

## Obituaries

### Carolyn Norman

Carolyn Jean Sparks Norman passed away Tuesday, December 1, 2009 at KU Medical Center surrounded by her family. Carolyn was born on July 1, 1942 to Kenneth and Dorothy Sparks in rural Lynnville, IA. She graduated from Lynnville-Sully High School and Johnson County, KS Community College. On February 11, 1978 Carolyn was married to Tom Norman in Tonganoxie, KS. As Carolyn said many times, meeting Tom was the best thing in her life. To this union two children were born, Brian on January 9, 1980 and Kristen on August 31, 1981. Tom and Carolyn farmed in the Linwood area.

Carolyn worked at United Telephone Company in Overland Park, KS, Basehor-Linwood school district, DeVry in Kansas City, MO and most recently at Carlson Travel at Fort Leavenworth, KS. Her most rewarding job was being a wife and mother and she was a great success at those jobs.

Her memory is honored by her husband, Tom; son Brian Norman and daughter-in-law, Lindsey Norman of Olathe, KS; daughter, Kristen Coulter and son-in-law, Justin Coulter, of Bonner Springs, KS; grandsons, Brantley Norman and Baby Boy Norman, who is due February 6 (Carolyn felt honored to find out the name of the baby since

no one else knows except his parents). She is also survived by two sisters, Marjorie Sparks of Des Moines, IA., and Nancy (Marvin) Berk of Louisburg, KS; nephews Jim (Cheryl) Berk of Hoyt, KS and Scott Berk of Ocoee, FL; special friends Tim and Jean Ney and family of Bonner Springs, KS and Don and Deanna VanCleve of Longwood, FL. along with numerous relatives and friends. Carolyn was preceded in death by her parents, her brother, Keith Sparks, her father and mother-in-law, Bill and Fern Norman.

Memorial services were held Saturday, December 5, at the Tonganoxie Christain Church where she was a member.