



Darleen Towne

January 24, 1938 - January 17, 2022

Darleen Towne was born on January 24, 1938 in her maternal grandparents' home in McCloud. Her parents, Winferd and Audrey Wolford, then took her home to the farm. She lived and worked there with her siblings until her marriage on December 27, 1955, when she married Bob Towne (the boy next door.) They were married 26 years when he died suddenly on August 3, 1981 of a brain aneurysm.

Darleen started first grade at five years old at McConaughy School. She went there for two years until they closed the school. She then attended Etna Elementary for ½ of the third grade before going to her mother's school at East Fork in Plowmans Valley through the seventh grade. Darleen attended Etna High School, graduating in 1955. She had many hobbies and interests. She loved hunting mushrooms, buck hunting and bass fishing. She also loved gardening flowers and vegetables. She found and painted on heart-shaped rocks. Darleen made many quilts for family and friends, along with shirt jackets. She was an original Can-Can dancer for the Callahan Jubilee for 10 years. She also played guitar and sang. She joined a country band, "Patterson Creek" and played guitar and sang in many places and dances.

Darleen worked for the Etna High School as a cafeteria supervisor and cooked for 27 years. During the summer of 1983, she went to Alaska and cooked and baked for a logging crew. It was a great experience! She also

cooked for the Forest Service during the fire season. She retired from Etna High in 1997.

Darleen loved her family very much. She lost her siblings, Donna, Milton and Dale, her parents Winferd and Audrey, and her husband, Bob. She is survived by her children, Keith (Fern), Roger and Scott (Kerry); her grandchildren Danielle (Shane), Robbie, Logan, Luke (Trina), Levi, Lane, Tiffani (Corey) and Scotty; and seven great grandchildren, Landon, Reese, Shelby, Silas, Gavin, Leslie and Sawyer. Darleen is the last survivor of the original Wolford Ranch (Riverside Farm.)

Memorial services will be scheduled at a later date.

Tribute Wall

JN

“ I am Darlings cousin and stayed with them my freshman year. My ant Audrey had me corned accusing me of introducing my cousin's Melton and Dale of smoking. Darling came through the door and said what's going on. After finding out, she told her Mom, they were smoking before Joe got here! She saved me from her Mothers rath. I had such a good time that year on the Ranch.

Joe Navarra - January 31, 2023 at 12:00 AM

SI

“ Towne Family; So sorry for your loss. I fondly remember playing guitar with Darleen in the 60's. She had many talents and a wonderful sense of humor. Sincere condolences from Jim and Sherma

Sherma Isbell - January 25, 2022 at 12:00 AM

SK

“ Wonderful sense of humor and a heart full of laughter! Will remember you always, Darlene! Sue & Cliff Kettle

Susan Kettle - January 23, 2022 at 12:00 AM

TS

“ Please accept our most heartfelt sympathies for your loss... Our thoughts are with you and your family during this difficult time.

Tribute Store - January 21, 2022 at 12:00 AM

KB

“ Darlene was always so full of life! I will always remember her with a smile.

Kristi Schluter Bigham - January 21, 2022 at 12:00 AM

AT

“ We are deeply sorry for your loss ~ Girdner Funeral Chapel

A Memorial Tree was planted for Darleen Towne - January 20, 2022 at 12:00 AM

LA

“ Loved her. Just an awesome human

LarrySuz Amor - January 20, 2022 at 12:00 AM

KB

“ RIP Darlene!

Karen Ross Brown - January 20, 2022 at 12:00 AM