



## Jill Peters

November 19, 1959 - October 30, 2020

Julia (Jill) Louise Peters

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Our dearest Jill (60) has gone to be by the side of the Lord. Jill was a wife, mother, sister, grandmother, aunt, and friend. If you met her once you would never forget her. Jill inspired everyone she came to meet and know. Her perseverance throughout everything she endured would put the strongest man in the world to shame. She had the most amazing laugh and smile that would light up an entire room.

Jill grew up in Kansas with nine brothers and sisters. Being the oldest girl she helped her mother care for the rest of the family. That is where she learned to cook and bake, and continued this tradition throughout her life. Jill's skills in the kitchen were bar to none, although it was hard for her to tell you a recipe because she knew them so well she didn't have to measure. Jill played many sports growing up, and was good at them all.

Kansas is where she met Rick her husband of 42 years. They were high school sweethearts and were madly in love. Jill and Rick married on July 14, 1978. They continued to live around Kansas/Nebraska area while they farmed and raised livestock. In 1979 they had their first son, Travis. A little over two years later they had their second son, Justin. The boys were their life, and in 1987 they moved to Cortez/Dolores, CO. Justin was in Kindergarten and Travis was in 3rd grade. Rick and Jill bought a saw mill in Dolores, CO and

started running the family business with the boys. The boys played football and wrestled. Jill was their biggest fan, and you can routinely hear her on the recordings of the games and matches screaming with pure joy and excitement. She never missed a game or a match. She loved her family and they were her everything. Jill meant everything to them as well.

In 1997 Jill and the family were in a car accident and Jill was paralyzed from the waist down. Although Jill was going to be in a wheelchair for the rest her life, she wouldn't let that stop her from doing anything that she wanted to do. Rick and the boys made that happen with her. Meeting and knowing her you would have never known she was in that chair, other than you could see it with your eyes. After the accident Jill made sure she was able to attend the next wrestling tournament, and after that her youngest son won the State Wrestling tournament. Jill could not contain her excitement, and that is all anyone heard in that stadium.

In 2005 Jill, Rick, and Justin moved to Belle Fourche, SD to run and operate the town airport. Travis would move there shortly after and start an auto repair shop. The family over the years would often move or travel together. While in Belle Fourche Jill started raising miniature horses. She also welcomed four grandchildren there. After nine years the cold had gotten to the whole family, and so they all moved to Southeast Arizona for the warmth and sunshine. After getting the ranch in Elfrida, AZ Jill and Rick expanded their miniature horses and started to train and bread them. Jill would train her horses all day, driving them in the practice carts all around the big ranch they had. Rick had made trails throughout the property that Jill could work the horse's day in and day out. Overtime they would travel all over the country to go to horse competition shows. Jill worked hard to get her horses in shape and ready, as well as Rick's. Justin's kids started training and practicing with a few horses and were able to start joining Jill at horse competitions when they were four and five years old. Jill, Rick, Brody and Hailey all qualified for the National Miniature Horse Competition numerous years. Rick and Jill continued to bread their horses and expanded to well over 35. Each year was a new round of

babies, and Jill loved all of them.

Jill was the light that showed us the way, she could make you smile or feel better at any moment and always had words of encouragement to share, and a huge hug. She supported and cared for everyone around her and she will be deeply missed.

Jill is survived by her husband (Rick Peters), her son (Travis Peters), her son (Justin/Erin Peters), her grandchildren (Brody, Hailey, Colt, Rowdy), her brother (Kurt/Suzanne Schroeder), her brother (Lance/Carla Schroeder), her sister (Becky/Kenny Reed), her brother (Rodney/Sheila Schroeder), her brother (Michael/Grace Robb), her sister (Renee/Rick Beougher), her brother (Barry/Nicole Schroeder), her brother (Ted Schroeder), many nieces and nephews, friends, and loved ones.

Jill was proceeded to the Lord by her mother and father (Harriet/Kenneth Schroeder), her sister (Susan Walker), her brother (Mark Schroeder), her brother (William Schroeder), her brother (Joseph Schroeder), her mother/father in-law (Peggy/Robert Wurm). Services will be held at a later date in Kansas.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Jill Peters*

January 30, 2023 at 12:50 AM



“ *Im so sorry for your loss Rick. She was such a sweet lady and im so glad i had the chance to meet her.*

**Linda jones** - November 04, 2020 at 11:31 PM



“ *Mike & Debbie Miller lit a candle in memory of Jill Peters*



**Mike & Debbie Miller** - November 04, 2020 at 08:59 PM



*I'm So Sorry about your loss Rick & All your Family May she Rest in Peace*

**Marilyn Farr** - November 08, 2020 at 07:55 PM



“ *Rick please let us know when the service is i still remember how happy you were dating Jill when we lived in Oakley so sorry Rick*

**Richard Rowlison** - November 04, 2020 at 08:25 PM



“ *Floor Plant for Sympathy was purchased for the family of Jill Peters.*



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November 04, 2020 at 08:18 PM



“ *Shades of Purple was purchased for the family of Jill Peters.*



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November 04, 2020 at 02:29 PM



“ *Rick I'm sorry for your loss Jill was such a sweet lady*

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**Bill Rice** - November 04, 2020 at 01:48 PM



“ *Rita N Tommy Bedolla lit a candle in memory of Jill Peters*



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**Rita n Tommy Bedolla** - November 04, 2020 at 12:00 PM



“ *Precious Moments - Praying Angel*” Resin Music Box was purchased for the family of Jill Peters.



November 03, 2020 at 11:00 PM



“ *The Class of '76*’ purchased the Garden Accent Stone - “*Wherever a Beautiful Soul...*” for the family of Jill Peters.



**The Class of '76'** - November 03, 2020 at 09:47 PM



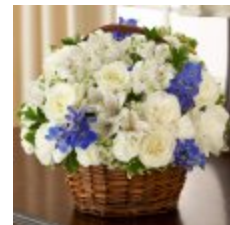
“ *Deb Banzet Bryan* lit a candle in memory of *Jill Peters*



**Deb Banzet Bryan** - November 03, 2020 at 08:41 PM



“ *Peace, Prayers & Blessings - Blue and White* was purchased for the family of Jill Peters.



November 03, 2020 at 08:07 PM

JR

“ I have so many cherished memories. I was so fortunate to get to grow up so close to my aunt Jill, we lived just a few miles away. I spent so much of my childhood with her, she was just a bike ride away. Me and my sister did everything with Aunt Jill, she was the kindest and funnest person to be around, she even made doing work fun. I remember gardening, cooking, baking, and sun tanning with Jill. We had routine sleep overs where we got to watch *The Flintstones* in bed and always had flat pancakes in the morning and she always let us take her wheelchair and ride it around trying to do wheelies. She never said no to letting us sit her lap, gave the best hugs. She took me to pierce my ears when I was 10, something I couldnt wait to do. Jill was at so many of my volleyball and basketball games, every one she could make she was there, always cheering me and Jess on. I miss her so much and have always known she is was an angel sent from God, toughest angel there is.

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**Jenn Reed** - November 03, 2020 at 07:33 PM

JR

*I have been trying to find the words but I am not sure I could say it much better than Jenn did here. Jill was one of a kind and truly one of my favorite people on the earth. She truly was like a second mom to us. I am so grateful for all I got to experience with her. I will miss her forever and love her always. I know we all have an amazing angel watching over us.*

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**Jessica Reed** - November 04, 2020 at 01:39 PM

BR

*Rick & family, we are so very sad about the loss of Jill. She was truly a special lady & one of the toughest, loving, person. We will never forget her & all the great times we had together at our parties & blessed times together. You are both like our very own family. May she rest in peace & God bless you all. 🙏💕*

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**Bonnie & Jim Ross** - November 09, 2020 at 09:21 PM

EG

*Rick you may not remember us but Evan and Willy were great friends from years ago. Words can not express the sadness adequately for the loss of your sweet wife and now the death of your dad. It is more than sad and our hearts go out to you and your family. We will miss Willy as before Covid Evan visited him at the nursing home We will send up prayers and please take care. Love to you Evan and Judy Golt!* 🙏🙏

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**Evan and Judy Golt!** - November 10, 2020 at 08:48 PM