Atchison, KS



Nancy J. Beien 1939----2021

Nancy J. Beien, 82, died Thursday, October 7, 2021 in Lawrence, Kansas. Mass of Christian burial will be Tuesday, October 12th at 2:30 P. M. at St. Benedict Church with Rev. Jeremy Heppler, OSB as celebrant. Interment will follow in Mt. Calvary Cemetery. A rosary will be recited on Tuesday, October 12th at St. Benedict Church at 1:00 P.M. followed by visitation with the family until service time. Memorial contributions are suggested to Atchison Catholic Charities and may be left in care of Arensberg-Pruett Funeral Home with whom the final arrangements have been entrusted.

Nancy was born March 12, 1939 in Onawa, Iowa the daughter of Charles and Alice Whitworth Schooler. She graduated from Atchison High School. She and Theodore P. "Ted" Beien were united in marriage on May 4, 1957 in Atchison, Kansas. Nancy was employed with USD #409 at the Atchison Middle School in the dietary department as head cook until her retirement. She also served as a cook for the Atchison Elks Club and Knights of Columbus hall. In her spare time she enjoyed spending time with her children and grandchildren and her granddogs. She was known especially for her cooking and making her friends and family happy. Nancy also enjoyed attending the casino and pulling levers.

Survivors include two sons, Richard Beien, San Tan Valley, AZ; Wesley (Jennifer) Brown, Lincoln City, OR; two daughters, Michelle Kasper, Lawrence, KS; Esther "Sissy" (Rocco) Weber, Lawrence, KS; four grandchildren, Thad Kasper, Celia Kasper, Jacob (Allison) Weber, and Vance Weber. Two brothers, Robert Schooler, Atchison, KS and Gary Schooler, Atchison, KS. She was preceded in death by three sisters, Roberta Schooler; Shirley Megenity and Judith Head.