



Shirley A. (Bellinger) Betts

December 19, 1947 - November 12, 2006

Mrs. Shirley A. Bellinger, age 58, of Boonville passed away on Sunday, November 12, 2006 after courageously battling a long illness. Born in Utica on December 19, 1947, Shirley was the daughter of the late Russell and Helen (Sharon) Bellinger. She was raised locally and educated in area schools. In 1972 Shirley was married to Stephen P. Betts. She lived an interesting life, at one time working as a dance instructor at Arthur Murray and then worked at Motorola in Phoenix, AZ. Shirley was a kind, caring person who carried the love of her son in her heart. She was always ready to lend anyone a helping hand, and always upheld the values of fairness. No matter life's circumstances, she was also steadfast in her faith.

Shirley is survived by her son, Ivun T. Betts, whom she loved dearly; her sister, Barbara E. Bellinger of Phoenix, Arizona; her brothers, Mike A. Bellinger of New Hartford, and Richard "Dick" R. Bellinger of Phoenix, AZ. She is also survived by her nephews, Robert Bellinger, Danny Coil and Russell Bellinger; her nieces, Sandy Bellinger and Roxanne Bellinger; her cousins, William Bellinger, Jimmy Bellinger, Bobby Bellinger, and Fred Stewart; several grandnephews and grandnieces; and many friends. She was predeceased by her brother, Ronald Bellinger, and her cousin, David Bellinger.

Family and friends are welcome to attend a special prayer service honoring Shirley on Friday, November 24, 2006 at 1 p.m. at Calvary Cemetery Chapel. All arrangements have been entrusted to the Eannace Funeral Home, Inc., 932 South St., corner of Hammond Ave.