



Dianne Ward

June 24, 1949 - June 12, 2014

Dianne Ward age 64, of Chanute, passed away Thursday, June 12, 2014, at her home in Chanute. Dianne was born June 24, 1949, the son of Clifford and Phyllis (Rowell) Drown, in Kansas City, KS.

Dianne attended Wyandotte High School and then went on to graduate from Baker University in 1972. Dianne married Sam Ward on November 24, 1974, in Kansas City, KS. She then went on to work at Bethany Hospital in Kansas City and at Neosho Memorial Regional Medical Center as an Inhalation Therapist. She also worked at Wards Bootery in Chanute for many years.

Dianne was a member of the First Christian Church in Chanute, women's group at the First Christian Church, and was a volunteer at the church and worked in the church office. She served as a girl scout leader for several years. Dianne was also a lover of animals and was known for giving strays a good home.

She is survived by her husband Sam, sister; Suzanne Graves of Kansas City, MO, nephew; Mark Graves of Edwardsville, KS, nieces: Stacy Mitchell of Shawnee, KS and Robyn Tatman of Coffeyville, KS, aunt; Marjorie Horstman of Phoenix, AR.

Dianne was preceded in death by her parents; Clifford and Phyllis.

Memorial Service will be held Thursday, June 19, 2014 11:00 a.m. at the First Christian Church in Chanute.

Visitation will be Wednesday, June 18, 2014 from 6-8 p.m. at Countryside Funeral Home

Gibson Chapel. Family suggests memorials to First Christian Church or Castaways Animal Shelter and may be left with or mailed to the funeral home.

Countryside Funeral Home Gibson Chapel is in charge of arrangements. On-line condolences may be left at www.countrysidefh.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 18. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Countryside Funeral Home - Gibson Chapel
16 N. Forest
Chanute, KS 66720
(620) 431-2660
<https://www.countrysidefh.com>

Memorial Service

JUN 19. 11:00 AM (CT)

First Christian Church of Chanute
102 N. Grant
Chanute, KS 66720
(620) 431-3758

Tribute Wall

TC

“ Sam, I am so sorry to hear of Dianne's passing. I remember working with you and Dianne for a few months at Ward's back in the late 80's. You all treated me so wonderful, and I'll never forget it. Dianne was so enjoyable to visit with. I still remember the sound of Dianne and Carter's voices. Two wonderful women, and I'm so glad I met both of them.

Tammy Cook - June 20, 2014 at 10:29 PM

ML

“ So very sorry to hear of Dianne's passing. She was a very caring and wonderful person. My condolences to the family.



Monte Lee - June 18, 2014 at 10:01 AM

CW

“ Dianne was my best friend for 44 1/2 years. I met her in January 1970 when she transferred to Baker University and was few doors from my room. It didn't take long for us to become friends and roommates . Our friends called us the Bobbsey Twins because we were always together. During college, I enjoyed weekends at her home in Kansas City. I loved her parents and her sister Suzanne . Dianne would visit my grandparents home in Sabetha, Kansas and my home in Lincoln, Nebraska. After college, we were bridesmaids in each other's wedding. Over the years, our families would meet at different locations for a visit.

For 14 years, Dianne handled her cancer with grace, dignity and a sense of humor. The last time I spoke with her in May, she said "I didn't feel well yesterday, but I think I'm better today. " There is a huge hole without her, but I know she's with The Lord. Our love and prayers to Sam and family and friends.

Cathy, Dennis and Erica Wright

Cathy Wright - June 16, 2014 at 02:22 PM

MM

“ So very sorry to hear of Dianne's passing. I have such FOND memories of her as a Girl Scout leader! Dianne was a very caring person and will be missed by many.

Love and prayers to the family.

MARY HAYNES MCNETT - June 14, 2014 at 07:10 AM