Rossville, KS



Nancy Jolene (Smith) Perry, 79, of Rossville, KS passed away Tuesday, November 14, 2023 at Midland Hospice in Topeka, KS. She was born April 14, 1944 in Horton, KS the daughter of Ralph P. and Mary Josephine (Brun) Smith. Nancy grew up in the Muscotah, KS area before moving to Arizona where her father was in the military.

Nancy graduated from Rincon High School in Tucson, AZ in 1962. After high school, Nancy worked most of her life at Payless ShoesSource in Topeka, KS working her way up to the Director of Operations. She retired in 2008 after 44 years of service.

On July 30, 1989, Nancy was united in marriage to Gerald Perry in Miami, OK. They shared over 34 years of marriage.

Survivors include her husband, Gerald of the home; daughter, Karrie Iles Brewer (Quentin) of Bonner Springs, KS; son Terry A. Iles (Susan) of Topeka, KS; 1 sister Michelle Minor (Steve) of Bonner Springs, KS; 1 brother, Thomas Paul Smith of Topeka, KS, and 5 grandchildren, Adam Carver, Elizabeth Cornett, Matt Iles, Nathan Iles and Sarah Iles; 3 great grandchildren, Lincoln James Carver, Eleanor June Cornett, and Noah Houston Carver.

Nancy is preceded in death by her parents; 3 brothers, Ralph Charles Smith, Dwight W. Smith, William Joseph Smith, and 1 sister Jennifer Marie Wortham.

Funeral Services will be held at 10:00 A.M. Saturday, November 25, 2023 at the Mercer Funeral Home in Holton, KS. The burial will follow to the Muscotah Cemetery. The family will greet friends one hour prior to the service. Memorial contributions may be made to the Rossville American Legion Post 31 c/o Mercer Funeral Home, P.O. Box 270, Holton, KS 66436. To leave a special message for the family, please visit www.mercerfuenralhomes.com