

Circleville, KS

Cathy I. Kennedy, 57, of Circleville, died Sunday, September 14, 2014 at her home.

She was born June 8, 1957 at Concordia, the daughter of Burton and Lorine Salsbury Smith. She graduated from Clyde High School in 1975.

Cathy worked for Security Benefit in Topeka for fifteen years and at the Topeka Rescue Mission. She also raised numerous breeds of dogs for many years

She was a Christian and a member of Alcoholics Anonymous.

She married Patrick C. Kennedy on August 8, 1998 at Circleville. He survives, of the home.

Cathy was preceded in death by her parents and a daughter, Deanna Blackwood, who died in infancy.

Other survivors include four sons, Eric Blackwood (Anna), Quinter, Brock Blackwood (Shawna), Hoyt, Jeremy Kennedy (Helen), Circleville, and Jared Blackwood, Mayetta; a daughter, Tami Meyer (Jeff Dunaway), Topeka; a brother, Lowell Smith (Cindy), Kansas City, MO; three sisters, JoAnn Lovendahl (Gary), Shell Knob, MO, Bev Fraser (Jerry), Clay Center, and Connie Fahey, Clyde; and eight grandchildren, Brandy, Lauren, Ian, Austin, Carson, Madison, Rhett and MaKenzie.

Funeral services will be 2:00 p.m. Friday, September 19th at the Circleville Christian Church.

Burial will follow in the Olive Hill Cemetery. Cathy will lie in state at the Chapel Oaks Funeral Home in Holton, where family and friends will meet from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. on Thursday.

Memorials are suggested to the Topeka Rescue Mission or Jackson County Friends of Hospice, and may be sent in care of the funeral home, P.O. Box 1034, 66436. On-line condolences may be made at chapeloaksfuneralhome.com