

Kathy "Kat" Ritchie, age 53, a long time resident of Carthage, lost her battle with a swift illness Wednesday, February 4th, 2009. Kat was born December 19th, 1955 in Jasper, Mo. to Louis & Rachael (Tummons) Pennell. Kat married Don Ritchie on June 26, 1976 in Jasper, Mo, her husband 32 1/2 years.



She was a graduate of Jasper High School, class of '74 and worked as the Director of Customer Service for Big Smith Mfg. in Carthage until they closed. She went on to manage 4-States Beverage in Carthage until that business sold. She has since been working full time taking care of her husband and the dog.

She is survived by her husband Don, her parents Louis & Rachael Pennell of Jasper, a brother Ed also of Jasper, a sister Irene Garcia of Joplin, several wonderful nieces and nephews and Mason, her dog. She will be dearly missed by her husband, family and friends.

In Loving Memory Of Kathy "Kat" Ritchie

Entered Into This Life

*December 19, 1955
Jasper, Missouri*

Departed From This Life

*February 4, 2009
Joplin, Missouri*

Memorial Service

*3:00 P.M. Sunday February 8, 2009
Mason -Woodard Mortuary & Chapel*

*Visitation with family and
friends to follow*

*Arrangements under the direction of:
Mason-Woodard Mortuary & Chapel
Joplin, Missouri 64801*