

Hamilton Journal News – May 6, 2005

LONG, Carol Ann



Age 60, of Hamilton: Today is a day to rejoice! From the warmth of a cozy place that we all call home, Carol was embraced by the love of her Savior and the wings of angels lifted her into Heaven at 6:45 p.m. on Wednesday, May 4, 2005. She leaves behind a husband of 42 years, Robert Long, who she married on August 31, 1963 in Hamilton. Oh, what a fun and loving life they shared! She also leaves two devoted daughters, Angie (Toby) Plapp and Lisa (Tim) Crane, both of Hamilton. Carol was so proud of her daughters and the love exchanged between them was beyond measure. She had such a caring young grandson, Cody Plapp, who Carol simply adored. Also left to deeply miss her is her mother, Irene Sexton, to whom her devotion was beyond description; the love and friendship exchanged between the two should be an example to us all. She is also survived by one sister, Cindy Lynn Walters; brother, Frank L. Sexton; nieces, Katie Jo and Abby Walters; precious cousins, Sharon Simmons and Debbie Rowland; best friend, Jenny Marcum; her dear and caring "like a daughter" Missy Murphy; and her loyal dogs, Max and Barney, who will miss Carol's generous hands, which dispensed numerous pats on their heads and distributed many treats. Carol was preceded in death by her father, Frank J. Sexton, with whom she now walks on streets of gold. It was no secret that Carol had been battling cancer for many months. While many may face this illness with anger, she expressed that your attitude determines your altitude and she had absolute faith in her Lord and Savior. A Christian since the age of twelve, she never wavered from her devotion to the Lord. She loved going to church and was a devoted member of the Princeton Pike Church of God. Please remember Carol with a happy heart, because "to be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord." She had planned for this her whole life, and she would hope that you would be planning for it also. Funeral service will be held at the Princeton Pike Church of God, 6101 Princeton-Glendale Road, on Monday, May 9, 2005 at 2:00 p.m. with Pastor Barry Clardy officiating. Burial will follow in Greenwood Cemetery. Visitation will be held Monday from 12 Noon to 2:00 p.m. at the church. The family would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to Hospice of Cincinnati for all their care and support. Brown Dawson Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.