

MUNCIE--Sharon E. McGalliard, 62, of Muncie and former Portland resident, went to be with the Lord on March 15, 2006 after a long and courageous fight with Crohns Disease. She was born in Muncie, the daughter of John B. and Loretta F. White. She had lived most of her life in Jay County until moving to Muncie in 2004. She graduated from Redkey High School in 1961 and was a member of the high school band. While a junior and senior in high school, she worked at Mary's Restaurant in Albany. She graduated from Ambers Beauty School in 1964. She also received certification from Indianapolis Floral Design School in 1983. Sharon and her former husband, Richard G. McGalliard, owned and operated Portland Pizza King since 1967. In 1984, she opened McGal's Cards and Gifts in Portland but was forced to close in 1988 due to her health. She loved painting and remodeling and doing creative projects along with years of genealogy research. Her unconditional love, support, and stength she showed, will be forever etched in the hearts of those who knew and loved her.

She will be sadly missed by her daughter, Sheri A. McGalliard of Muncie; a son, Brian R. McGalliard (Amy) of Portland; her parents, John B. and Loretta F. White of Sebring, FL; a brother, Larry C. White (Deb) of Marion; grandson, Christopher R. Hilbert of Portland; granddaughter, Shelby R. McGalliard of Portland; step-grandson, Anthony Mortimer of Portland; her former husband, Richard G. McGalliard of Portland; and many friends and relatives.

She was preceded in death by a grandson, Brandon S. Hilbert in 2003, and a grandmother, Esther Deich in 1999.

Funeral services will be Saturday at 11 a.m. in the Baird-Freeman Funeral Home with Pastor John Tyner presiding. Burial will be in the Green Park Cemetery in Portland. Visitation will be Friday from 2 to 4 p.m. and 6 to 8 p.m. and one hour prior to the services Saturday. Memorials can be made to Alzheimers Association.

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