

# Virginia Fredell Welte Hansen 1962- 2007



COTTONWOOD - Virginia Fredell Hansen left on her final journey from her home in Shasta Co., CA on July 18th, 2007.

Ginny was born October 31, 1962, in Berkeley, CA to W. Paul Fredell and Helen "Lana" Lucking Fredell, and from the age of 5 lived all her life in the Central Valley .

She grew up in Modesto and graduated from Grace M. Davis High School , later attending Modesto Junior College . She married Gary Robert Welte in 1982 and had two treasured daughters, Samantha Alison and Kara Lynne.

She became a fire fighter, and an Emergency Medical Technician in 1991. In 1998, she became a Paramedic, which was her proud occupation until May of this year. Ginny was greatly loved by many in her field; known as "Mom" by many of her coworkers, she was always willing to give a hug and a back rub to any and all that needed it. This sense of nurturing led to a hobby/second career as a Certified Massage Therapist. Ginny loved to heal, and this was simply another avenue to do so. She also volunteered her time at the California Highway Patrol offices in Red Bluff and Willows.

In 1995 Ginny and James Daniel (JD) Hansen were united in marriage, and in 2000, she and JD moved to the Redding area.

Ginny was immensely talented artistically; at various times she did crewel, cross stitch, and had been knitting, making a baby dress for her newest niece. She was an avid scrapbooker, loved gardening, golfing, models trains and travel. She was for a long time an active member of the Society for Creative Anachronism and made wonderful period costumes.

In 2005 Ginny was diagnosed with breast cancer which reoccurred this spring. During hospitalizations she was visited by many valued friends and colleagues, including those who were able to take her up to the roof to see the fireworks on the 4th of July. But it was her wish to return to her and JD's beloved home and their dogs.

Ginny leaves a large and loving family, including her husband JD: children Samantha Tova and husband Adam of Hilmar; and Kara Breedlove and her husband Coltt, both Airman 1st Class', USAF; father Paul Fredell of Palm Desert and his wife Carole; mother Helen "Lana" Fredell of Ojai; stepchildren Matthew Hansen of Redding, Brian Hansen, and his wife Sandy of Ventura, and Jonathan Hansen of Chico, grandmother Helen Sieger of Ojai, and former husband Gary Welte. She is also survived by her sister Heather Sciuto, husband Brett, and their daughter Madison; and her brother Andy, partner Grace and their daughter Abigayle; and she was the

adored and adoring grandmother of Christian and Nicholas Tova. She also had many cousins, aunts and uncles.

Her "extended family" in the Emergency Services includes American Medical Response, the CHP, Reach Air Ambulance, ER staff at: Doctor's Medical Center, Modesto, and Shasta Regional Medical Center, Redding, Modesto Police Department, Ceres Police Department, and Redding Police Department.

In lieu of flowers please make donations to Virginia Hansen fund Wells Fargo 830 E Cypress St. Redding, CA 96003.

A celebration of life will be held July 26th at Win-River Casino, 2100 Redding Rancheria Dr. beginning at 6pm. Published in the Redding Record Searchlight on