



Ricky Sue Green Newkirk

June 14, 1953 - August 29, 2016

With Angels surrounding her pillow our beautiful daughter, sister, mom, Auntie Num Num, and friend, Ricky Sue Green Newkirk passed from her earthly home on August 29, 2016, nine years after her first diagnosis of breast cancer. She never let having cancer define her and she lived with a quiet resolve to get as many precious moments as she could to be with her family. Ricky's family meant everything to her. She loved being a grandma. She was preceded in death by her mom, Jo Guthrie Green.

Ricky was born in Stillwater, Oklahoma to William R. and Jo Green on June 14, 1953. She graduated from Leilehua High School in Wahiawa, Hawaii on the island of Oahu where her father was stationed in 1971. Ricky then received her undergraduate and later her Master's Degree from Oklahoma State University, Stillwater, in Theater Arts. Ricky previously worked for the Miami Opera, The American Theatre Company, was a member of IATSE and was the event coordinator for the Tulsa Performing Arts Center for many years after it opened.

When Ricky moved to Bartlesville she worked for Musselman Abstract Company and then worked from 2005 until 2015 as the first Manager/Technical Director for the Bartlesville High School Fine Arts Center. She has designed many award winning sets, most recently for the production of Beauty and the Beast for the local Children's Musical Theatre.

Ricky is survived by her two sons, Major Court R. Newkirk of Las Vegas, Nevada and wife Jayme; and son Jacob W. Cheverton of Bartlesville, OK and grandson William Newkirk, (the apple of his grandma's eye). She is also survived by her father Col. William R. Green (Retired) of Perkins, OK and three sisters: Jodi Green-Dragony of Farmington, NM and husband Steve; Kelly Ann Hamilton Coyer of Oklahoma City, OK and husband Brad, and Jamie Lynn Green of Manitou Springs CO and wife Stephanie. She is also survived by four nieces, Rachel and son Vincent, Allison, and her husband Chris and son Walker, Megan, Julie and two nephews, Justin and his wife Kalley and Joe, and two old Weimaraners, Duke and Boo.

We would like to recognize and give thanks to these special people in her life: Bill Cheverton, Melanie Fry, John & Vicki Droz, Genna Nichols and mom Lois, all of her co-workers at Bartlesville High School, Dr. Taylor and the wonderful staff at Tulsa Cancer Institute in Bartlesville, The Pharmacy staff at Food Pyramid, Comforting Hands Hospice and Journey Home for taking such great care of our Lady Rick. I'm sure we may have missed many others that loved Ricky as dearly as we did and we give thanks to them as well.

At her request, no service was held. If you would like to make a memorial donation in her honor, they can be made to The Journey Home, 3406 Kentucky Road, Bartlesville, OK 74006 or to the Bartlesville High School Fine Arts Center, 1700 SE Hillcrest Drive, Bartlesville, OK 74003.

Tribute Wall



“ *Ricky Sue Green Newkirk*

October 23, 2023 at 04:40 AM



“ *Ricky Sue Green Newkirk*

October 06, 2023 at 03:15 PM



“ *Kelly,*

I'm very sorry to hear about your sister's passing. Love you and praying for peace and comfort.

*Love,
Judy & Jim Puckett*

Judy Puckett - September 13, 2016 at 11:33 PM