



Jill Dee Morris

June 13, 1950 - May 29, 2013

Dee received a nursing degree from Florida State University in 1974, with postgraduate training at Stanford University in 1975. She was by nature a humanitarian. She and her husband had a pilot's license, and they would fly to Mexico where they performed free medical services. Her patients were deeply moved by the quality of care she provided. She always tried to minimize others' pain.

Dee was sensitive to the people around her. Family and friends remember her as empathic and generous. Dee also felt a special kinship with animals, particularly her dogs Tess, Fang, Belle, Lucey and Snoopy.

In middle years she lived in Utah where she enjoyed skiing and camping in the Uinta Mountains with friends. The last two years of her life she lived in Aldrich where she kept a garden, cooked, helped her neighbor Wanda Taylor in her final days and became caregiver to her cousin Janet Singer. She lived in the house Aldrich folk know as the old Shuler home. She loved going to the flea market in Fair Play every Tuesday with Mr. James Rice, and breakfast afterwards at Hannah's.

Dee was a spiritual person and often reflected on life and death. She believed that all things in the universe were interconnected. Those of us who mourn her pray that she has been reconnected with loved ones.

Dee is preceded in death by her parents Col. David Singer and Virginia Singer (nee Stewart) both of whom were from Aldrich, as well as her dear sister Kay Singer Stewart.

She is survived by her daughter Virginia Dickinson and son-in-law Andrew Dickinson, Vista, CA; son David Houston, DeLand, FL; sister Ann Magaha and brother-in-law Steve Jones, DeLand, FL; nieces Claire Bell, Atlanta, GA and Susy Lowen, Takoma Park, MD; cousins Janet Singer, Aldrich, MO and Jim Singer, Cortez, CO; cousin Chris Stewart, Austin, TX; ex-husband Dr. Don Houston, SLC, UT; close friends Mr. James Rice, Aldrich, MO, Cindy Phelps, Gini Monson and Terry Hiller, SLC, UT.

Please make all donations in Dee's memory to Aldrich Methodist Church and Pleasant Ridge Cemetery.

An online guestbook may be signed at www.butlerfuneralhome.com

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Tribute Wall



“ *Jill Dee Morris*

October 05, 2023 at 05:18 AM



“ *Jill Dee Morris*

January 26, 2023 at 04:15 PM



“ *I, too, Claire, am remembering how amazing Dee was. She loved the earthiness of Aldrich. She, at my request, hung a Christmas windsock on my mom's porch last Christmas. I will never forget her beautiful laugh and sweet spirit. Love you All, Pauletta*

Pauletta Kay - January 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ *In the final minutes of 2013, I am sitting in remembrance of my aunt Dee. I am eternally grateful for all of the great adventures she gave our family during our many unforgettable trips to St. George, Zion, Bryce, Panguitch Lake, and Salt Lake throughout my childhood and youth. I never imagined we would be memorializing her this year, and I can still hardly believe it is true... But it is the way of life, and I believe she knew that and that she is ever at peace with it. I love you, Aunt Dee Dee!*

Claire Bell - December 31, 2013 at 12:00 AM

AH

“ Hi Dave, A mothers' love to her children is forever just like the love God has for us. It does not matter how many times we mess up, the love never changes. That's the love Dee has for you and your sister. We love you always from Abigail and family.

Abigail Hill - July 06, 2013 at 12:00 AM

EG

“ My Prayers are with her family as they mourn the loss of a mother and sister

Evadne Graham - June 26, 2013 at 12:00 AM

BM

“ Jill was more beautiful than the flowers her mother painted and is missed by many loving members of a sweet family.

Barbara McInnis - June 17, 2013 at 12:00 AM

AM

“ On Dee's birthday I, Dee's sister Ann, am rereading the eulogy Steve Jones gave at Pleasant Ridge. It is taken from the Heike Monogatari. Dee was a Buddhist, and she would have loved Steve's adaptation in her memory. It is below.

[bell]

*The peal of the bell at Gian temple
Echoes the impermanence of all things.*

*The color of the flowers on its double-trunked tree
Reveals the truth that to flourish is to fall.*

*All who are prosperous are not so for long,
Like a passing dream on a night in spring.*

*All who are brave are finally destroyed
To be no more than dust before the wind.*

[bell, scattering of ashes]

*We return our precious Dee
To the earth and to the wind.*

*She who whispered love into her infants' ears,
She who echoed her sisters in laughter,
She who rejoiced at the music of the trees.*

[bell]

*To earth she leaves the traces of her kindness,
Her love of all creatures,
Her joy in all friends, (pause)
Her spirit to the wind.*

O sister, O mother, O kinswoman, O friend!

*When the wind blows send us a vision,
A glimpse of the pure land;*

*Land without strife,
Land without pain.*

*Land of laughter,
Land of joy without end.*

Farewell.

Ann Magaha - June 14, 2013 at 12:00 AM

SC

“ *Dee your passing has touched me deeply. I have so many memories of our high school adventures and the many nights I spent at your house. The art, the laughter, your odd haircare secrets. I remember your smile and the twinkle in your eyes. We lost touch over the years, but I too believe we are all interconnected. I have 2 dogs named Belle and Tessa as well. Coincidence? maybe not. Rest in peace, perhaps we will meet again someday. Sandi*

sandi cassady - June 11, 2013 at 12:00 AM

SG

“ *What a nice obituary and great life you lived, Dee.*

Steve Glassman - June 08, 2013 at 12:00 AM

LI

“ *I so remember you well--may you rest in peace and know that God's presence is with your family*

linda nash iauch - June 07, 2013 at 12:00 AM

AD

“ *David and Virginia,
I never had the opportunity to meet your mom. I am so sorry for you
loss and want you both to know that you're in our thoughts. Sending
you wishes for comfort and peace.*

Allie Diamond

Allie Diamond - June 04, 2013 at 12:00 AM

BW

“ *How we loved our Jill! We will never forget her generosity and
kindness. Her laugh would light up the room and you couldn't help
but join in. Patients loved her as we all did.*

*Love,
Bonnie and Bill*

Bill and Bonnie Whitaker - June 03, 2013 at 12:00 AM