



Marla Denise Haydon

December 2, 1950 - October 9, 2023

Marla Denise Haydon passed away October 9, 2023, peacefully at home with her daughters and two of her nieces by her side.

Marla was born on December 2, 1950, in Moberly, Missouri to Ben & Leta Wills. She is preceded in death by her parents, Ben Jack Wills and Leta Lorraine Wills, as well as three brothers, Richard "Dickie" Wills, Joe Williams, and Gary Williams, as well as two sisters, Karen Uhrich, and Rosalie Eaker. Marla is survived by her husband of 35 years, Francis Charles Haydon, daughters, Tanessa Skinner and husband Tommy of Artesia, NM, Tonya "Nikki" Brown of Artesia, NM, and Jeanne Jarvis and husband Keith of Lexington, VA, six grandchildren, Colt Sallee and his girlfriend Victoria Williamson of Artesia, NM, Morgan Brown and wife Kalie of Picacho, NM, Kaitlyn Chesser of Artesia, NM, Kamryn Kelsey and fiancé Ben Hendrix of Artesia, NM, Brenton Jarvis of Lexington, VA, and Daniel Jarvis and wife Tiffany of Naples, FL. She is also survived by three great-grandchildren, Paisley Sallee (9), Ezekiel Ramon Chesser (10 months), and Madalee Becker (10), all of Artesia, NM, three sisters, Evadeen Smith and husband Don of Centralia, MO, Jackie Branham and husband Bill of Centralia, MO, and Shirley "Elaine" Wills of Centralia, MO, as well as one brother, Jim Williams and wife Cheryl of Roswell, NM. She is also survived by numerous nieces and nephews.

Marla moved to Roswell, NM from Paris, MO when she was 12 years old. She graduated from Goddard High School in 1968. She went to work for Levi

Strauss from 1970 until 1998 when the factory in Roswell, NM was shut down. She then made the decision to go to college at Eastern New Mexico University-Roswell where she obtained a degree in Medical Assisting, then received her state certification as a Certified Medical Assistant and Phlebotomist. She worked at ENMMC in the lab as a phlebotomist, and then went to work for Dr. Moorhead as a CMA, until his retirement, then worked for Dr. Margaret Denton until she closed her practice, and finally for Kymera Medical Group, from where she retired in 2016.

Marla married Francis "Chuck" Haydon on October 16, 1987. They would have celebrated their 36th wedding anniversary this year.

Marla attended Waymaker Church for many years where she gained many wonderful friends. Marla enjoyed bowling, which she was a part of the Women's League for over 30 years, again gaining many life-long friends. Anyone who met Marla came to love her giving and loving spirit. She loved her God and served him faithfully. Marla was and will always be loved by so many, and she will be missed dearly by all her loved ones, both family and friends. Marla loved helping others as much as she could. After retirement, she began enjoying painting ceramics and sewing. Everyone around her received a gift that she had painted or sewn.

There will be a viewing for Marla Haydon Thursday, October 12, 2023 from 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM at Anderson Bethany Funeral Home. Funeral services will be held Friday, October 13, 2023, at 11:00 AM at Waymaker Church located at 202 S. Sunset, Roswell, NM, officiated by Pastor Joel Wood, and under the direction of Anderson Bethany Funeral Home, with graveside services to follow at South Park Cemetery.

Pallbearers will be Colt Sallee, Morgan Brown, Tommy Skinner, Joe Felts, Mark Scates, and GT Lewis. Honorary Pallbearers will be Billy Ray Parker, Michael Gutierrez, Anthony Martinez, Paul Mason, all her nephews, as well as her best friend of over 50-years, Virginia Parker.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to the American Diabetes Association, otherwise, potted plants are welcome.

Tribute Wall



“ *My condolences to the family.*

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“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Marla Denise Haydon.*



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“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Marla Denise Haydon.*

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