

Samantha K. "Sam" Spady,

19, Beatrice, died Sunday, Sept. 5, 2004 in Fort Collins, Colo. She was born on June 20, 1985, in Beatrice, and graduated from Beatrice High School in 2003. As a high school student, she was involved in cheerleading and served as captain as a senior; served on the student council and was secretary as a junior and vice president as a senior; was class president for three



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years; was a member of the National Honor Society, Key Club, Art Club, and a DARE role model. She had received many honors and awards, including All-American Cheerleader, National Cheerleading Association Excellence in Leadership Award, National Honor Roll, Academic Letters, several art awards, Girls' State Delegate in 2002 and was Homecoming Queen her senior year. She was a junior member of the American Legion Auxiliary, a Special Olympics helper, assisted with the American Red Cross Bloodmobile, did Mother-to-Mother babysitting, and helped with the Food Pantry food drive. She worked at McDonald's and then at Silver Screen Video, both in Beatrice. She was currently a sophomore at Colorado State University at Fort Collins, Colo., majoring in business administration. She attended Centenary United Methodist Church, Beatrice, and enjoyed art and was a talented artist.

Survivors: parents, Fredrick "Rick" and Patricia "Patty" Spady of Beatrice; brother, Matthew F. Spady of Beatrice; grandmother, Fern Jacobsen of Hastings; aunts, uncles and cousins. She was preceded in death by her grandparents, Fred and Mabel Spady and Alton Jacobsen.

Funeral: 11 a.m. Friday, Sept. 10th, Centenary United Methodist Church, Seventh and Elk Streets, Beatrice, the Rev. Kelly Karges officiating. Family prayer service: 10:45 a.m. Friday, library room of the church. Burial: Evergreen Home Cemetery, Beatrice. A memorial has been established to the family's choice with Nile and Cheri Dragoo, Craig and Julie Runcie, and Darrell and Sue Bruns in charge. Visitation at the Fox Funeral Home, 19th and Garfield Streets, Beatrice, from 8 a.m. - 9 p.m. Thursday, and at the church one hour preceding the services on Friday. A guest book for signatures and condolence messages is available online at www.foxfuneralhome.net. Fox Funeral Home, Beatrice, in charge of arrangements.