



Sonia J. Cepel

December 9, 1949 - September 12, 2010

Sonia J. Cepel, age 60, of Kearney died Sunday, September 12, 2010 at Mt. Carmel Home Keens Memorial. Funeral Services will be Wednesday, September 15, 2010 at 10:30 a.m. St. James Catholic Church in Kearney with Father Josh Brown and Father Tom Mallowney Officiating. Burial will follow at Kearney Cemetery. Visitation will be Tuesday from 4:00 6:00 p.m. followed by a Wake Service at 6:00 p.m. at Horner Lieske McBride & Kuhl Funeral and Cremation Services in Kearney. Memorials are suggested to Asera Care Hospice, Mt. Carmel Home or Kearney Public Schools Foundation, care of the family. A message of condolence, tribute or memory can be left at www.hlmkfuneral.com Horner Lieske McBride & Kuhl Funeral and Cremation Services of Kearney are in charge of arrangements. Sonia was born on December 9, 1949 in Nebraska City, NE to Lyman and Jean (Sand) Anderson. The oldest of seven children, she spent her childhood years in Phoenix, AZ. She attended school through the 8th grade at St. Catherine's Catholic School and graduated in 1968 from South Mountain High School. After graduation, her family moved to Nehawka, NE. She married Douglas Deterding in 1969. They Divorced in 1975. Sonia moved to Kearney in 1970 and was employed at Kaufmann Wernert department store and Ayers Clothing. She also did volunteer work for Kearney Public Schools and the Boy Scouts. She married Richard Cepel on June 29, 1976 in Kearney. In 1991, Sonia and her husband opened Kaufmann's Antiques and Collectibles in Kearney. Starting in 1990, she was employed by Kearney Public Schools as a paraprofessional at

Central Elementary and then as a secretary at Kearney High School. She was forced to retire in 2006 after her health declined. Sonia and Richard loved shopping for antiques, attending KHS and UNK sporting events and traveling. She also loved spending time with her co workers and students. Sonia was a talented seamstress and a wonderful cook. She enjoyed tending to her flower gardens, collecting and working jigsaw puzzles, reading novels and attending her children's and grandchildren's activities. Surviving Relatives: Husband: Richard Cepel, of Kearney Daughters: : Elizabeth and Marc Bauer, of Kearney : Christine and David Tighe, of Kearney Son: Eric and Kristina Cepel, of Holdrege Grandchildren Ryan, Scott, Allison and Julia Bauer, Grant and Travianna Tighe, Hailey and Zander Cepel Step Children: : Bruce Cepel of Kearney, CO, Leanne Voss of Casper, WY Brothers: Gregory and Anne Anderson, of Poquoson, VA : Kipp and Ethel Anderson, of Stillwell, KS : Brian and Angie Anderson, of Laurel, IA Sisters: Marcia Bradley, of Des Moines, IA : Dorene Rusk, of Creston, IA Sister In Law: : Lana Anderson, of Laurel, IA 5 Step Grandchildren; 7 Step Great Grandchildren Sonia was preceded in death by her Parents and her youngest Brother, Norman Anderson

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