



Ann Lehman

January 25, 1936 - December 23, 2014

Ann Marie Lehman, 78, died on Tuesday, December 23, 2014 in Yreka after a brave struggle with cancer.

Ann was born on January 25, 1936 in Los Angeles to John and Ethel Palmatier. In 1955, she married Forrest Vilander in Alhambra, and had two children Karen and Scott. The marriage ended in divorce. In 1969 Ann re-married to George Lehman and together they raised her children in Santa Barbara. Ann worked as an electronic systems layout designer for 30 years in Aerospace, Defense, and Information Technology Industries. George and Ann retired and moved to Fort Jones in 1986 and raised alfalfa on their farm which was located off McAdam's Creek Road. Ann enjoyed a second career working as a cartographer and land management planner for the Klamath National Forest Division of the US Forest Service. Throughout her accomplished career, Ann was particularly known for her ability to solve complex design problems using her sharp mind, keen wit, and competitive spirit. Ann was well liked by her many friends and colleagues at Honeywell, Raytheon, Burroughs, Santa Barbara Research, and the US Forest Service. Ann received many merit awards over her career including one for Employee of the Year.

Ann's passions were varied and always interesting and included: participating in equestrian and motorsports events; attending Giants baseball games; ornamental horticulture; and, most of all, visiting with her many friends wide

and far while driving “anytime or anywhere” in her Mini Cooper named Graham.

Ann is survived by her daughter, Karen Vilander (Married to Chris Dailey) and her son, Scott Vilander (Married to Barbara) and her precious granddaughters, Chandler and Britten. Ann was preceded in death by her husband, George, and her sister, Jean.

Funeral services for Ann will be held at a later date at the Fort Jones Cemetery. Memorial donations may be made in Ann’s name to any of her favorite charities: The Rescue Ranch, Inc. (530) 842-0829; Siskiyou Humane Society (530) 842-4324, Purr-Angels (530)841-0717, Madrone Hospice Inc. 530) 842-3160.