

Mahrie DeGenova

June 16, 2022



Margie “Mahrie” Cross DeGenova passed away March 9, 2022, in Medford Oregon.

She was born September 2, 1954, in Delta Colorado to Keith Cross and Margie Rice.

Colorado always held a special place in her heart. She was proud to be a Silver Spurs Drill Team member at the age of 14. Her much-loved horse Holly saw her around many barrels.

Although she lived in many different places, Del Norte County was where she called home. You might remember her as the “Happy Flagger” in her cowboy hat and green Jeep, “Stanley.” She was always quick with a big, beautiful smile and wave. Most recently you would have found her in the Scale Shack as Weigh Master for Tidewater Contractors Inc. where her quick wit and beautiful penmanship was appreciated for the past 20 years.

Mahrie lived life to the fullest. She enjoyed gardening, collecting rocks, horseback riding, hunting, fishing, antique shopping, baking (especially her famous pies), and spending time with family. As a member of the

Jed Smith Mountain Men Club, she earned the name “Swims with Arrows” after a dip in Rowdy Creek to retrieve an arrow.

Her delight in her many animals can only be outshined by her love for desserts. She enjoyed desserts so much that she often ordered it before dinner - a trait always appreciated by all, especially the children. At home she indulged in blackberry cobbler, chocolate cake in a bowl of milk, or any of her many famous homemade pies. None of this compares to the joy she had when spending time with the love of her life, Robert.

They cherished horseback riding on the beach, watching their favorite shows, date nights, rodeos, and most recently, Mule Days.

Mahrie leaves behind her loving husband of 35 years, Robert DeGenova, father Keith Cross (Gladys), mother Margie Rice, brothers Danny (Becky), Randy and Kelly Cross, children Athena Ingram (Gary), Mercey Bruce (Charles), Jamie Ammons (James), Samantha Phelan and Enrico DeGenova (Jennifer). She will also be missed by her grandchildren Gary, McKenna, Connor, Anthony, Shawnda, Danielle, Hailee, Marvin, Odin, Skeet, Ava and Lily, 6 Great-grandchildren, and 8 nieces and nephews.

Mahrie is preceded in death by Robert Rice (Stepdad), Nathan Cross (Nephew) and Derek Baldree (Grandson).

There aren't enough words that her family can use to describe her or say how much she meant to them, but a few are: beautiful, generous, spunky, selfless, honest, outspoken, funny, creative and, most of all, very loving. Everyone that knew her will remember her fondly and miss her greatly.

Family and friends will gather for a Celebration of Life on July 4, 2022, at 3pm at the Rowdy Creek Park 140 Rowdy Creek Rd. Smith River Ca. Please feel free to stop by and share some memories with friends and family.

Mahrie's favorite quote “If you're on time you're late”.

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