors (and spouses) include her mother, Gilberta M. Ashdown; husband, Donald P. Maring; daughter, Melisa M. (David) Swanson, Davenport; sons, Donn O. (Leah) Maring, Moline, and Dr. Jason Andrew (Angela) Maring, Davenport; grandchildren, Paul C. Swanson, Emily C. Swanson, Joshua C. Maring, Grace K. Maring and John A. Maring; sisters, Kayleen Ashdown Ackerland, Sarasota, Fla., Donna Ashdown Tesla, Farmers Branch, Texas, and Barbara Ashdown Reik, Dickinson, Texas; and brother, Jet Ashdown, Hillsdale. She was preceded in death by her father.