



Rhonda J. DeVaux

July 20, 2014

Age 67, a resident of Tijeras since 2009, died Sunday, July 20, 2014. She is survived by her husband, Roger, of Tijeras; sons, Randy DeVaux and wife Angela of Myrtle Beach, SC; Ryan DeVaux of Lake Elsinore, CA; grandchildren, Madison DeVaux and Meghan DeVaux of Myrtle Beach, SC; mother, Helen Nahrwold of Fort Wayne, Indiana; sisters, Brenda Schuller of Woodburn, Indiana; Carol Nahrwold of Fort Wayne, Indiana and brother, John M. Nahrwold of New Haven, Indiana. Rhonda graduated from Purdue University with honors in 1969 and retired from Irvine Unified School District in 2009 as the School Nutrition Director after 16 years. Prior to that she was Director of School Food Services programs in La Habra, California; Greenwood, SC; New Albany-Floyd County Consolidated School District, IN; and Wilmington, NC; for a total of 33 years service managing school lunch programs. She was active in both state and national School Nutrition Associations (SNA) wherever she worked and was president of the California School Nutrition Association in 2007-2008. In 2009 she was named National Outstanding Director of the year by the national SNA as well as received numerous achievement awards over the years. After retirement she became active in her church, in Follow the Sun Bible clubs, in the New Mexico school nutrition organizations and worked part time for the state PED to implement the latest federal guidelines for school lunch programs. Services will be Wednesday July 30, 2014, 2:00 p.m. at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 5 Entrada Del Norte Edgewood, NM. Should friends desire, memorial

contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society or Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in lieu of flowers.

Services in Fort Wayne, Indiana:

Services will be held Friday, August 8, 2014 at 3:00 in the afternoon at St Peter's Lutheran Church, 7710 E State Blvd in Fort Wayne, IN prior to internment in the St Peters Lutheran Church cemetery. Should friends desire, memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society or St Peter's Lutheran Church building fund in lieu of flowers.

Previous Events

Funeral Service

JUL **30**. 2:00 PM (MT)

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church
5 Entrada Del Norte
Edgewood, NM

Tribute Wall

JS

“ Dear Roger and family
I was devastated to hear of Rhonda's passing. As a vendor it was an honor to call on her. She was so open and friendly to me, I had so much respect for her and so looked forward to seeing her at meetings and conferences.
Our industry has lost a wonderful loving person.
God Bless all of you.

Justin Smith

Justin Smith - August 18, 2014 at 02:47 PM

SS

“ It was such a sad shock to hear of Rhonda's passing. She helped me start my career, was always available as a friend and a mentor and was a true inspiration in every fashion. Sally Spero

Sally Spero - August 08, 2014 at 08:51 AM

DH

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Deborah Hoy - August 07, 2014 at 11:56 AM



“ Rhonda is such a gentle lady, truly caring and always so kind with a ready smile. How lucky are we who knew her!

Judy Hirigoyen - August 04, 2014 at 09:05 PM

BF

“ I am so very sorry to hear of your loss. Rhonda was a wonderful, caring person, and I fondly remember her from grade school at St. Peter's Lutheran School MANY years ago. She and her sisters are all very gracious, caring, charming and intelligent individuals, and I always felt they 'got those' assets from their wonderful mom, Helen Nahrwold. My deepest sympathy to Roger and children, and to Helen Nahrwold and family. It looks like Rhonda had a wonderful life. Cherish the memories of her well-lived life.



Barbara Langley Fischer, and my Dad, Walter Langley

Barbara Langley Fischer - August 03, 2014 at 10:05 AM



“ I have many lovely memories about Rhonda. She shared with me her beautiful new home in New Mexico and making the transition to semi retirement. She always had time to say Hello and check how I was doing. I am so sad to learn of her passing. We have lost such a special person who contributed greatly to the school meal programs as well as her caring for all who had contact with her.

Sharon Briel, RD

Sharon Briel - August 02, 2014 at 09:35 PM

BS

“ I am devastated and disconsolate at this loss. Rhonda was an amazing person who contributed to the lives of so many. It as an honor to call her a friend.

Barry Sackin - August 01, 2014 at 09:53 AM



“ A sympathy card was purchased for the family of Rhonda J. DeVaux.



July 29, 2014 at 11:02 PM



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Linda Williams - July 29, 2014 at 10:31 AM



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Linda Williams - July 29, 2014 at 08:46 AM



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Linda Williams - July 28, 2014 at 08:12 PM

MA

“ Rhonda was a sweet, beautiful and classy lady. She was always smiling and always had such a positive attitude. She will be missed. Our thoughts and prayers go out to Roger and her family. God Bless,
Steve and Marcie Shaw

Marcie - July 28, 2014 at 05:10 PM

LW

“ I have had the pleasure of not only knowing Rhonda through doing business with her but also of being able to have traveled the world with both her & Roger for the past 10 years. Rhonda has spoken in all of the countries that we have visited about child nutrition. She is a beautiful and graceful lady that I will miss a lot on our trips. Roger, my condolences to you and your entire family. Linda Williams



Linda Williams - July 28, 2014 at 02:27 PM

GS

“ When Rhonda got involved with something, she immediately knew how to make it better. Not only with the joy and gladness with which she approached everything, but she had a knack for seeing how things could be done better. Rhonda did so much to help our Bible Club ministry serve Jesus and the children better--whether it was with her teaching, stuffed animals she made the children, organizing the paperwork for club, beautifully hosting our Appreciation Dinner--she was amazing. We will miss her so much. Rhonda, can't wait to see you again in Heaven. We love you. Gail Salazar

Gail Salazar - July 28, 2014 at 12:11 PM

CW

“ Rhonda was a gracious lady, very talented, outstanding leader, amazing mentor and a wonder friend.
She was a positive influence in my life. I will be forever blessed to have had such a relationship with her.
Our condolence to Roger & Family.
With love & care,
Charmane & David Williams

Charmane Williams - July 27, 2014 at 01:13 PM

SH

“ Rhonda always had a smile and warm way of making people feel comfortable. Her vibrancy and outlook on life whether it be daily tasks, preparing a dinner party, or sewing her American Girl Doll clothes was inspiring. She amazed me at much she gave and served in the church and for nonprofit organizations. Her energy and attitude of "we're not letting this slow us down," were inspirational. The wonderful, special experiences you have on all your travels and journeys both here and abroad will comfort and be sweet memories. Blessings and prayers for you and your family, Sheryl and Barry Hess

Sheryl & Barry Hess - July 26, 2014 at 11:50 AM

SB

“ Roger: I am so very sorry to hear of Rhonda's passing. She was such a gracious and generous lady who shared so much of herself with others. The many years that I knew her through child nutrition activities and the trips that we shared around the world always impressed me with her genuine love of the people she met. I send you and your family my sincere condolences and prayers. Shirley Brown

Shirley Brown - July 25, 2014 at 01:35 PM

MD

“ Marlyn D. purchased the Floor Plant for Sympathy for the family of Rhonda J. DeVaux.



Marlyn D. - July 24, 2014 at 07:44 PM

EL

“ Rhonda was one of the classiest and most dignified ladies I have had the pleasure of doing business with and serving with on committees in the California Child Nutrition community. She had a positive impact on many lives. Thanks to her family for sharing her. Erik Lenocker

Erik Lenocker - July 24, 2014 at 07:16 AM

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Tony Roberts - July 23, 2014 at 10:45 PM

TR

“ *Nominator's note - Rhonda has one quality that defines her persona and contributes greatly to her success. It encompasses the way she treats people with respect, listens to and values their input, the way she tries to involve and provide opportunity for everyone. She is a lady of virtue and distinction, and the people she works with (work or CSNA) react to those attributes by working extra hard so they will never let her down. This all encompassing quality can be summarized in one single word – Grace.*

Tony Roberts

Tony Roberts - July 23, 2014 at 10:26 PM

TF

“ *Prayers for your family. Nate, Beth, Nathan, Morgan, and Anna Reynolds.*

The Reynolds Family. - July 23, 2014 at 09:56 PM

MF

“ Roger, my deepest sympathy goes to you and your family at this time. Rhonda was an amazing woman who truly loved everyone (and was loved by everyone), and she had such a servant's heart. My life has been truly blessed because I got to know her. The selfish part of me still wants her to be here with us, but knowing she is in Heaven now and is no longer in pain is a tremendous comfort.

Melody Fette - July 23, 2014 at 04:00 PM

LR

“ On behalf of the FRENCH Family of Companies we want to express to you our deepest condolences.

Luke Rogers - July 23, 2014 at 10:59 AM