

Vickie Rients



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FLANAGAN – Vickie L. Rients, 61, died at 9:40 a.m., Sunday, June 8, 2014, at her home in Flanagan.

She was born July 15, 1952, in Cedar City, Utah, the daughter of Richard and Violet Sims Disbrow. She married Rodney Rients on Aug. 15, 1985, in Pontiac. He survives.

Other survivors include one daughter, Touan (Gerald) Behrens-Phillips, Minonk; one son, Justin (Eve) Behrens, Birmingham, Wash.; eight grandchildren; one brother, Carl (Miyoko) Buchanan, Colorado Springs, Colo., and one stepbrother, Joe (Jane) Shelton, Phoenix, Ariz.

She was preceded in death by her parents, stepfather, Jack Shelton, and one stepbrother, Jim Shelton.

Vickie received an associate's degree in nursing from Illinois Valley Community College, Oglesby, in 1993. She was a nurse, where she found caring for others very rewarding. Vickie was a strong advocate for pet rights and a true animal lover throughout her life. She loved traveling, where she could enjoy nature's wildlife and the pure beauty of the Rocky Mountains. Most of all, Vickie was a loving wife, mother and grandmother, never missing an opportunity to be with family, forever playing, teaching, and cuddling her grandchildren. She will be greatly missed by all.

Cremation rites have been accorded. A celebration of life will be held Saturday from 5 to 7 p.m. at Calvert-Johnson & Froelich Memorial Home in Flanagan. Inurnment will be held at a later date in Wheatland Cemetery, Wheatland, Wyo.

Memorials may be made to Wish Bone Canine Rescue (www.wishbonecaninerescue.org) or any no-kill shelter.