



Grace A. Zobrist Cherry

July 21, 1941 - November 23, 2011

Grace A. Zobrist Cherry, age 70 of Highland, IL, died Wednesday, November 23, 2011, at her residence in Highland, IL.

She was born on Monday, July 21, 1941, in Edwardsville, IL, the daughter of Bertram Balke and Velma Margaret (nee Dressel) Balke Rochell.

On Friday, September 29, 1978, she married Gerald D. Cherry, Sr.

Grace was born in Edwardsville, IL; grew up North of Lebanon; at the age of 10, after her Mother's 2nd marriage she moved to Trenton, IL. She was a 1959 graduate of Wesclin High School . She worked at Laclede Steel in St. Louis, in accounting from 1959-1962; She stayed at home to raise her son until 1972. She worked at B-line Systems, in the plant for 16 years. Several periods worked at Cypress Lounge in the 1970's and 1980's. She became disabled in 1993. Grace loved her family, home, pet bird Kayla and raising plants.

Survivors include:

Son - Lee A. (Stacy) Zobrist, Saint Louis, MO

Grandson - Cole A. Zobrist, St. Louis, MO

Step Daughter - Ruth Ann Cherry, Aviston, IL

Step Son - Gerald D. Cherry, Jr., Joliet, IL

Step Son - Steven B. (Sandy) Cherry, Southport, NC

Step Daughter - Sherry Ridens, Marine, IL

Step Daughter - Twila Cherry, Denver, CO

Sister - Linda S. (Richard) Iberg, Highland, IL

Sister - Susan L. (Dennis) McClanahan, Highland, IL

Step Grandchildren - Numerous

Step Great Grandchildren - Numerous

Nephew - Rob R. Iberg, Orlando, FL

Nephew - Bryan M. McClanahan, Highland, IL

Niece - Laura A. Iberg, New York, NY

She was preceded in death by:

Father - Bertram Balke

Mother - Velma Margaret Balke Rochell, nee Dressel, died 6/30/1998;

1st Husband - Leonard I. Zobrist (married June 4, 1960 - divorced 1972) died 11/24/1987;

2nd Husband - Gerald D. Cherry, Sr., died 4/11/1996;

Step Father - Robert H. Rochell, died 11/27/2007.

Memorials to the Variety the Children's Charity of St. Louis or Delta Gamma Center for Children with Visual Impairments