

IN MEMORIUM

ROBIN CARLSON 1962-2024



Robin Lyn Carlson, 62, of Gillette, Wyoming, passed away Wednesday, July 31, 2024, at Campbell County Memorial Hospital from MDS/Acute Myeloid Leukemia. Robin was born Jan. 18, 1962, at Fairchild Air Force Base outside Spokane, Washington, to Thomas and Evelyn Carlson.

Robin's father was a veterinarian and rancher. He purchased and sold several ranches during her childhood which resulted in her attending several schools in several states. She attended schools in Salmon, Idaho, White Hall, Montana, Twin Bridges, Montana, and Greybull, Wyoming, where she graduated from high school. She attended the University of Wyoming, obtaining a Bachelor of Science Degree in Geology. She was a registered geologist in the state of Wyoming.

During her younger years she participated in competitive trail riding, receiving numerous awards. She was also a very competitive basketball and track participant in high school setting several school records. She continued her sports activities after college with scuba diving in Hawaii and the Caribbean, racquetball playing, hiking around the Western and Southwestern states, and rock climbing including climbing Devils Tower.

Before graduating from college Robin married Jon Kershner and moved to Gillette. They later divorced. She immersed herself in her work for the next 14 years. Robin worked for Amax Coal Co. spending time at both the Belle Ayr and Eagle Butte mines in environmental, engineering and mine planning positions. Upon leaving the Belle Ayr mine, she found employment with Powder

River Coal Co. spending the majority of her time as the Continuous Improvement Coordinator at both Rawhide and Caballo mines.

One day, Robin, showing off a picture of a large fish she had caught, interest of Leroy Dike. He talked her into taking him to that particular fishing spot and after a few more fishing trips a bond developed. The two married becoming "Forever Fishing Partners."

They both retired shortly after marriage. They spent their time traveling, gardening, haying at the family ranch, fishing, hunting and volunteering many hours to the Office of Wyoming State Archaeologist. They were fortunate to be included in excavations and surveys around the state and working with many talented people who became lifelong friends. They were awarded the "Golden Trowel Award" by the Wyoming Archaeology Society for their work, commitment and dedication to archaeology in 2022.

Robin had no children of her own but loved and enjoyed those of Leroy's. Robin is survived by her husband, Leroy Dike; brother, Tom (Maria) Carlson; nephew, Chase, and niece, Sage, of Vancouver, Washington; father, Thomas of Leadore, Idaho; and numerous aunts, uncles and cousins.

Robin was preceded in death by her mother, Evelyn Carlson; and both maternal and paternal grandparents. A memorial service will be scheduled at a later date.

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