



Debbie Cooper

June 24, 1953 - January 4, 2010

Debbie Cooper of Topeka died, January 9, 2010. She was born June 24, 1953, the daughter of Robert "Bob" and Clara Copper. She was a 1971 graduate of Hayden High School and a member of Most Pure Heart Catholic Church. Her first job out of high school was a nurses' aide at Stormont Vail Hospital, then she went to work 5 years at BCBS, 17 ½ years at Southwestern Bell and 7 years for the State of Kansas, retiring from the Dept of Transportation. Debbie was involved in the Topeka Great Plains Hot Air Balloon Club for 8 years, which was something she truly loved, she worked all the local rallies while in the club and went to many out of state rallies including Albuquerque, NM. She enjoyed traveling and did volunteer work with the Beep Baseball organization for the blind while working for SWB, also she was a SWB Pioneer clown and did volunteer entertainment at nursing homes, hospitals, KNI, churches, and for scout troops. She also volunteered at the Great Overland Station. Debbie enjoyed photography, researching family history and crocheting which she taught herself to do. She was also a member of the KAW chapter of the International Association of Administrative Professionals (IAAP). Survivors include her mother Clara; brother, 2 nieces, 3 great nephews and 2 great nieces. She was preceded in death by her father on April 9, 1990. Debbie was cremated. Visitation will be Monday 5 to 7p.m. Monday at Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home, 2801 SW Urish Rd., Topeka, KS 66614. Rosary will be prayed at 7:00 p.m. Mass of Resurrection will be 10:00 a.m. Tuesday at Most Pure Heart Church. Inurnment will follow at Mt.

Calvary Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, Debbie prefers memorial contributions be sent to the Marian Clinic or the Topeka Genealogy Society, sent in care of the funeral home.

Tribute Wall



“ *Debbie Cooper*

January 28, 2023 at 12:08 PM



“ *I'm sorry to hear of Debbie passing on. She was a very sweet lady and a dear cousin to me and will be greatly missed. Enjoyed having talks, visits and sharing of pictures at the Cooper reunions. Please keep in touch! also, remember all of you are in my prayers and thoughts.*

Marcia

Marcia Scott - January 10, 2010 at 10:17 PM



“ *Please accept our condolences on Debbie's death. Our thoughts and prayers are with your family at this sad time.*

Kansas Division Board - IAAP
Sue Houser - Kansas Division Secretary

Sue Houser - January 09, 2010 at 06:28 PM

LA

“ I shall miss Debbie here at work.

I was deeply saddened by the fact that formal recognition of Debbie's passing contained only emphasis on her alleged failure to be a proper adherent to the Catholic Church, and failed in any way to focus on the good qualities of the deceased, a person who I found to be amusing, occasionally kind, and a worthy individual to get to know.

How sad that the service bespoke none of Debbie's good qualities or characteristics. Had the priest made even remote inquiry, he might have had at least a few good things to say about the PERSON. What a terrible failure of recognition, caring or concern for who Debbie was.

While services are for the living, and may have brought some comfort to her mother, I must say that I was absolutely appalled and deeply disturbed by the absolute derth of that service to indicate anything that recognised DEBBIE in any positive light, beyond her birth and baptism.

I will state for the record that others besides myself feel that Debbie will be missed. My condolences to the family members and friends who will mourn Debbie's passing.

May she rest in peace.

Lee Ann - January 07, 2010 at 02:02 PM

PS

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with you. Debbie was always very cheerful and had a caring heart. I knew her through the balloon club and worked with her for a short time at Vital Statistics.*

Patty Simpson - January 05, 2010 at 05:52 PM

KG

“ Gary and family,
I am so sorry to hear of Debbie's passing. She did love ballooning and was always fun at rallies and other events. We lost touch after we both left the club, but it sounds like she continued to touch many lives with her spirit and friendship, a fine legacy. I know she will be missed.

Kate Gillispie - January 05, 2010 at 01:23 PM

JW

“ Clara,

I am so sorry to hear of Debbie's passing. I knew Debbie through Kaw Chapter IAAP. She was always so helpful with all our activities. She will be missed by us all.

*Judy Wilson
Kaw Chapter IAAP president*

Judy Wilson - January 04, 2010 at 09:16 PM

AC

“ *I wanted to let you know that my thoughts and pray are with you at this time. I am sorry I will not be able to attend the sevice.
Jennifer Miller (Richard's daughter).*

Aunt Clara - January 04, 2010 at 03:43 PM

JP

“ Clara: *We are so sorry to hear of Debbie's passing. God Bless you on your 90th. Birthday.*

Love, John and Mardell Pieper

John & Mardell Pieper - January 04, 2010 at 01:28 PM