Mary Elaine Schwass

April 27, 1933 - June 5, 2008

Mary E. (Brownell) Schwass, aged 75 of Scottville, died Thursday, June 5, 2008 at Memorial Medical Center in Ludington. Mary was born on April 27, 1933 in Kalamazoo to Charles and Cora (Marcus) Brownell, and graduated from Kalamazoo Central High School. On November 1, 1974 she married Dennis Schwass in Custer and they have celebrated 33 years together. Mary was a talented bowler who played on many teams at Spartan Lanes, and traveled with her husband all over the United States, where they enjoyed fishing many lakes and rivers together. Mary's greatest joy came as a Mom raising their blended family, and from the company of her beloved poodles. She was preceded in death by her parents, her son Phil Newman, and two brothers. Mary will be greatly missed by her husband Dennis; her daughter Diana Hellman of Missouri; her son Paul Newman of Florida; her stepsons James (Jan) Schwass of Florida, Robert Schwass of Grand Rapids, and Daniel Schwass of Scottville; her stepdaughter Peg Schwass of Cadillac; 11 grandchildren, 6 great-grandchildren, and two sisters. According to her wishes, cremation has taken place at Western Michigan Crematory, and their will be no funeral services. Those who wish may make contributions to the Scottville Senior Center in her memory.