



Ardith "Artie" Conroy

January 14, 1950 - December 20, 2007

Ardith 'Artie' J. Conroy, 57, lost her battle against breast cancer on December 17, 2007. Artie was born January 14, 1950 in Belleville, KS to John and Neva (Trecek) Cardwell. She graduated from Highland Park High School and completed her Bachelor and Master's in Social Work at Washburn University. She was married to Scott Gingrich, had two sons, and later was married to Joe Conroy and had one son. Artie is survived by her sons, Jamie (Mary) Gingrich and their children, Nic and Caden, Topeka; Damien (Amy) Gingrich and their son, Jasper, Eudora, KS and Kyle Conroy, Topeka; her parents, John and Neva Cardwell, Seneca, KS; her brothers Rick (Diane) Cardwell, Ames, IA and Terry (Sherry) Cardwell, Seneca, KS; special nephews and niece Travis & Alyson, Tyler, Nick and Austin Cardwell. Artie was expecting two new grandchildren in the spring of 2008. Artie spent several years providing home daycare for many children who considered her a 'second mother'. After completing her education she continued her passion in caring for children at The Farm, Inc. She also worked with SafeVisit at the YMCA. She was a recent recipient of the 2007 Heather Award in recognition of her dedication to 'making children a lifetime priority personally and professionally'. Artie will be missed by many family and friends. Her unconditional love and dedication to her family was a role model for many. She dedicated her life and energy to helping others find joy and laughter. Her ability to bring a smile or find humor in any situation will be her legacy. Visitation will be Thursday, December 20 from 5 to 7 pm at Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home, 2801

SW. Urish Rd, Topeka, KS 66614. Funeral Service will be Friday, December 21 at 10 am at the funeral home. Private inurnment will be at a later date. Memorial contributions can be made to TFI Family Services, for their work for children, or Susan G. Komen for the Cure Fund and sent in care of the funeral home.

Tribute Wall



“ Ardith "Artie" Conroy

January 28, 2023 at 12:08 PM



“ To The Family:

I would like to express my deepest sympathy to each of you.

Although we are not acquainted with one another, we are acquainted with the pain when our loved ones fall asleep in death.

At Matthew 6:10 Jesus taught us to pray for God's Kingdom to come here upon the earth as it is in the heavens.

The fact that the the heavens is peaceful, no sickness, death, etc. is surely a place where we would like to be. So when we pray for these conditions to come on the earth, we are asking God to restore the earth back to its original condition when he created the first Man and Woman.

That Kingdom will be a reality here on the earth.

The Scriptures promises that the day is soon to come in which death will be no more and that Almighty God Jehovah will wipe away the tears of sorrow from our eyes forever. (Revelation 21:3-5)

He promises too that your loved ones, my loved ones and many others will hear his voice and come out of the memorial tombs (graves) to live in heaven-like conditions right here on the earth. (John 5:28,29; Psalms 37:29)

Annette Pegues - December 30, 2007 at 10:18 PM

MM

“ Mary,

I am so sorry for your family's loss. These are the times when we are not only challenged, but blessed to be nurses. I pray that you are comforted at this time and know that many are thinking about you and your loved ones.

Michael Melton - December 22, 2007 at 06:52 PM

MG

“ To say good-bye to my dear friend was so very hard, but as I watched your heart beat for the last time at the hospital on Monday I can only say how very blessed my life has been that you picked me for one of your best friends. Deb, Teri, and I will never be quite the same in our little 4-some! The group calls we would make to meet at TJMaxx, before we knew it we were entertaining strangers around us! The dinner dates we had, the comfort we gave each other in sad times always kept us close. If only I could have had just 5 more minutes to really talk to you and tell you just one more time how much you meant to me. I will remember you always and cherish how you made us a part of your loving family.
Till we meet again know how much I Love and miss you.....Mare

Marilyn Gordon - December 21, 2007 at 08:37 AM

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Marilyn Gordon - December 21, 2007 at 08:33 AM

RO

“ Jamie,
Just wanted to let you know you and your family are in our prayers and we are so sorry for your loss. Please know that we are thinking of you.

Rohn's - December 18, 2007 at 10:38 PM

LC

“ Words cannot express the sadness in our hearts at the loss of such a amazing woman. Artie was a friend and "mom" to my family.

She helped raise Claire and countless other children, who will forever hold a special place in their hearts for Artie.

As "Artie's daycare kids" grew into young adults they stayed close. She had a special bond with the kids. Artie was not only their caregiver but also their confidant.

"Yesterday is a memory, tomorrow is a mystery and today is a gift, which is why it is called the present"

Artie we love you and will miss you.

The Evans'

Les, Terry and Claire - December 18, 2007 at 08:18 PM