Carol Sue Sparks, the daughter of Carmon and Della (Conway) Williams, was born September 8, 1948, in Fairborn, Ohio. She grew up in Fairborn and graduated from Fairborn High School. She went on to graduate from the Apostolic Bible Institute in St. Paul, Minnesota.

Carol moved to Newton in 1971. She was united in marriage with Dennis L. Sparks on December 22, 1984, in Lynnville, Iowa.

Carol worked as a CNA for 30 years for Skiff Medical Center and Skiff Home Health Care, retiring in 2004. She then worked at Rock Communications for 2 years. She enjoyed reading books, collecting geese, spending time with her grandkids, and visiting with friends and family.

Carol died at the age of 69 on Monday, March 23, 2009, at Hospice of Jasper County's Monarch Wing in Newton. She was preceded in death by her parents; 2 sisters: Geneva and Jeridene Williams; brother-in-law, Dan Fugate; and 2 sisters-in-law, Phyllis Williams and Bonnie Sparks.

Those left to honor Carol's memory include her husband, Dennis of Newton; 3 sons: Troy (Alicia) Wearmouth of Branson, MO, Gabe (Sonja) Wearmouth of Newton, and Jason (Shawnee) Sparks of Newton; 4 grandchildren: Ashley, Bailey, Tylar, and Tyler; 6 brothers: Ivan (Billie) Williams of New Carlisle, OH, Charles Williams of Xenia, OH, Eugene Williams of Dayton, OH, Ted (Carol) Williams of Titusville, FL, Timothy (Amy) Williams of Huber Heights, OH, and Steven Williams of Huber Heights, OH; 4 sisters: Sophia Fugate of Fairborn, OH, Rita (David) Thompson of Fairborn, OH, Reva (Roger) Walters of New Vienna, OH, and Flo (Roger) Brown of Texas City, TX; her father and mother-in-law: Lloyd and Alice Sparks of Lynnville; her brothers and sisters-in-law: Larry (Irene) Sparks of Lynnville, Lloydeana (Jim) Stewart of Newton, Bill (Lynda) Sparks of Lynnville, Mary (Emmett) Kadwell of Reed City, MI, and Mildred (Rich) Henschel of Rock Creek; a special friend, Beth Rounds of Webster Springs, WV; and many nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held on Thursday, March 25, 2009, at the Wallace Family Funeral Home in Newton, with burial at Woodland Cemetery in Lynnville.