



Donna Lois Butts

March 27, 1944 - December 20, 2022

Donna Lois Butts, 78, of Visalia, California passed away on December 20, 2022 at Saint Agnes Hospital in Fresno, California.

Donna was born to Georgia Opal Speck and Francis Lee Speck on March 27, 1944 in Downey California. She was predeceased by both of her parents and her sister Sharon House. She is survived by her husband of 44 years, Gary Butts, her sister, Rosalie Reed, her brother, Jerry Speck and numerous nieces and nephews.

Donna grew up in Strathmore, Ca. She graduated from Strathmore High School, attended 2 years at Porterville Junior College, achieved a bachelor's degree from Cal State Fullerton, and a Masters degree in Library Science from San Jose State.

Donna worked at several jobs throughout her life. Her first was as a teacher. Next, she worked as a librarian for 15 years, both in Tulare County and in Santa Clara County. She has always been a supporter and defender of libraries. She loved to read to nieces and nephews and her favorite job in a library was to conduct children's reading programs. She became an avid quilter in her late 30's. She started a small business in 2000, Yosemite Bearworks, making collectible Teddy Bears and winning an international award in 2004. One of

her missions in life was to make quilts and teddy bears for as many newborns in her family and Gary's as she could.

A short, private Service Of Remembrance service for family and invited others will be held 2 PM Saturday, January 7, 2023 at Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel in Visalia, California. The family requests that you maintain sound covid policies to include masking, recent covid testing, attempt to maintain distances, and not attending if you are feeling ill or have a temperature.

Services have been entrusted to Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel. Memorial Tributes and condolences may be offered by logging onto www.salseranddillard.com.

In lieu of flowers, the husband requests that you make a donation of your choice to any charity that provides food, clothes, and warmth to those in need.

Previous Events

Funeral

JAN 7. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (PT)

Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel
127 E. Caldwell Ave.
Visalia, CA 93277

Tribute Wall



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