



Barbara Ann Culp

Barbara Ann (Downey) Culp, age 78, of Irving, Texas passed away on October 8, 2013. She was born in Watertown, New York on April 2, 1935. She was raised in Watertown where she grew up as an only child in a Catholic home. Barbara left home and began her career which took her to different states after New York such as Tennessee, Virginia, Oklahoma and finally Texas. It was in Lawton, Oklahoma where she managed the Kettle restaurant and met a man who she would later marry. Early in her career she was a telephone operator for Southwestern Bell and a ship to shore phone operator for medical doctors. She later moved to the Irving area and began working at the Kettle restaurant located at Highway 183 and Story Road. She made many dear friends in that time and cherished each one. On April 20, 1994 in Grand Prairie, Texas she married Henry Culp. She loved spending time at the Irving Heritage Center playing Bridge with friends. Barbara is survived by her loving husband, three sons; Steve DeCilles, Chris DeCilles and Dean Culp, one daughter, Nicole Maddox as well as 21 grandchildren. A graveside service will be held on Tuesday, October 15, 2013 at the Dallas-Fort Worth National Cemetery beginning at 12:30 p.m. Barbara was a good woman who loved her family and cared for others. She will be missed by all those who knew and loved her.