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Our Angel got her wings. Our much loved Chris went to sleep peacefully Sunday night with Peggy and Sonja by her side and Annie at her feet. She was also surrounded by loved ones over the weekend.

Her family is so large and friends so many that we cannot mention everyone here. She will certainly remain in our hearts for the wonderful and funny person she was to us. Her life began in Pontiac, Michigan, but she always said she was from Ohio. Her family then moved to Ridgecrest where she grew up in a family of nine children, where she was the 2nd youngest, and is survived by her sister Jane and brother Jim, her life partner of over 34 years, many nieces and extended family. She attended Bakersfield College and received her Master's at CSU Northridge. Chris was Director of Counseling at Sierra Vista High School, where she worked for more than 30 years. In her 50s, she attended the Sheriff's Academy and became a Deputy, and later volunteered with the LAC Sheriff Posse. She volunteered to assist the Norbertine Sisters and was a great contributor to the ASPCA.

Words cannot fully describe Chris; she was fun, funny, giving, and loving, all at the same time. Don't ever tell her she can't do something, because she will prove you wrong, especially when she had that sparkle in her eyes. She liked to snow and water ski, and she was a great tennis player and equestrian. The Packers were her team, and she was addicted to football season. We traveled cross-country, visiting friends and relatives, stopping by streams and rivers for the night, ending on Tybee Island, Georgia, for a few days, and then back a different route and home in Bear Valley Springs. We also visited many of the New England states and enjoyed the turning leaves and visiting there, and out to Cape Cod. Our last trip was a cruise to Alaska with friends who made the trip possible.

Chris will be missed always and surely will watch over those she loves, including Cinnamon and Bailey, her horses, Annie and Casey, her pups, and all the rest of the critters at the ranch. Rest in peace and love...

Should anyone wish to honor her with a contribution to FOR-CERT Animal Response Group c/o Fiona Nelson in BVS, ASPCA, or Kern County Animal Control (to promote a no-kill shelter), all tax deductible.

There will be a reception held between 4:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. on Sunday, June 26, 2016, at Triassic Legacy Vineyards, 24627 Cummings Valley Rd., Tehachapi, CA 93561.

Wood Family Funeral Service has been entrusted with her care.

Events

JUN Reception 04:00PM - 06:00PM

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Triassic Legacy Vineyards

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Comments



“ Glen L. Warfield purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Christine Joan Fath.



Glen L. Warfield - December 09, 2017 at 12:06 AM



“ My name is Glen Warfield and I knew Chris when I met her on a bus going from Bakersfield to Oxnard many years ago. That was a friendship that developed over several years until sometime after I joined the Navy. She gave me a book of poems one Christmas and what she wrote in it is still noteworthy to this day. I quote her.

"Glen. There is joy in finding it, there is happiness in sharing it. Life is the Treasure Chest that holds it and Christmas brings us together with the key to open it. Merry Christmas, Chris"

Chris, I am so sorry that I missed this most important part of your life. In truth I am sorry that I missed most of your life. We shared experiences that I feel you also shared with the many friends that you met over time. *la joie de vivre!* The Joy of Life! You were bright, beautiful and exuberant in every facet of it. Always that effervescent smile and peering eyes, looking always looking into your soul. We had FUN! Never a day without it!

It gives my heart great peace, knowing that you found your life partner and lived the life you were so determined to do. May God grant you peace forever! May the Lord continue to walk beside you as you spread your light unto those that walk with you now.

Glen Warfield
a friend forever

Glen Warfield - December 08, 2017 at 05:07 PM



“ Chris was one of my dearest best friends growing up in China Lake, CA. Most of our time was spent laughing (I had never seen anyone's laughing tears squirt out like hers did and it made me laugh harder) as we knelt and prayed our way through school in Ridgecrest, CA. First at St. Ann's Catholic elementary School -- the Priests tried to stop her from playing football with the guys in the dirt lot behind the school, yes they tried, and they gave up, during school hours was the only time you ever saw her wear a dress (and Sunday Church too) -- and on through Burroughs High School. Even though we went our separate ways and lost contact, I have always remembered my friend and will forever cherish the memories. One less great person on this Earth. I will always love you, girl!!

Gloria Garcia - August 26, 2016 at 12:10 PM