



## Thomas E. Sponamore

May 28, 1928 - December 9, 2011

Thomas Edwin Sponamore, 83, Topeka, passed away December 3, 2011. Tom was born May 28, 1928 in Ponca City OK, the son of Benjamin and Elva (Sherwood) Sponamore. He graduated from Hutchinson Kansas High School in 1947 and went to work for Southwestern Bell Telephone Company as a lineman. Tom worked his way up through the company to become manager of special services before retiring in 1987 with 40 years of service. Tom was a member of the Telephone Pioneers. He was a member of First Lutheran Church where he sang in the choir and he volunteered for TSCPL repairing the talking book machines. He married Pauline Edwards in 1959. Tom then married Deanna Wittman on August 1, 1980, the hottest day of the year. She survives. Other survivors include one daughter, Kimberly Lynn, Olathe; two step-daughters, Robin Badsky, Topeka, Sharon Griffin, Laurie MO; step-son, Sherman Edwards, Wichita; step-grandson, Neil Edwards, Wichita; step-great granddaughter, Janiece, Laurie MO; great-great-granddaughter, Kaitlin Edwards, Wichita; brother, Bob Sponamore, St. Louis MO, who Tom enjoyed fishing with, along with Bob's twin boys, Rodney and Robert Sponamore; and a sister, Sue Frye of Tyler TX, who's three sons, Thomas Bradley Frye, Greg Frye and Christopher Frye are all of the Dallas-Fort Worth Metro area. Tom's special bond with his baby sister Sue, lasted his entire life. Tom wished to thank the Schlaefles and Striefs for a wonderful Thanksgiving holiday. Visitation will be Friday, December 9, 2011 from 5 to 6:30 p.m. at Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home, 2801 SW Urish Rd., Topeka KS 66614.

Memorial service will be 11 a.m., Saturday, December 10, 2011 at First Lutheran Church, 1234 SW Fairlawn Rd., Topeka KS 66604. Memorial contributions are suggested to First Lutheran Church Choir or Midland Hospice sent in care of the funeral home, 2801 SW Urish Rd, Topeka KS 66614.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Thomas E. Sponamore*

January 28, 2023 at 12:08 PM



“ *I worked with Tom for many years at SWBT. He was a very special and gentle man. We always had a great time teasing and cutting up. I would like to express my deepest sympathy to the family.*

**Sharon Keegan** - December 13, 2011 at 05:24 PM



“ *We are so sorry about Tom. What a good, good man. We all loved him, Ellen will always have a place in her heart for you both.*

**The Crane's** - December 10, 2011 at 10:36 AM



“ *Dee and family,  
Sorry to hear of Tom's passing. Our sympathy goes out to all of you.*

**Kay Wittman** - December 07, 2011 at 06:52 PM