



Rhonda Rictor

October 26, 1940 - December 4, 2007

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Rhonda Faye Rictor, 67, passed away Tuesday at Good Samaritan Regional Medical Center in Corvallis following a brief illness due to cancer.

Rhonda was born Oct. 26, 1940, to Charles Daryl Downing and Opal Fern (Lovitt) Downing in Ottawa, Kan. The family moved to Burnt Woods in the late 1940s and later to Corvallis, where Rhonda attended school.

She married Larry T. Rictor on March 25, 1961, in Monroe. Rhonda worked for 23 years as a revenue agent for Oregon State University, retiring in 1998. Mr. Rictor retired in 2000 following 24 years as a manager and supervisor for Green & White Products of Corvallis.

Rhonda is survived by her mother, Opal F. Downing of Searcy, Ark.; her husband; three sons and daughters-in-law, Greg and Lisa Rictor of Monroe, Daryl and Heidi Rictor of Antelope, Calif., and Tony and Sherri Rictor of Monroe. She is also survived by eight grandchildren and four siblings and spouses including Dwayne and Sandy Downing of Monmouth, Judy and Gary Schrieber of Klamath Falls, Charles and Linda Downing of Eugene, and Daris and Jack Meier of Searcy, Ark. A sister, Donna Andresen, preceded Rhonda in death.

Graveside services will be at 11 a.m. Monday, Dec. 10, at Oaklawn Memorial Park in Corvallis.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be forwarded in Rhonda's name to the Monroe Fire Department, in care of McHenry Funeral Home, 206 N.W. Fifth St. Corvallis, OR 97330.

Tribute Wall

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“ I will always remember Rhonda's laugh. It made me and everyone who heard her laugh. Even in sad times...she could muster up something to giggle about. And it cheered us all. She brought joy to so many. Her Mother published a cookbook of family recipes and asked everyone in the family to contribute. In the cookbook Rhonda's Mother wrote the following: "When I asked my daughter, Rhonda, for a recipe for my cookbook, she laughed. Laughter is her trademark so this recipe is what I see in her: 1 cup smiles, 1 cup kindness, 1 cup caring, 1 cup sacrifice. Blend all together with tears and joy. Gently fold in 2 cups of love, hope and happiness. Season with laughter as needed. Wonderful for all." I remember when Rhonda read that she said it meant alot to her and touched her heart and put a tear in her eye. Rhonda was my Sister-In-Law for 29 years. I was blessed to have known her. Linda Downing MacIntyre

Linda Downing MacIntyre - December 07, 2007 at 05:26 PM

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“ I worked with Rhonda at OSU in the 80s. She was one of the bright spots in my day. She was so competent, and had a refreshing sense of humor, and I can still hear her laugh. She had a wry way of viewing office politics and staff that always made me smile. She was able to shrug off all the little annoyances that can make a work environment challenging. I valued her as a co-worker and friend and was so sorry to hear of her death at such an early age.

Lois Courtney - December 07, 2007 at 01:16 PM

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My name is Haris Khan and I came to OSU in Jan 1990 as a foreign student from Pakistan. I met Rhonda the first time in the fall of 1990 as I was having financial difficulties and my tuition was past due. I was lucky that I was called on by Rhonda to her window that day. I explained to her situation to her my situation and Rhonda was so understanding, nice and a great person that she gave me extra 30 days to pay my tuition. I cannot say how thankful I was for this grace period. Not only this one time but she helped me in similar situations couple other times. I was able to graduate college because she helped me every time I asked her! May her soul rest in peace.

Haris Khan - March 23, 2018 at 07:16 PM