

## Margaret Anna Paulich



Margaret Anna (Steinberger) Paulich, age 78, passed away on June 4, 2020 at Parkview Medical Center in Pueblo, Colorado. She was born August 28, 1941, at the Miners Hospital in Raton, New Mexico to Tony and Anna (Lojek) Steinberger. Margaret lived her first 2 years of life with her parents in Johnson Mesa, New Mexico. Then, the family moved to a farmstead south of Capulin, New Mexico, where she learned the value of hard work and dedication. She attended the Capulin School for several years then moved on to attend school in Des Moines, New Mexico where she graduated in 1959.

Upon graduation, Margaret moved to Raton, New Mexico and proceeded to work as a legal secretary for several law firms in Raton for a few years and furthered her education by taking night classes. During her time in Raton she met Phillip Paulich, and they were married on August 21, 1965 in Raton, New Mexico.

Following marriage, they moved to the Paulich Ranch in Trinchera, Colorado and proceeded to raise their three children, Dennis, Rhonda, and Marsha.

Margaret lived her life as a devoted Ranch wife and homemaker. She had a love of all animals and did all she could to ensure that care was provided to all of God's creatures. She was an avid seamstress and made cheerleading uniforms and costumes for her children as well as their classmates at the Branson School over the years. She also made the ties and bridal dresses for her daughter Marsha's wedding in 2007. She enjoyed crafts and was a member of the Branson Craft Club, as well as a member of the Branson-Trinchera hiking group. She was a 4-H Leader for Las Animas County for over 25 years and during that time was awarded the 4-H Leader of the Year. She competed on the Coffee Cup bowling league for over 10 years at the Trinidad Lanes.

Some of her favorite things included bowling, road trips, listening to and attending Colorado Rockies games, as well as listening to KRTN Radio on a daily basis.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her brother (Frank Steinberger), and her first daughter Brenda Kay (died in infancy). She is survived by her loving husband Phillip Leroy Paulich, son Dennis Dean Paulich (companion Lynise Paige Packer) of Trinchera, CO, daughter Rhonda Jane Morgan (David) of Hasty, CO, daughter Marsha Jean Thorson (Eric) of Crested Butte, CO, grandchildren Holly Ann Morgan and Weston Blake Morgan of Hasty, CO, as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

Visitation will be held on Tuesday, June 9, 2020 from 3pm-8pm at the Comi Funeral Home Chapel, Trinidad, Colorado.

Private family services will be held Wednesday, June 10, 2020 at 10am at the Comi Funeral Home Chapel, due to the Covid-19 restrictions.

Graveside Services, with interment, will take place at the Johnson Mesa New Mexico Cemetery where the public is invited to attend beginning at 1pm. Arrangements are being handled by the Comi Funeral Home.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Margaret's name to the Noah's Ark Animal Welfare Association, Trinidad, Colorado.