



Loretta Jean Long, 60, of Ft. Worth, Texas died June 28, 2015 at her home.

Funeral services will be 10:30 a.m. Friday, July 3, 2015 at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Burwell. Burial will be in Cottonwood Cemetery in Burwell. Fr. Josh Brown will officiate. Visitation will be Thursday from 5 – 7p.m. with a 6:00 p.m. rosary at church. Memorials are suggested to the American Cancer Society. Hitchcock Funeral Home in Burwell is in charge of arrangements.

Jean was born February 13, 1955 in Burwell, Nebraska to Eldon and Margaret Melrae (Brewer) Kovarik. Jean grew up in Taylor, Nebraska. She graduated from North Platte High School. In 1972 she married Fred Long and they were later divorced. Jean attended Kearney State College and later in life received her Masters Degree.

Jean was an accountant in North Platte. She moved to Grand Island where she was a bank auditor. Jean later moved to Topeka, Kansas and worked as the director of revenue for Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad. In 2002 she transferred to Ft. Worth, Texas. In 2006 she went to work for DynCorp.

Due to failing health she was forced to quit working. She enjoyed the outside, landscaping and gardening. Jean liked to read and was very involved in anything her grandkids were doing. She was also an avid Huskers fan.

Jean is survived by a daughter, Teresa and Mike Rose of Wichita Falls, Texas. A daughter-in-law, Deb Long of Valentine, Nebraska. Four grandchildren, Sheyanne Long, Garrett Long, Melanie Rose and Isabella Rose. Nine brothers and sisters, Linda Kovarik of North Loup, Nebraska, Ray and Darcia Kovarik of Taylor, Nebraska, Mike Kovarik of Lexington, Nebraska, Chris and Tom Sherman of Genoa, Nebraska, Brad and Gayla Kovarik of Seneca, Nebraska, Brian and Pam Kovarik of Englewood, Colorado, Bill and Donna Kovarik of Lincoln, Nebraska, Steve and Debie Kovarik of Woodward, Oklahoma and Martin and Shelly Kovarik of Kearney, Nebraska.

Jean was preceded in death by her parents, a son Zane Long, two brothers, Tim and Richard as an infant.