

# THE DEDMON

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An online newsletter for:

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# Connection



## “TYING THE KNOT”



I never had given much thought to the expression “Tie the Knot” during the first 40 years of my preaching career and performing several hundred weddings. However, that changed with a wedding I performed at Woodstock, GA. If I remember correctly, it was a wedding of a couple from the Philippines. As you can imagine there was a bit of communication problems, but we did pretty good. For some reason they wanted their wedding in English (I’m not sure why they selected me). In the weeks prior to the wedding there were several meetings with the couple making plans and premarital counseling. The night of the rehearsal things were going quite well until an older lady, who turned out to be the grandmother of the bride, spoke up, “Where is the rope?” she asked.

“The rope?” I asked, while wondering who she was planning on hanging. “Yes, the rope”, she replied. As if on cue a couple of the guys ran outside and in a few minutes came back with a beautiful rope with tassels on each end and handed it to me. I suppose my bewildered look was easily translated so one of the persons, who spoke English very well came to my rescue with an explanation. Just before the pronouncement of husband and wife, the couple would kneel before me and the best man and maid of honor would put the rope around them and I would, “Tie the Knot”. It made sense to me and I wondered why we don’t do that as it was a beautiful symbol. However, that was the first and last time I did that and it was twenty years ago. In all probability I will never do it again.

I performed another ceremony for a Spanish couple. She is bi-lingual and he is able to communicate quite well, probably understands better than he speaks. Although the audience was primarily Spanish speaking, they did not want it translated. I thought it went quite well.

I have no idea how many marriages I have performed in almost 60 years of preaching, but it has to be several hundred. When I lived in Springfield, TN there was still the requirement for blood test and it was a border town. There was a waiting period in nearby Kentucky, just a few miles to the north and a doctor in Springfield would give the blood test within a few hours and the courthouse was just across the street to obtain the license. While many of the marriages were performed by a retired judge, my office was just two blocks away and many of the couples would come there to be married.

I had some interesting experiences during those years. A couple came to the office one evening just after five o’clock requesting my services as a minister to perform their wedding. After a brief counseling period, I asked them for their license and was told they had none. I explained to them without a license,

I would be unable to marry them. “We thought the church could give a license”, they replied. Once again I explained the legal procedure to them and it would be Monday before they could get their license. “We are from out of town what are we going to do until then?”, they asked. I probably didn’t realize how it may have sounded to them at the time, but I responded, “I guess you will have to do what you have been doing”.

Although I did not live near the church building folk found me in the evenings and on the weekends. One evening the doorbell rang and when I answered there was a couple standing on the front porch. “Are you a man of the cloth?” the young man answered. Although, I don’t normally refer to myself as such, I knew what he meant, so I said, “Yes”. He then said, “I told my fiancée, if we could find a man of the cloth, he would marry us free”. All I could say was, “Come on in”.

*In this issue I have found a few weddings of various family members to publish. I would like to do more, so anytime there is a wedding in your family please let me know.* -Leroy



**ADDY SCHONNING**

Addy is the daughter of Johan and Courtney Horn. Schönning. She was born April 13, 2016 at 1:05 pm. She weighed 8 lbs and 10 oz. Courtney is the daughter of Ken and Connie Dedmon Horn. Connie's parents are Herbert W. and Doris June Grubb.Dedmon.

**(FindAGraveMemorial# 24108074).**

Herbert was my first cousin, The son of dad's oldest brother, James.



**Big sister Josie looks on to make sure all is ok.**



*I have a difficult time finding the new Dedmon decedents. I am constantly looking. If you know of newborns in the family please let me know. If I have do not have the information listed correctly, please send me the correction ASAP. -Leroy*



This little cutie was born October of 2015 to Adam and Mena Dedmon. He is one of several Adam Dedmons in my data base and I am not sure which one he is.



**Adam and Mena DEDMON**



**PRESLEY DARLENE DEDMON**

Born December 10, 2015 to Alan and Jamie Moore Dedmon. Presley has a big brother, Bradley Alan, who is about 5 or 6 years old.



I think the parents of this handsome young fellow are Adam and Keiri Dedmon. As you probably know by now there are several Adam Dedmons. If my information is correct this Adam is a grandson to Theo "Ted" and Dorotha Moore Dedmon. His father is Richard Dedmon and he also has a brother named Richard. He is in the direct line of my branch of the tree. (LD)



## JAYCEE MARKS & BOBBY DEDMON

Sunday, June 14, 2015



*I found the following story interesting. -Leroy*

### OUR STORY

#### *How We Met*

First off...I always said I would never date Bobby Dedmon. He was Trevor's best friend, and I never wanted to come between their friendship! Now, over 5 years later, we are getting married!

I will never forget our first summer together. Trevor invited him to join us on our annual family beach trip. After a few days, it was like we were old friends. Everybody laughs about how he was head over heels for me then, and I was completely oblivious. A few months later, I decided I would give him a chance. I literally remember telling my parents that we were "going to try dating, but I really didn't think he was boyfriend material." We have been inseparable ever since!

Together, we have graduated high school, endured nursing school, started our first jobs, went on numerous vacations, and now we are building a home together. We have made so many memories in the last 5 years, and we absolutely cannot wait to see what the future holds for us!

#### *We're Engaged!*

We planned a cruise with our best friends, Matthew & Alayna. We left out of Jacksonville, FL on October 16th. We had just celebrated our 5th anniversary on the 11th, and little did I know what was about to happen! Shortly after the boat left the port, we decided to go up on the top deck so we could see and take some pictures. Alayna had her professional camera and we

wanted to take advantage of the views! Bobby and I were looking off the side of the ship, and apparently I was in a daze, because the next thing I knew, I turned around and Bobby was down on one knee! Of course, I cried, but not before I asked him if he was serious about 10 times! Finally, he said, "Jaycee, are you going to say yes or not?!?!" The best part, we will forever have picture memories of that special moment! Alayna had captured the entire event on camera while Matt recorded it on video!

Of course, everyone in our families knew Bobby was going to propose. His mom, Justina, even sent Alayna on the cruise with a memory card and scotch tape. The ring was way too big, but Bobby didn't want to get it sized without me there. So after the proposal, Alayna used the tape to try and make the band thicker! During one of our stops in the Bahamas, I was finally able to get enough service to send our moms a picture of the ring. They promised to keep it a secret until we got home and we were able to make the "official" announcement. I literally got texts from everyone the entire way home asking, "How much longer?" because they were dying to share the exciting news!

#### *Our Wedding*

The Ceremony and Reception was at the Langtree Plantation, 554 Langtree Road, Mooresville, NC. The Historic Plantation House at Langtree was constructed near the end of the Civil War by Dr. Henry Yeoman Mott. Dr. Mott, as he was so familiarly known, was a true type of the old-time southern gentleman, a manly, erect figure, a man loved and honored by all who knew him. Henry Yeoman Mott, then a young man of 20 years, entered the Confederate army as a cavalry private at the outbreak of the Civil War. He was known as a gallant and courageous soldier, serving throughout the entire four years of the war, carrying his commission in his pocket and serving in the cavalry ranks as a soldier instead of an officer. For a while he was aide to General D. H. Hill. Just after the war, Dr. Mott married Miss Roxana Smith, of Lincoln county. His wife was a member of a prominent family of Lincoln county. Her father was the director of the Little Mountain Iron Works of the Confederate government, an important unit during the war. Dr. Mott attended Jefferson Medical College, in Philadelphia, after the war. His two older brothers had been graduated from this institution. After his graduation, Dr. Mott returned to his home to take up the practice of medicine. He became one of the outstanding physicians of this section. His practice extended over Lincoln and Iredell counties and over part of northern Mecklenburg county. -Jaycee

**LLOYD JAMES ASKEW AND KIRBY FORRESTER EXCHANGE VOWS**

**May 23, 2015**



Lloyd James Askew is the grandson of my first cousin, Tommy Llyod Gilbert and Jane's best friend in high school, Ann McCall Gilbert. His parents are Jane and Mark Askew. Jane is the Daughter of Tommy and Ann.

**ASHLEY A. ARMSTRONG & CAMERON D. DEDMON**

**June 22, 2013**



Ashley and Cameron were married June 22, 2013 in Houston, TX. The bride earned a Bachelor of Science in Community Health degree and teaches and coaches in Fort Bend ISD. The groom is a graduate of University of Memphis, and works as an accountant for KBR.

**ANDREA M. BAKER AND SHANNAN R. DEDMON**

**June 6, 2009**



Andrea M. Baker and Shannan R. Dedmon, both of Canton, were married June 6, 2009 in Zion Lutheran Church by the Rev. Donald Potter. Parents of the bride are Jeffery and Pamela Baker of Canton. Parents of the bridegroom are David and Sue Dedmon of Navarre. Jennifer Rohr is the honor attendant. Bridesmaids were Samantha Dedmon, Anne Stitzlein, Brittany Miner and Breanna Miner. Amber Dedmon and Kaylee Cunningham were the flower girls. Zander Young was the ring bearer. Keith Hanshoe was the best man. Ushers were Aaron Leapline, Dan Grace, Todd Grace, Tyler Miner, Jake

**KRISTYN FUNDERBURKE & KEVIN DEDMON**

**November 21, 2015**



Kevin and Kristy is are from Shelby, NC. He is a Singer/Songwriter/Guitar/Fiddle at Dirty Grass Soul and she may be a Pharmacist. at Publix.



## PRESSNELL FAMILY LEAVES TENNIS LEGACY AT AUSTIN

By David Elwell Sports Writer

April 27, 2016

It started simply with an older brother wanting to spend time with his younger brother. No one could have imagined Nicky Pressnell taking his younger brother LaRon to the local tennis courts could have fueled a family passion now into its third generation at Austin.

“I was reading a story the other day about a \$1 million trip,” Nicky said. “When you consider what tennis has meant to my family as far as scholarships and jobs, it might have been a \$1 million trip that day.” LaRon was so good in his four years at Austin High that he was named an All-American his senior year in 1979. He played in college at Freed-Hardeman University. Later he was tennis coach and athletic director at the Henderson, Tennessee, school. Today, when he’s not working as a loan originator for First Federal in Athens, he usually can be found giving lessons at Canebrake Country Club.

Chris Pressnell, Nicky’s son, teamed with his cousin Scott Shirley to help give Austin a tennis state championship in 1989. Shirley’s mother, Pat, is Nicky’s sister. Both Chris and Scott played in college. Chris played at UNA and Scott played at UAH. Chris preaches at the Flint Church of Christ.



**THE PRESSNELL FAMILY (L-R) LARON, NICKY, CHRIS AND CADE**  
*Chris is married to Tera Janay Broome, the daughter of Terry Lamar and Kathy Gail McNally Broom. Terry’s great grandmother, was Caroline Caldonia "Callie" Dedmon.*

He is also the tennis pro at Burningtrees Country Club and has been volunteer assistant at Austin for two years. Cade Pressnell is Chris’ son. The Austin senior is competing in the 6A state tournament Thursday. Last year, he advanced to the state finals at No. 1 singles. He and No. 1 doubles teammate John Maze also will be competing for a state championship. Cade is scheduled to sign with Wallace State Community College in Hanceville on May 11. Other members of the family have made their mark in athletics at Austin in volleyball, football, baseball and gymnastics. LaRon showed promise. “I don’t remember what year it was, but I know we had never played tennis,” Nicky said. “I think I bought some cheap rackets somewhere. I do remember LaRon showed some ability that day. After playing three or four times, he was really doing well. By the time he got to high school, he was the best around.” The tennis might have ended right there if LaRon had not been paying attention to the announcements at Austin during his freshman year. “I heard them say that tennis tryouts were that day,” LaRon said. “I thought I would give it a try. I didn’t really start getting serious about tennis until I was in like the eighth grade.”

In his four years at Austin, LaRon posted a 64-5 record that included four Tennessee Valley Conference Tournament championships. He advanced to the state tournament finals his senior year in 1979. “I was up 6-0, 6-1 in the finals and lost because of cramps,” LaRon said. Nicky, who preaches at the Neel Church of Christ, is 12 years older than LaRon. Chris is 12 years younger than LaRon. Chris remembers seeing his uncle play. “I’m not saying I played tennis because of LaRon, but he certainly had an impact,” Chris said. “We would have family gatherings at Austinville Park. He would be hitting at the tennis courts. He was really good. He still is today. If he had started as young as they do now, there’s no telling how good he could have been.” Chris said he started throwing tennis balls at Cade when he was as young as 3. “I told Chris that if Cade can survive his dad, he could be pretty good,” Nicky said. Just because Cade is playing his last match for Austin this week doesn’t mean the Pressnell influence on Austin tennis will end. Chris hopes to continue helping with the team. “If it works out, it is certainly something I want to continue doing,” Chris said. “It’s been a lot of fun being a part of Austin tennis.”



### ANNIE GERALDINE "JERRI" MOORE CARPENTER,

Annie Geraldine "Jerri" Moore Carpenter, 81, peacefully went to be with her Lord surrounded by her loving children on Sunday, March 25, 2012 at home. A native of Cleveland County she was the daughter of the late Lillie Mae Thrift and step-father Clarence Thrift. She was also preceded in death by her husband, William Harold Carpenter, and son Harold Kenneth Carpenter.

Jerri loved spending time with her family. She was a loving mother, grandmother and great-grandmother. She was a self-employed caterer and taught cake decorating classes at Cleveland Community College. She was a member of Pleasant Hill Baptist Church.

She is survived by her children, Dianne Blanton and husband, Danny, Keith Carpenter and wife, Barbara, Karla Spangler and husband, Roger, Lori Wellmon and husband, Tim, all of Shelby; 12 grandchildren; and 9 great grandchildren.

Visitation: The family will receive friends from 6 7:30 p.m. on Monday at Cecil M. Burton Funeral Home. At other times the family will be at the home.

Celebration of life service: Tuesday, 2 p.m. at Pleasant Hill Baptist Church. Officiated By: Rev. Greg Martin, Burial: church cemetery.

Memorials: Hospice Cleveland County Crisis Care, 951 Wendover Heights Drive, Shelby, NC 28150. **(Find A Grave Memorial# 87379511)**



JERRI AND WILLIAM

Jerri was married to William Harold Carpenter (1925-2000) on June 27, 1952. **(Find A Grave Memorial# 148332102)**. He was the son of Robert Lee and Eva Mae Dedmon Carpenter. They had five children, Sheila Diane, Harold Kenneth, William Kieth, Karla Denise, and Lori Dean.



Their son Harold Kenneth passed away Mar. 17, 2010. **(Find A Grave Memorial# 154302735)**.



ROBERT AND EVA MAE DEDMON CARPENTER

Eva Mae Dedmon (1903-1998) was the daughter of Jesse Frank and Lottie Wellmon Dedmon. She and Robert were married May 07, 1923. They are buried in New Prospect Baptist Church Cemetery, Shelby, NC **(Find A Grave Memorials# 152616691 and 154022818)**.

### RUBY RICHARDSON DEDMON

AIKEN, SC - Funeral services for Ruby Richardson Dedmon, 91, of



Aiken, will be held at 1 p.m. Wed., Nov. 25, 2015 at Redds Branch Baptist Church. Pastor Mark Watford will officiate. Burial

will follow in the church cemetery. The grandsons and great-grandsons will be Pallbearers. The family will receive friends from 6-8 p.m. Tuesday at George Funeral Home.

Mrs. Dedmon, passed away on Monday, November 23, 2015 at Pepper Hill Nursing Home. She was a native of Aiken, and a daughter of the late Lonnie and Evelyn Richardson. She was retired from Aiken County Public Schools. She was a member of Redds Branch Baptist Church where she was a member of the Willing Workers Sunday School Class, the Choir and the 50 uppers. She was the Librarian for many years and worked with WMU, GA's and Acteens. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her sisters, Gladly Willis, Eleanor Duncan, Christine Seigler, Judy Stevenson and Annie Richardson.

Survivors include: sons, William "Bill" Dedmon (Joyce) of Aiken and Stanley E. Dedmon (Gail) of Lexington; a daughter, Linda D. Cook (James) of Aiken; 5 grandchildren, Frank E. Dedmon, Christopher Dedmon, Robbie Dedmon (Janet) and Ryan Cook (Brandi) and 6 great-grandchildren, Bryson Dedmon, Sean Dedmon, Chris Duran, Lori Duran, Jackson Duran and Marli Cook.

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## THEO "TED" DEDMON

Theo "Ted" Dedmon, 79, of Indianola, died Wednesday, Feb. 15, 2006, at McAlester Regional Health Center. He was born July 26, 1926, in Hon, Ark., to Fred and Bessie Chandler Dedmon. When he was a child, the family moved to California where he attended school. He married Dorothea Moore on May 5, 1948, in Tranquillity, Calif. He was a mechanic and also a bus driver for the state of California in the Morgan Hill School District until his retirement. In 1980, he and his wife moved to the McAlester area, where they attended the Canadian Shores Free Will Baptist Church.

He enjoyed fishing, camping and mowing his lawn. Survivors include his wife, Dorothea Dedmon; sons and daughters-in-law, Frank and Bobbie Dedmon, Fred Dedmon, Clyde and Terri Dedmon, Richard Dedmon; grandchildren and spouses, Christe Pitsch, Coty Dedmon, Angeline Yountz, Ethan Dedmon, Nichole and Dale Smith, Jenny West, Richard N. Dedmon and Adam Dedmon. And, great-grandchildren, Jacob Smith, Brian Yountz Jr., Gracie West, Samantha Yountz; sisters and brothers-in-law, Cleo and Lee Brannum; brothers and sister-in-law, L.D. and Billy Dedmon; sister-in-law and spouse, Jane and John Lopez; brother-in-law, Robert Moore; special friends, Johnny and Lila Patrick; numerous nieces, nephews and cousins, and special friends, all the members of the Canadian Shores Free Will Baptist Church.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Fred and Bessie Dedmon; a son, Neal Dedmon; a grandson, Donald Ventura, and four brothers, Earl, Collidge, Carl and Arthur Dedmon. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Monday at Canadian Shores Free Will Baptist Church with the Rev. Brent Jarrett officiating, assisted by Steven Eldridge. Burial will be at Indianola Cemetery with full military honors provided by the Robert B. Thomas, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Post No. 1098. Arrangements are under the direction of Bishop Funeral Service. Pallbearers include Dale Smith, Mike Braley, Jarod Eldridge, Steve Eldridge, Seth Eldridge and Mike Sennett.

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## SAMANTHA PEARL ANNE DEDMON BARNARD

**March 8, 1913 – March 11, 2011**

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Pearl Barnard of Viola, Arkansas died on March 11, 2011 at Baxter Regional Medical Center in Mountain Home, Arkansas. Pearl was born on March 8, 1913 in New Boston, Texas to William Burton Dedmon and Bessie Anne (Williams) Dedmon.

Pearl spent her childhood in Texas, attending Texas Tech where she received her teaching certificate, she then taught school near Abilene, Texas.

On a working holiday in CO, Pearl met her future husband while working on the Barnard ranch. They were married on July 6, 1940 in Price, Utah and lived their lives together on the ranch in Molina. She was a member of the Molina Baptist Church and lived her life as an example to others and in service to her family and friends. She loved to travel and in her 98 years her travel spanned everything from crossing Texas in a covered wagon to airline travel. She and Carl spent their retirement years traveling the Western United States and Canada. Pearl also spent time in Hawaii and Australia.

Pearl will be greatly missed by family and friends. She is survived by one son, William Barnard (Kathy) of Mack, CO; one daughter, Richlyn Roach (Dick) of Viola, AR; one grandson, Andrew Barnard (Andrea) of Fruita, CO; one step-granddaughter, Kelli Cooper of Viola, AR, and three stepgreat-grandchildren, Natasha, Mistilen, and Tristan. She is also survived by one cousin and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 23 years, Carl V. Barnard, four brothers: William Ray Dedmon, Richard Burton Dedmon, Roy Lane Dedmon and Arthur Guy Dedmon. Three sisters: Cora Eufala Gwendolyn Dedmon, Bonnie Jean Maragert Dedmon Woodring and Nellie Ann Dedmon. Her granddaughter, Elizabeth Barnard, and one stepgreat-grandson, Alexander.

Graveside services for Pearl will be held at the Mesa Cemetery in Mesa, CO, on Thursday, March 17, at 11:00 a.m. with reception for friends and family to follow at Molina Baptist Church. A memorial service will be held at a later date at the Enterprise Baptist Church in Viola. In lieu of flowers the family asks that donations be made to Mission Builders International. The Pearl Barnard Memorial, PO Box 406, Lakeside, Montana 59922 or a charity of your choice.

**Find A Grave Memorial# 67048003**



## JOYCE DEDMON CARROLL



**Athens, AL** - Joyce Dedmon Carroll, 78, of Athens, passed away at Huntsville Hospital on Thursday, April 28, 2011. Mrs. Carroll was born September 10, 1932, in Limestone County. She was the daughter of Dewey and Ruby Hargrove Dedmon.

Her funeral service will be held at 3 p.m., May 1, 2011, at the Sardis Springs Baptist Church with the Rev. Robert Nichols and the Rev. Tim Keenum officiating and Limestone Chapel Funeral Home directing. The body will be at the church one hour before the service. Burial will be in Sardis Springs Baptist Church Cemetery.

Joyce was a loving mother, grandmother, sister and aunt. She was also an active member of the Sardis Springs Baptist Church. Mrs. Carroll worked in retail sales in Limestone County for many years. She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, George Robert "Bobby" Carroll; and her sister, Dulene Dedmon Garner.

She is survived by one daughter, Marcia Carroll Perry and her husband Allen of Decatur; by one son, Barry Carroll and his wife Teresa of Athens; five grandchildren, Laura Beth Carroll Dick and husband Jay of Pelham, Shane Perry, Mary Kathryn Carroll and Spencer Perry, all of Tuscaloosa, and Emily Grace Carroll of Athens; four sisters, Retha Dorning and husband Nolan, Annette Long and husband Jerry, Martha Arnett and husband Ronnie, and Brenda Dedmon, all of Athens, and eight nieces and one nephew.

Pallbearers will be Jimmy Arnett, Ross Hutchinson, Jerry Clemons, Tim Jolley, Johnnie Burgess, Neil Montgomery, Bradley Holland, Bobby Raney, and John Malcolm Stubbard. Honorary pallbearers are Billy Morris, Tim Carroll, Steve Carroll, Ray Browning, Jerry Newby, Michael Smith and Danny Smith.

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## KIMBERLY FORSTER DEDMON



**Dedmon, Kimberly Dawn Forster 51**, began her journey to Heaven on Friday, July 3rd. She was born in Big Timber, Montana on March 15th, 1964 to Ray and Karen Forster. She is survived by her three loving daughters: daughter Megan (Levie), grandson Lani, daughters Caitlin and Lauren Dedmon; also her parents, Ray and

Karen Forster, sister Kelly (Gregg) Taylor, children Jarrod and Shelby, sister Kerry Forster (Lorn Fountain), and sister Randi (Bryan) Bonander, children Jen, Rachel, and Breiyah; surviving uncles Gene Forster, Gary (Kris) Schwarzrock and children Jesse, Frank (Kalista) and family, Kipp (Shayna) Schwarzrock, Duane (Maria) Schwarzrock and children Jeremy, Tim, and Sara Schwarzrock; cousins Tina (Dustin) Wivholm and family, and Judd (Lyndi) Schwarzrock and family. She was preceded in death by her Grandma and Grandpa Forster and Schwarzrock, and uncle Dennis Schwarzrock. Kim grew up in Plentywood, MT and graduated from Plentywood High School in 1982, attended Eastern Montana College (Billings, MT), then graduated from the College of Coiffure Arts, Ltd. (Billings, MT) in 1985 with a Cosmetology Diploma. From there, she moved to Arizona to soak up the sun and leave behind the cold northern winters. Kim's career included a variety of Medical Management and Administration positions. She married Chris Dedmon in 1988 and this marriage resulted in the three greatest joys of her life: daughters Megan, Caitlin, and Lauren. Kim committed most of her love, time, and energy to her family spending countless hours devoting her support to her daughters academic, artistic, and sporting endeavors. Her personal talents and interests included music, cooking, cleaning, yoga and meditation. Kim was an accomplished singer and musician with an angelic voice. She had a unique and skilled way of creating meals that everyone loved and enjoyed. Often she was at peace with her music turned up while cleaning her house. In more recent years, Kim embraced the ideals of yoga and meditation. Since 2007, when her grandson Lani was born, she spent many cherished hours caring for her Lani and being his "Emma." Even though we have lost Kim unexpectedly, she gave her daughters the will and strength to carry through the rest of their lives, as the selfless and caring person she was and taught them to be. We will always have treasured memories of her and she will be dearly missed by all her family and friends. Funeral services will be held on Thursday, July 9, at 11:00 a.m. at Menke Funeral Home, 12420 N. 103rd Ave., Sun City, AZ.

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