



Donna Belle Boomgarden

June 9, 1933 - December 6, 2019

Born June 9, 1933 she made her journey to spirit life on December 6, 2019.

Donna Belle was the daughter of LeRoy Andrus and Vida (Dorris) Andrus and a proud Shasta Indian woman. She loved her heritage as a descendant of the Dorris family and a descendant of Indian Kitty.

She lived a life of service to Shasta people, her family, and community.

She lived life by her own rules and at times lived a colorful life. Her work and life experience was vast and she was seldom without employment. She was a bartender, restaurateur, upholsterer, tribal cultural monitor, and often worked for strawberry and potato farmers to make ends meet. Before retirement, she could be found at the Herd Peak Lookout, and usually with fresh baked cookies. She spent many summers at the Tulelake-Butte Valley Fair making Indian Tacos and fry bread for the Butte Valley Indian Council to raise funds for scholarships to local Native students. She was a loving mother, best friend, fishing companion, extraordinary Firebelle, formidable debater, chicken herder, feeder of stray cats, and the best cookie baker.

She is survived by her seven children Veda Jacoby (Kit), Howard Wynant, Roberta Mazurek (Neil), Sami Jo Difuntorum, Terry Hindle, Rick Boomgarden (Charlene), and Sheila Mortenson (Eric), 18 grandchildren and 13 great-

grandchildren.

A Celebration of Life is scheduled for June 14, 2020 in Macdoel, California, with a private graveside service for family members only.

In lieu of flowers, please consider donating to: Shasta Indian Nation <http://www.shastaindiannation.org/> for culture preservation.

Rest in Peace Donna Belle

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“ *A wonderful friend , one I looked up to. She made me laugh, and would gladly take time to talk with me, I will miss her greatly.*

My deepest condolences to every family member, tribal member, and all who loved and revered Donna Belle.

Mike Olson

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“ *Aunt Donnabelle was such a great example to me. She was there when I needed her and taught me some life long lessons. Best of all she taught me how to make the best chili and Indian bread. I will see her again. Until we meet again. I love you Aunt Donnabelle*❤️

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