Obituaries

Cha Rnacircle

June 18, 1944 – September 26, 2020

Cha Rnacircle passed away September 26, at her home in Sisters in the company of friends. She was 76 and, despite a cancer diagnosis six months ago, was active, creative, and engaged with her friends and in her business endeavors through it all.

Born Charmian Marie Mack on June 18, 1944 in Clovis, New Mexico, to Fred and Opal (Brown) Mack.

The family moved to Alamogordo, New Mexico when she was five. Cha spent most of her school years there. After graduation she finished beauty school and began work as a hairdresser while also attending Eastern New Mexico University.

She decided her real interest was in being an artist, so she left college and traveled to Mexico to study painting and learn silversmithing. But she found her passion in weaving and ended up studying in San Miguel de Allende and Instituto Allende. She became quite skilled and made many beautiful and creative pieces.

Cha returned to New Mexico, was married and gave birth to her daughter Klu. She worked at a gallery in Ruidosa and several other jobs to support her art habit and returned to ENMU to teach weaving.

In 1974, Cha and Klu moved to Anchorage, Alaska, and she became fascinated with carving in fossilized walrus ivory and ancient mammoth and whale bone. She worked as a bench carver for a wholesaler making carved items for the tourist market and learned the trade. She eventually went into retail, and with a partner Jeanne Ekemo, opened a gallery/gift shop in Anchorage "Forever in Ivory" featuring her creations.

She had gallery/gift shops in Wrangell and Ketchikan, Alaska, while her daughter was in high school. In 1988



they moved to Juneau and opened a gallery she continued to carve almost daily. She became well known for the beautiful faces she would carve into cross sections of fossilized walrus tusk and walrus teeth, which had been buried for hundreds or thousands of years and picked up the mineral colors from the earth. She had several gallery locations in Juneau for 22 years under the name of "Cha for the Finest."

She moved to Texas in 2008 to care for her daughter who was in poor health and who passed in 2009. While there she discovered an interest in dinosaur fossils and they would go out exploring in the popular Glen Rose dinosaur fields. Next Cha relocated to Green Valley, Arizona, to be with her mother, where she opened a new gallery and also wrote a series of books of prehistoric fiction inspired by the ancient peoples and the artifacts found in Alaska. The series is called "Voice of the Ancients."

In 2013 she moved to Sisters and opened a gallery here. Through good times and bad, through snowdrifts and fire smoke she persevered and loved being here and the friendliness of the community. The gallery closed in 2017 and she continued to sell online. She is preceded in death by her father, mother, and daughter. She is survived by her brother William of Green Valley, cousins, and lifelong friends in Texas, New Mexico, and Alaska. She found many new friends in Sisters and we miss her greatly.

Patricia Glyde (Schreiber) Stephenson

June 30, 1930 - 2020

Patricia (Schreiber) Stephenson was born June 13, 1930, in Corvallis, to Rudolph and Glyde Schreiber. Pat grew up on a dairy farm outside of Corvallis. She and her sister, Madge, delivered milk from the dairy every day in the family's milk truck. She told lots of stories of the hard work and tough times on the dairy, but it was also where she developed her love of ice cream and horses. Pat graduated from Corvallis High School in 1948.

She married Robert (Bob) Stephenson January 1, 1949, after he returned from the war. She once said she chose him because he shared her love of horses. In 1952, they purchased a farm in the Oakville area where they raised their four children, Nancy, Rob, Pam and John. While Bob worked outside the home, Pat took care of the farm, the kids and got busy raising the finest Arabian horses in the area. She would tell stories of traveling all over the Western United States showing her horses in some of the biggest horse shows, bringing home

Glyde many amazing trophies.

In the early 1980s, Pat and Bob purchased ten acres near Sisters with the intent to retire in Central Oregon. Together they spent the next few years building fences, corrals, sheds and a barn in their spare time. After the house was finished they sold their farm in Oakville and moved across the mountains taking with them nine horses.

Pat continued to keep and ride her Arabian horses into her 80s. Pat and Bob took many horse camping trips with family and friends, mostly in the Cascade mountains. Pat was a proud member of the infamous "Saddlebags," a group of ladies from the Sisters area that socialized and rode horses together. Every year the Saddlebags would participate in the Sisters Rodeo and Parade, often bringing home the first-place ribbon for their group entry. Pat and Bob also took many trips during their retirement including Switzerland, Alaska, Hawaii and around the Western United States.

Pat loved to have large

get-togethers with family and friends during the holidays, especially Christmas and New Year's Eve. No one was ever turned away and she loved having lots of friends and family around her table. During the holidays she always had homemade candy and in the summer there was always homemade ice cream. Her grandchildren knew they could count on Grandma Pat for a hidden cache of chocolate in her kitchen.

Pat was preceded in death by her parents, sister Madge, husband Bob, and son John.

She is survived by daughter, Nancy (Fred) Lindsay and son, Robert, of Moses Lake, Washington; daughter, Pam (Bob) Lindsay of Shedd; daughter-in-law Cindy (John) Stephenson of Scio; six grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren; and special friend Bill Wiprud of Bend.

Special thanks to the ladies of the Foster Home and Hospice of Sisters where she spent the last few years of her life. Because of them she was able to stay in the place she loved, Central Oregon. Due to COVID restrictions, a memorial will be scheduled at a later time.

Frank R. Ziebert, Maj. Army (Ret.)

October 18, 1948 - October 8, 2020

the stars on October 8. Born in Albany, Oregon, October 18, 1948, grew up in Salem before joining the Army and travelling the world to find his wife Faye on a ski trip to Austria.

Sons Chris (Jenny), Paul (Terri), daughter Chelsea Center (Erin), grandchildren Lily, Gavin, Colette, Mazzy and Crue, and brother Dan (Debbie) are heartbroken by his passing, but thankful his battle is over. He bravely fought brain cancer for 14 months, but it never defeated his spirit.

Frank was a man of many talents and careers: 23 years

Left this world to wander flying helicopters in the Army; 15 years as a sheriff's deputy in Salt Lake City; and a volunteer and professional ski patroller for over 20 years. He leaves untold myriads of Brighton Ski Resort memories and friends. His was a life well-lived.

> To all who have known and loved him, remember him on a deep-powder run, a golden day on the golf course, a Jeeping trail or a motorcycle ride on a glorious fall day.

> So plant a tree, donate to your favorite cause or to Partners in Care Hospice. Bend, who have been wonderful caretakers of this man of my heart.





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