



Pamela Irene Hawley

September 26, 1943 - November 26, 2014

Pamela Irene Hawley, 71 of Ferndale, MI, passed away Wednesday, November 26, 2014 in Naples, Florida while visiting a lifelong friend, after a brief and sudden illness. She was surrounded and comforted by the love of her life partner, children and family. Pam was born in Waco, Texas on September 26, 1943 to Kenneth Arthur and Virginia Barbara (Shotwell) Thompson. She was raised in Royal Oak, Michigan, lived in Portland, Oregon for many years, and later returned to her home state of Michigan.

She was a multitalented artist, highly skilled in painting and jewelry making. Her art reflected her love of colors, nature and beauty. Pam was wildly creative and had a keen design eye for fashion, antiques, etc. She used her talents in her work at Sassy Lady clothing store in Portland, Oregon and most recently at Jeff Fontana Designs in Royal Oak, Michigan. She was passionate about global and local issues and became involved in numerous causes over the years.

Pam appreciated all things in nature, especially the trees and wildlife at her beloved family property on Clam Lake in Northern Michigan. Throughout her life she spent summers at the lake enjoying the cottage, entertaining friends and family around the campfire or on the dock, or lazing away sunny days on her favorite water mattress. At the property she created elaborate fairy houses and continued the tradition of fairy rings with her grandchildren and the

children of family and friends. She was a champion for the water quality of the lake and the loons; and she was a founding member of the Friends of Clam Lake.

She was also known for her free spirit, kind and loving nature, and vivacious personality. She highly valued family and friends, and developed a huge network of deep relationships throughout the country through her supportive phone calls and letters. Her great listening skills, wisdom and infectious laugh will be greatly missed by a tremendous number of people.

She is survived by her high school sweetheart and life partner of 30 years Timothy Butts of Ferndale, MI, one son, Patrick Hawley of Costa Mesa, CA, two daughters, Robin (Brian) Hawley Crumrine of Portland, OR, Mindy (Matthew Joppich) Hawley of Maple City, MI, one sister, Megan (Peter) Raphael of Traverse City, MI, four grandchildren, Finnigan Hawley-Blue, Elise Hawley Crumrine, Peace and Odin Hawley Joppich, one niece Alexandra Raphael, and one nephew Ryan (Jamie) Raphael. Preceded in death by her mother, Virginia Thompson, Pam can now join her and dance around the fairy rings.

The Celebration of Pamela's life was held at on Sunday, January 18, 2015 at the Birmingham Unitarian Church. 38651 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills, MI.

There will be a second casual celebration in Portland, Oregon for the people who were in Pam's life for the 20 years she lived in Portland. It will be held on Sunday, February 8, 2015 at 3:00 pm at The Slide Inn restaurant at 2348 SE Ankeny, Portland, Oregon 97214. There will be lite hors devours and a no-host bar. Please come and share memories of Pam.

In lieu of flowers, donations in her name to the Grass River Natural Area, P.O.

Box 231, Bellaire, MI 49615 or online at www.grassriver.org/donations. would be appreciated. The family requests bright attire and Pam's jewelry (if they have some) to celebrate her life!

Arrangements are being handled by Shikany's Bonita Funeral Home

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

FEB 8. 3:00 PM (PT)

The Slide Inn Restaurant
2348 SE Ankeny
Portland, OR 97214

Tribute Wall



“ *Pamela Irene Hawley*

October 09, 2023 at 03:40 AM



“ *Don and Sally purchased the Heart's Companion Bouquet for the family of Pamela Irene Hawley.*



Don and Sally - January 16, 2015 at 04:52 PM



“ *Pam and I have been friends since high school and although we have not been able to see each other these past few years we have kept in touch by phone. We could sometimes talk for an hour or two, and always pick up where we left off. I will miss her terribly, she was one of the warmest, most compassionate people I knew. She had a wonderful fun loving side too, I have a lot of crazy memories from the days of our youth.*

I am so sorry for your loss, I know her passing has left huge whole in your heart as it has in mine

Sally Lawrence

Sally Lawrence - January 15, 2015 at 06:46 AM

ND

“ Pam called me just before she left for Florida to visit her lifelong friend Joanne Weston, who is battling a neurological disorder. I said to her, "That's so nice of you to travel all that way to see her again." She answered, "It's not being nice. It's what you do when you care about someone." That was Pam! Not only a beautiful person on the outside, but beautiful inside too. She was everything that is so lovingly spelled out in her obituary, and more. Life just won't be the same without her. Love and miss you, Pam.

nancy dendy - January 06, 2015 at 04:11 PM

LW

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Linda White - January 04, 2015 at 06:09 PM

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Linda White - January 04, 2015 at 06:07 PM

LW

“Pammy and I were friends in high school and were college roommates. We drove to our high school reunions together and called each other and spent time talking about her jewelry, our spiritual beliefs, and life's experiences. She was non-judgmental, loving, filled with joy and so very creative. I have two of her beautiful necklaces: one I commissioned, and we spent hours picking out the cabochons based on color, shape, size, and healing properties. When I received it in the mail, she'd included a note with every one of the cabochons names and properties. The second necklace I bought off her neck. I loved what she wore to the 50th reunion, and I asked if it was for sale. It became available right then. I will miss the deep explorations of life, both psychologically and spiritually, that we had. We told each other the "truth" and even discussed what underwear brands were the best. I love her fairies and her flowers and I love her refusal to become a techie. She had no use for impersonal interactions or social media. She wanted you right there. I knew Tim when he and Pam dated in high school. I visited Pam and her family in Portland. Obviously Pam and Tim were a perfect match and reunited years later. They loved each other dearly and were there for each other. A very big chunk of my heart has been ripped out, and it will be replaced with a piece of Pam's heart. Pam carries part of my heart with her into the spirit world. She will always be a part of me.

Linda White - January 04, 2015 at 06:00 PM

MM

“ Who ever wrote this Obituary was right on with Pam. I just found out about her passing today, thanks to the kindness and thoughtfulness of Pam's daughter Robin who reached out and called me to tell me this devastating news. I received a phone call from Pam years ago, as she was looking for away to print her beloved art onto cards to share with her family and friends. She became a client and a friend immediately upon the first conversation. As time went by and I had contact with many of her dearest friends they all said the same thing about her, " she is you friend until the end." When my Mother passed away 2 1/2 years ago, Pam stood in that gap and supported me and encouraged me. I feel as if I have lost two mothers now. The loss of Pam I know is being felt by many people who cherished her in their lives. I pray for God's healing hand and touch in each and every person's life whose loss is truly incomprehensible through this tragedy. I wish I was better with words. I thank God he brought Pam into my life and I will always treasure her support, encouragement and honesty that she flooded into my life.

Martha Moss - December 18, 2014 at 02:21 PM

JD

How ironic! After Pam passed, I called Martha Moss to get more notecards for myself and my Daughter Kim. Whenever I wrote thank you notes, Pam was always on my mind. They made me happy. I even received a sympathy card from Martha as she knew how much I loved Pam, my Sister-inLife, I called her. What a beautiful obituary!

Jacque Davis - January 01, 2015 at 06:52 PM

RF

“ *Very, very nice obituary. I didn't know Pam well. I met her through her daughter Mindy. I'm so glad Pam joined us the night we went to Menopause the Musical! Mindy and another friend Geri Valentine came downstate. Pam and I both live in Ferndale. We all went to the musical and out after for more fun.*

Thanks for a fun memory Pam. I still hear you laughing at the musical.

May you find peace and your family and friends find peace. Hugs.

Roni Fare

Roni Fare - December 10, 2014 at 09:27 AM

JW

“ *My dear friend, you are missed and loved by so many I feel blessed to have shared 66 years together*

Rest in peace fairy princess!

joanne weston - December 03, 2014 at 12:08 PM