Theresa Anziano

March 22, 1972 – June 6, 1987



Services for Theresa Ann Anziano, 15, held on Thursday at 1:30 p.m. at the F.O. Jolley Funeral Home in Sturgis. Burial at Bear Butte Cemetery in Sturgis.

Visitation from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Wednesday, and 9 a.m. to 1:30 Wednesday.

Anziano died Saturday in Baltic. She was born March 22, 1972 at Rapid City, the daughter of Angelo and Joyce Anziano. She was raised in the Black Hills area and had attended the Black Hills Services School in Deadwood. In December 1986, she moved to Baltic and was attending the school for the deaf.

Surviving are her mother and step-father, Joyce and Alan Freeman of Sturgis. Three sisters, Crescenza Maria, Rosetta Lucinda Anziano, both of Sturgis, and Jennifer Renea Anziano of Spearfish; a grandfather, Elmer Weiczorek of Rapid City; and a grandmother, Pear Broben of Freeport, N.Y.

Note:

Theresa Anziano was found dead at home of Kent and Gayle Baskin, the foster parents at Baltic. The emergency personnel responded and flew her to Sioux Valley hospital, where she was pronounced dead. The investigation took place since the Coroner raised questions about her death due to bruises all over her body. Kent and Gayle Baskin pleaded guilty to second degree manslaughter charges in the girl's death. Gayle was sentenced to 5 years in the state penitentiary. Kent was sentenced to six month in the Minnehaha County jail for an accessory to second degree manslaughter.