



Janice Aileen Breuklander

January 19, 1947 - February 24, 2024

Janice Ries Breuklander, beloved mother, grandmother, and wife died on Saturday February 24. She was 77 years old.

Throughout her life Janice's greatest joy was her family. She was devoted to her two sons and their families - Anthony Huddleston (wife Iris) and Mark Nichols (wife Sarah and son Emmett age 8), and husband David (who preceded her in death in 2021).

Janice was born in Seattle, WA and moved to California as a child, graduating from Bolsa Grande High School in 1965. As a young mother she lived with Tony in Anaheim, before moving to Placentia where she became a stepmother to five Nichols children - Anne, Marilyn, Beth, Rob, and Becky, with whom she maintained close connections throughout her life. She married David Breuklander in 1984 (Curtis and Shannon - stepchildren), they lived in Bothell and Everett, WA for many years with Tony and Mark, before moving to Palm Desert in 1997. Janice worked at the YMCA for 12 years before retiring.

While a small child, Janice's father Marc helped to construct Disneyland, and the park formed the backdrop to so many happy moments in the family's life. Janice thought of the park as a place of happiness for family gatherings and celebrations, and this attachment lives on through her children and grandson Emmett. Janice was also an artist for more than 50 years, creating many beautiful painted ceramic bowls, pitchers, and figurines that her family and friends' treasure.

Janice loved and cared for cats and causes to support them, and the family is

requesting donations to a local rescue/no-kill shelter near you in her honor in lieu of flowers.

The family is planning a memorial gathering for late March 2024, details to be shared at a later date.

Tribute Wall

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“ I,m so sorry for your family's loss. Janice was very sweet & encouraging friend over the last 10 yrs. We never meet in person but stayed in contact over FB. We first meet when she reached out to me after I lost my cat Mattie in 2014. It really meant alot to me that she reached out to a complete stranger & brought me comfort. She will never be forgotten 💜

Carrie Phelps - February 28, 2024 at 07:41 PM

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“ The loss of a parent leaves a void that words cannot fill. Please accept my heartfelt condolences on the loss of Janice. She was one of my Mom's oldest friends and I know she was around alot when I was a baby. May her memory forever be an inspiration to her family.

Jeff Edgecomb - February 28, 2024 at 06:17 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Janice Aileen Breuklander.



February 28, 2024 at 06:12 PM