



## Julie "Bear" Bridwell

December 17, 1957 - September 7, 2010

Julie Bridwell passed away unexpectedly on September 7, 2010, at her home in Woodland, California.

To all her friends and most of her family, she was known as "Bear." Bear was born on December 17, 1957, to Everett and Barbara Bridwell of Gazelle and was the youngest of three. Bear graduated from Yreka High School in 1976 and the police academy in 1981. She worked for the Woodland Police Department for nine years and was the first female police officer. She then worked as a 911 dispatcher for the Sacramento Police Department for the past 20 years.

Bear is survived by her parents, Everett and Barbara of Gazelle; sister, Rebecca "Becky" of Gazelle; brother, Wayne of Galveston, Texas; nephew, Scott Bridwell, of Draper, Utah; and numerous aunts, uncles, and extended adopted family in Woodland.

Graveside services will be held at the Gazelle Cemetery in Gazelle on Saturday, September 18, 2010, at 2 p.m. A celebration of Bear's life will be held afterwards at the Gazelle Grange. Anyone who wishes to help with food please contact Bev Morgan 680-1474 or Cathy Preszler 435-2338.

Bear had a deep love for animals and rescuing them. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to Rescue Ranch, PO Box 1192, Yreka, CA 96097 or charity of choice.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Miss Julie was a bright light in a dark world. I miss you Julie Bear.....*



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