



Helen Huntzinger

October 24, 1993 - November 5, 2006

Helen Ruth Huntzinger, beloved daughter of Lee and Mark Huntzinger, cherished older sister to Gray and Sarah Huntzinger, friend and loved by all who knew her. Helen passed away Sunday, November 5, 2006, despite the best efforts of the many doctors who tried desperately to save her following a brief, acute illness. God called her home.

At the time of her passing, Helen was enrolled as an eighth grade student at Berrendo Middle School, and attending Goddard High School half-time where she excelled in honors courses. She loved her biology and art classes, and delighted in her afternoons at Berrendo where she could relax with her friends and where she was proud to play on the football team as a defensive end. Active and outgoing, Helen loved to kayak and ski. She loved to swim; even when it was too cold for everyone else, Helen stayed in the water. Her first and abiding passion was for horses; she first sat on a horse before she was a year old, and wanted to have her own horse every day of her life. She finally received a horse for her twelfth birthday, and was within a few weeks of having her horse at her home, which was her lifelong dream.

Helen was on October 24, 1993 born in San Diego, California, where she spent the first few years of her life, then moved to Elephant Butte, New Mexico, where she attended elementary school. She started second grade when she was 5 years old. When she graduated from fifth grade, Helen came home to school, and was homeschooled with her brother Gray until she moved to Roswell in December 2005, and reentered the public school system.

While being homeschooled, Helen traveled across the country with her family, camping, kayaking and visiting extended family members. Taos was her favorite place to ski, because it has the steepest, most challenging terrain. Helen was never afraid to take on difficult challenges, and she always excelled, no matter what obstacles were in her way. At the time of her passing, Helen hadn't yet decided on a career; she was excited about marine biology and several other possible careers. The whole world lay ahead of her, and she was eager to live her life. She was anticipating the birth of her mare's foal at the time she passed away. She and her friend Lenore Snowden spent many hours planning the horse farm they hoped to own together.

Helen is survived by her parents, brother and sister, grandfather Edward Hargis of Centreville, Virginia, grandparents John and Caroline Huntzinger of Slaughter Beach, Delaware, aunt Sudie Hargis of Juneau, Alaska, uncles and aunts John and Margaret Huntzinger of Woodbridge, Virginia, Hugh and Margaret Huntzinger of Denville, New Jersey, her two horses, Sienna and Buddy, and Sienna's new foal, which will be born any day. She will be deeply missed by all her friends in Roswell, Elephant Butte, Truth or Consequences, and San Diego. We know she is with God in Heaven. She is mourned here on Earth without measure.

Viewing and visitation will be Thursday evening, November 9, 2006, from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Anderson-Bethany Funeral Home, 2609 South Main, Roswell, New Mexico. Funeral services will be on Friday, November 10, 2006, at 1:00 p.m. at First Presbyterian Church, 400 West 3rd Street, Roswell, New Mexico, followed by burial at the family home. All are welcome to attend.

Donations in memory of Helen can be made to the Assurance Home and James Ranch Youth Shelter, 1000 East 18th Street, Roswell, New Mexico, 88201, (505) 624-1780.

Services are under the direction of Anderson-Bethany Funeral Home and Crematory.

Tribute Wall



“ *Helen Huntzinger*

December 29, 2022 at 05:26 PM



“ *I was taken by surprise when I read the obituaries and saw Helen's name there. My heart cried at the thought of what your family must be going through. My prayers are with you offering up strength to endure all that you have to go through. Courage to face another day. Health to keep memories and friendship from others to help you on your daily path.*

God bless you Kathy Reid

Kathy Reid (Nurse Kathy) - November 27, 2006 at 10:21 AM



“ *I can't even begin to tell you how sorry I was to hear this. I don't know what to say. Helen was a great person and I loved being able to know her. I remember playing with her and Gray when you were going thru your home purchase here. They were so young and sweet and easy to be with. Then seeing her taking care of her siblings while you were busy going thru the process of selling your home here! She was a big help to you in everything. I always enjoyed seeing you and the kids! This is just too hard to believe. I wish I was there to be with you. Just know my thoughts and prayers are with you during this most difficult time. You are loved and thought of always! Sheila*

Sheila Stagner - November 21, 2006 at 01:29 PM

HH

“ Dear Family, The staff at TCES and SEC will keep your family in our prayers.

Hank Hopkins and the staff at TCES and SEC

Hank Hopkins - November 13, 2006 at 02:08 PM

CN

“ We are so deeply sorry for your great loss. Cort and Helen were classmates in the 2nd grade in Mrs. Stouts class. I remember visiting the class once and Helen had lost her doll, I was so amazed at how all the kids joined in the search until her beloved doll was found . Our prayers are with you. Nellie Smith

Cort Smith & Nellie - November 13, 2006 at 10:01 AM

BR

“ Deepest Christian sympathy from all the Rigby Family - Pat, Marnie, Mike, Alice, Susan, and Bill

Bill and Susan Rigby - November 11, 2006 at 09:05 AM

BS

“ I did not know Helen but my heart goes out to you and your family my step grandmother passed this week and I know nothing can comfort you but the love of others and knowing she is with God now

Beth Sheyka - November 10, 2006 at 03:26 PM

MB

“ You are in our heart and prayers, may Gof be with you at this time in your life.

I remember Helen sitting in our front yard a few days after the hail storm in October, 2004. I will never forget her beautiful and bright smile. She was playing with Gray and Sara.

May God bless you all.

Mary, B.J. and Autumn Bjorklund - November 10, 2006 at 12:36 PM

RF

“ I'm so Sorry, she was one of my friends I played with her on the team. She was a really good football player.

Rylin Franco - November 10, 2006 at 09:51 AM

MH

“ God bless you at this time and always. My prayers are with you.

Mrs. Harris - November 10, 2006 at 09:48 AM

CD

“ I'm sorry for your loss and my prayers are with you

Cindy De.La.O - November 10, 2006 at 09:48 AM

PS

“ you will be missed

paul sorensen - November 10, 2006 at 09:44 AM

AR

“ Helen Huntzinger

Audriana Romero - November 10, 2006 at 09:27 AM

JJ

“ I read of Helen's passing in the Las Cruces Sun News (my hometown). Please accept my condolences. It is apparent she is very much loved and will be missed even more. I hope that in writing this, you are somewhat comforted that others, though they didn't personally know Helen, mourn with and for you.

Julia Jenkins - November 10, 2006 at 08:40 AM

PA

“ Our hearts are hurting in sympathy for Helen's family. Our prayers are with all of you.

Patricia and Dave Armstrong - November 09, 2006 at 06:40 PM

MB

“ We are so sorry to learn of your loss. Please know that our thoughts and prayers are with you. Gary & Barbara Bakken

Mr & Mrs. Gary Bakken - November 09, 2006 at 05:52 PM