



Katrina L. Van Male

December 5, 1934 - August 25, 2015

Katrina L. Van Male passed away Tuesday August 25th following a brief illness. She was born in Denver and has been a Benicia resident since the late 60's.

Katrina has been an artist essentially her whole life. She started as a young child and enjoyed it until the very end. It has been said that she would draw on anything she could get her hands on. She began working with clay later in her life and felt she could express herself most intensely this way. Katrina enjoyed the great outdoors, loved animals of all kinds and made friends wherever she went. She was very outgoing and enjoyed meeting and getting know people.

Katrina is survived by her daughter Mary (Ron) Tucker-Dobis; sons Matt (Martha) & Ben (Tina) Tucker; brother Nick (Susan) Van Male; grandchildren Kaitlyn & Nick Dobis and Gabriel & Benjamin Tucker; great grandchildren Brooklyn & Jaden Terry; and her cats Taz & Tom.

Memorial services will be held at a later date. Family prefers donations in her name be made to Wild Burro Rescue & Preservation Project, P.O. Box 10, Olancho, CA 93549.

Tribute Wall

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“ I lived near her. We'd go on walks with her dog. It was so fun to go to her home and see her art, listen to her stories. She also asked me about my stories. She encouraged me when I finally got the nerve to show her some of my artwork. She was not judgmental and she gave me good resources to help my art grow. I feel blessed to have known her.

Tamra Amato - April 23, 2024 at 07:39 PM



“ Katrina L. Van Male

November 29, 2022 at 08:20 PM

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“ Her exhibit in the library gallery touched my heart. I had the pleasure of making her a piece of wearable art a few years ago. Some of the beautiful pieces in the exhibit were on display in her home and garden. What a beautiful spirit she leaves with us.
Margaret Linderman

Margaret Linderman - April 01, 2016 at 06:03 PM

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“ It must have been shortly before Aug 25 that we spoke with Katrina on the phone. We were leaving Canada to return to Vallejo and we had made a date for coffee and a good visit. We are saddened to arrive back in the bay area and not be able to have that visit. Katrina was a life long friend. Katrina was with us in the same art class at the University of Denver in 1955. We knew her since that meeting at the university. We shall truly miss her.
Ray and Donna Salmon

Ray and Donna Salmon - September 01, 2015 at 12:54 AM