



## Judy Nauta

April 19, 1941 - September 1, 2024

Judy Nauta, 83 years old, died of cancer on September 1, 2024, at her home with her family by her side.

Judy was born in Laurens, Iowa in 1941 to John “Harold” Moon and Beulah Lonning-Moon. The family settled in Denver, CO, where Judy and her half-sister Carolyn grew up. Judy graduated from North High School in 1959. Judy married Ronald Smith on August 22, 1959. They had six kids together and were divorced on January 22, 1979. Judy married Raymond Nauta on January 22, 1983, and they moved to Wellington, CO, 30+ years ago.

Judy created a beautiful life filled with travel, family, and numerous friendships. She found happiness in watching professional sports and cheering on her grandkids in their games. Her passion for horses led her to assist others in buying, selling, and training them. Later in life, she used those skills for a career in real estate. Judy was a dedicated member of the Jehovah’s Witnesses, devoting her time and energy to help people learn the Bible. Judy was known for her hard work, loyalty, generosity, faith, and her conviction to care for her family and friends. She saw humor in almost any situation and loved to laugh.

She is survived by her seven children: Shawna Lowell, Michael Smith, Michelle Flores, Wendy Conquest, Nancy Cartwright, and Suzanne Mayfield,

and her stepdaughter Ginger (Nauta) Latham.

Judy's family grew even larger when she opened her home and heart to three Vietnamese young women, providing them with friendship, a place to live, and financial support.

Judy also leaves behind 14 grandchildren, 17 great-grandchildren, 1 great-great grandchild, and many beloved members of her extended Vietnamese family.

Judy is preceded in death by her husband Raymond Nauta, her sister Carolyn Mayo, and her granddaughter Raschelle Shaffer.

Judy will be deeply missed by all who knew her. She was a wonderful wife, mother and grandmother. Judy will be remembered for her beautiful smile and the joy she brought to those around her.

Memorial for Judy Nauta and Graveside service for Raymond and Judy Nauta. A memorial will be held on Saturday, October 12, 2024 from 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm at the Drake Centre, 802 W. Drake Rd, Fort Collins, CO 80526. Immediately following the talk, a pot-luck reception will take place in the same room. A graveside service to bury both Raymond and Judy Nauta's urns will be held on Sunday, October 13, 2024 at the Virginia Dale Community Church Cemetery, Livermore, CO 80536, at 1:00 pm. The service may be accessed via Zoom. The meeting ID: 836 3662 0521, PASSWORD: 191400.

# Tribute Wall

AW

“ I was just thinking about Judy a few weeks ago. I worked with her over 45 years ago at the Farmer Rancher sale barn. She was a ray of sunshine, always a smile! You have my sympathies.

Amy Wimmer - October 03, 2024 at 03:13 PM

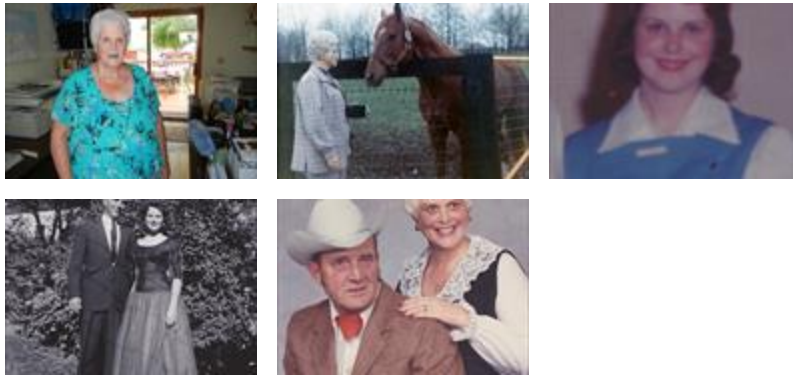
GM

“ Condolences to the families and friends Judy leaves behind. Judy will always be remembered just as her family has written about her in the obituary. My memories are from 75 years ago a a dear friend at North High School in Denver. We had such good times together. I love the pictures of her on this memorial.

Gayle Moyle - September 23, 2024 at 11:17 PM

MI

“ 21 files added to the album Judy Nauta



Michelle - September 21, 2024 at 01:30 PM

JH

“ *Such a loving and caring individual who touched the lives of so many. All my Family members benefited from her love and generosity in physical, emotional, and especially spiritual ways that we could have never repaid. Didn't matter to her who you were, she always had an open place in her heart for you. She knew hundreds of Brothers & Sisters. Soon she'll have millions more to get to know. Miss that smile right now; that wit. But not for long: that New World hope based on the Bible's words was as important to her as anything could be. Can't wait to hear that voice again, that laugh. It won't be too long.*

*Love, Jim Harker and Fam on behalf of Fred, Pat, Becca and Steve & Marnie.*

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**Jim Harker** - September 07, 2024 at 09:34 PM

JC

“ *Juliet Chavez lit a candle in memory of Judy Nauta*



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**Juliet Chavez** - September 06, 2024 at 10:47 PM