



Dianne M. Oney

November 30, 1947 - December 6, 2012

Dianne Oney, 65, of Santa Barbara, Calif. passed away peacefully on Thursday, Dec. 6, 2012, at the Serenity House of Santa Barbara.

Dianne is survived by her three sons, Brian and Brandon of Santa Barbara, Brent of Chaska; two grandchildren, Kristin and Carter Oney of Minnesota; sister Cheryl Kloss (brother-in-law Greg) of LaCrosse; brother Gary Dahlstrom (sister-in-law Barb) of LaCrosse. She is further survived by many nieces, nephews, cousins, and also her Minnesota in-laws. She was preceded in death by her loving husband, her soulmate, Howard, who she was married to for 41 years before his death in 2008. She was also preceded in death by her parents, Paul and Adeline Dahlstrom; her grandparents, John and Hannah Dahlstrom, and Tony and Tillie Chmielewski.

Dianne's family would like to thank Dr. Jeffrey Polito and his office staff, and the caring staff of VNA Hospice and Serenity House. We would also like to extend a very special thank you to those who have become her extended family at Santa Barbara Cottage Hospital.

Honoring her request, there will not be a service for Dianne at this time. There will be a celebration of the lives of Dianne and Howard in Minnesota in the near future.

Tribute Wall

BE

“ I hope you are having a wonderful journey Dianne!!! Peace and restfulness to you. Thank you for you kindness and generous instructions with the computer many years ago. You were such a loving, giving person. I will miss you.
Bonnie Elliott

Bonnie Elliott - December 15, 2012 at 11:00 AM

LG

“ Lisa Green lit a candle in memory of Dianne M. Oney



Lisa Green - December 14, 2012 at 12:08 PM

LG

Sleep with the angels my dear sweet princess.. You will be truly missed.. You and Howard are finally together again.. You were such an inspiration to me and taught me so much!!!

Lisa Green - December 14, 2012 at 12:11 PM

DC

“ 1 file added to the album Dianne



Deb Casey - December 10, 2012 at 08:50 PM

JC

“ To ONEY Family - We are sorry for your loss(also ours) Our thoughts and prayers are with the Dahlstrom & Oney families. God Bless and may Gods love keep us all strong in love of one another. Uncle Jerry & Aunt Carole

Jerome & Carole Chmielewski - December 09, 2012 at 04:06 PM

GJ

“ 11 files added to the album New Album Name



Gary Janisch - December 09, 2012 at 09:43 AM

MF

“ So many memories and fun times shared with you Oney's in Santa Barbara! I guess the place to start is at Junior Wheelchair Sport Camp, Brandon was a young teen and voted camper of the year, then joined Adapted Aquatics and swam weekly for years. As newcomers to the area, Mrs. O and Howie found so many outlets and support groups for the family; I was proud to be a part of that. Brandon's high school graduation, the BBQ in the backyard; Tim and I were always treated like family. It was a Midwestern Thing. We bonded immediately.

Mrs. O could make anything fun with such a quick wit and sense of humor like no other.

We consumed our share of wine on many patio's over the years, and in the back of limo's winding through the vineyards singing and laughing like girlfriends do, with silly tiara's and tacky necklaces. We went to a Santa Barbara Film Festival event the year Richard Pryor was honored, enjoyed long lazy lunches at beachside cafe's, ate Subways as she tried to tutor me in computer skills, saving a sub for Brandon when he got home from work.

Mrs. O joined Adult Ed for my aquatic "noodle" class for a semester, entertaining as it was, she gave it a shot.

Wheelchair sport camp was so much work; she'd check in volunteers, a couple years designing programs and special reward certificates, helped out with the family day BBQ when Tim, Howie, Brian and a few volunteers would feed over 150 people; it was a class act.

When Howie became ill, I wished we could have done more. We moved to Florida but stayed in regular touch; her heart was broken when he passed away.

After we moved back to California, we'd see each other regularly; time stood still; we picked up where we left off.

And so, that is my wish now. We'll pick up where we left off... in the next dimension.

I miss her more than words can say, she was a big part of my life but she will be kept alive in our hearts and memories.

The 3 B's have an angel on each shoulder now.

mary forbes - December 08, 2012 at 09:39 PM

AL

“ *Boys: I was always glad that I reconnected with both your parents just a bit before your dad became gravely ill. I learned alot about my dads' side of the family through your mom, who knew them well. (and believe me, put up with alot!) your mom cleared up alot of misconceptions I had about my fathers' side, and for that I will always be thankful. She was my "cool" sister-in-law when I was a kid. She will be missed, but I know she is with my brother, and they are both together again for eternity. God bless you boys, and take care of one another. Toni Oney Lindstead.*

Antoinette (Toni) Oney Lindstead - December 08, 2012 at 08:01 PM



“ *Brian, Brent, Brandon, and family I'm going to miss chatting with her on FB, its been a long time since i've seen any of you, But you all have been in my thoughts and prayers.
2 Cor 3 Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
the Father of compassion and the God of all comfort, 4 who comforts us in all our troubles,*

Rick Scales - December 08, 2012 at 06:47 PM

WG

“ *Diane. She was a very special person to me. When Kristin was around 3, Mary, Kristin and I visited there in Santa Barbara. The family was joyful and extremely generous and kind. Diane was zesty and full of play... obviously delighted her granddaughter & granddaughter's mom were there.*



Diane was somehow able to see me rather clearly. She had assured my sister Mary, when Mary etc was worried about me, that I would 'always be ok'.

She will always hold a special place in my heart, and I will remember her as full of life and with a twinkle in her eyes. With Love and Best of Everything. Wendy Gnitka

Wendy Gnitka - December 08, 2012 at 06:42 PM