

JoAnn Marie Donaldson Harris Passes

JoAnn Marie Donaldson Harris was born and reared in Omaha, where she departed this life on Feb. 13 after a long illness of "systemic scleroderma."

She was educated at Howard Kennedy, Horace Mann Junior High and Central High School, as well as the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. She also took classes at Kirkwood Community College in Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

She was employed at Quaker Oats as an accountant for more than 20 years. While employed at Quaker she helped to institute many organizations for blacks in Cedar Rapids. She helped to bring the Black Museum, which opened last year, to Cedar Rapids.

She was involved with the Ethnic Diversity Banquet, a Black Gospel-Fest, the "Broadway Maybies" and the annual bowl-athon, which was a fund-raiser for the Big Brothers and Big Sisters.

While busy with all these activities, she and her husband, Don, found time to be foster parents to many children. Her love and concern for these children made a



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great deal of difference in their lives.

She leaves to mourn her husband, Donald Harris; son, Kevin Donaldson, daughter, Tiana Amos, mother, Anzcha Donaldson, sister, Linda Donaldson, brother, the Rev. Edwin R. Donaldson Jr., many aunts, uncles, cousins, friends and relatives.

Special thanks to the "Class of 69," the Rev. Rhone, friends, relatives and all who made our time of bereavement more bearable.

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