



Ruth Ann Cherry

February 14, 1962 - June 12, 2012

Ruth Ann Cherry, age 50 of Salem, IL, died Tuesday, June 12, 2012, at Doctors Nursing & Rehab Center in Salem, IL.

She was born on Wednesday, February 14, 1962, in Muskogee, OK.

She was a member of Highland Southern Baptist Church.

Born at Muskogee, Oklahoma; at age 3 she moved to New Jersey for 4 years; then lived in the Alton area since 1965; attended Highland High School, Highland, IL. She lived in group homes at Alton, IL. She enjoyed bowling for over 30 years, participating in the Special Olympics, receiving many medals. She worked for over 25 years for Challenged Unlimited, Alton, IL. In 2004 she moved to Aviston, IL and worked for Community Link, Breese, IL. In April of 2012 she moved to a home in Salem, IL. While living in Alton she enjoyed volunteering for Specialized Services/Salvation Army. She also enjoyed crocheting, knitting and singing in the church choir.

Survivors include:

Sister - Sherry E. Ridens, Marine, IL

Brother - Steven B. (Sandy) Cherry, Southport, NC

Brother - Gerald D. "Don" (special friend-Jo Page) Cherry, Jr., Joliet, IL

Half Sister - Twila L. Cherry, Denver, CO

Step Brother - Lee A. (Stacy) Zobrist, Saint Louis, MO
and Many Nieces and Nephews.

She was preceded in death by:

Father - Gerald D. "Gerry" Cherry, Sr. (died 04/11/1996)

Mother - Barbara J. Cherry, nee Nelson (died 11/12/2003)

Step Mother - Grace A. Cherry (died 11/23/2011).