



Elizabeth W. Atkinson, 62, known by friends and family as Beth, passed away on May 13, 2009 in Atlanta, Ga. Memorial services will be at 2 p.m. on Wednesday, May 20, 2009 at the First United Methodist Church in Floydada with Rev. Les Hall officiating. Interment will precede the memorial service at 10 a.m. at Carr's Chapel Cemetery with services under the direction of Moore-Rose Funeral Home in Floydada.

Elizabeth Word was born on May 11, 1947 in Plainview to James H. Word and Dorothy (Cousins) Word. She graduated from Floydada High School in 1965. Beth married Bruce Atkinson on February 14, 1991 in Kansas City, Missouri. The couple worked together as a team, truck driving across the United States. Beth enjoyed reading, doing crossword puzzles, fishing, and spending time with her family. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Floydada. Beth was a proud breast cancer survivor for over five years.

Beth was preceded in death by her parents. She is survived by her husband, Bruce Atkinson of Floydada; sons, Christopher Arnold and wife Donna of Austin and Joseph Arnold and wife Beth of Pleasant Hill, Ill.; sisters, Ann Carr and Mary Garrett, both of Floydada; step-mother, Margarett Word of Floydada; granddaughter, Caroline Arnold; step-grandchildren, Kyle, Ashley, Morgan, Sarah, and Josh; and step-great-grandchildren, Christopher and Cameron.

The family suggests that memorials be made in Beth's name to the Jim & Dorothy Word Memorial Scholarship Fund, c/o Floydada High School, Floydada, TX, 79235.