



## Veronica "Roni" Fenn

July 6, 1962 - March 31, 2013

Veronica "Roni" Fenn was taken to be with our Lord, March 31, 2013 at the age of 50. She was born in San Pedro, California on July 6, 1962. Roni is survived by her husband Steve, sons Logan and Connor, her father Ben Fortun and her brother Anthony "Tony" Fortun. Roni also is survived by a multitude of Aunts, Uncles, Nieces, Nephews, Cousins, Sisters in law and Brothers in law, too numerous to mention individually. Preceding her in death was her mother Fruta "Candie".

Roni grew up in Torrance CA, graduated from University of Idaho where she studied forestry. She worked for a cruise line as a cruise director that travelled up and down the Alaskan coast. Later she worked for the BLM as a recreation planner in the deserts of California and helped develop numerous youth programs for the BLM. Then in 1998 transferred to the Southern Arizona BLM district. It was then, through a co-worker, that Roni met Steve, fell in love, married and started a family. This was where Roni found her true passion and purpose in life, as a mother, wife and homemaker. She devoted herself to her family, friends, and church. She continued to volunteer and work with her great enthusiasm for St. Jude Catholic Church, the countless 4-H programs, the SALIA livestock shows, and many other causes that she felt strongly about. Roni homeschooled her two sons as well as assisted her husband Steve to run Fenn Ag Company. Roni's smile, love of life and helping hands will be missed by all that knew her.

A Rosary will be offered 7:00 P.M. on Thursday, April 11, 2013 at St. Jude Thaddeus Catholic Church in Pearce/Sunsites, Arizona with visitation beginning at 6:00 P.M.

Mass of Christian Burial will be 9:30 A.M. on Friday, April 12, 2013 at the Pearce Elementary School Gymnasium. Cremation will follow at Westlawn Crematory. Condolences may be expressed to the family at [www.westlawnchapelmortuary.com](http://www.westlawnchapelmortuary.com)

In lieu of flowers the Fenn family has requested that donations be made in Roni's name to Cochise County 4-H. It was always Roni's wish that all youth have the opportunity to participate in the 4-h program and all that it offers. This special fund will assist the needs of the many 4-H youth in Cochise County who were so dear to Roni's heart.

Cochise County 4-H, 450 S. Haskell Avenue, Willcox, AZ. 85643. Services entrusted to Westlawn Chapel, Mortuary and Crematory of Willcox, Arizona.

# Cemetery Details

## Westlawn Crematory

105 S. Arizona Ave.  
Willcox, AZ 85643

# Previous Events

## Viewing

APR 11. 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM (MT)

St. Jude Thaddeus Catholic Church  
Highway 191  
Sunsites, AZ

## Rosary

APR 11. 7:00 PM (MT)

St. Jude Thaddeus Catholic Church  
Highway 191  
Sunsites, AZ

## Mass of Christian Burial

APR 12. 9:30 AM (MT)

Pearce Elementary School Gymnasium  
1487 E. School Road  
Pearce, AZ 85625



# Tribute Wall



“ Veronica "Roni" Fenn

January 30, 2023 at 12:50 AM



“ I just received the University of Idaho's alumni magazine to sadly learn of Roni's passing. I remember Roni very well when I attended the College of Forestry, Wildlife and Range Sciences where I majored in Forestry, graduating in 1990. We both worked on the college magazine (I believe she was the editor) for at least a couple of years. Roni always had a smile and was very friendly with everyone and we always visited when we passed in the hallways. My condolences to her family. Chris Maranto, Sacramento, CA.

Chris Maranto - December 31, 2013 at 01:41 AM



“ We were so sorry to hear of Roni's passing. She was such a great person and so giving to others. We are glad to have known her. All our best to Steve and the boys.  
Rob & Suzanne Call

Robert & SuzanneCall - April 17, 2013 at 05:47 PM



“ Claus-Walker Family, D A 4-H lit a candle in memory of Veronica "Roni" Fenn



Claus-Walker Family, D A 4-H - April 13, 2013 at 08:28 AM

PH

“ As next door neighbors, we were priviledged to meet Roni and the family about 5 years ago. What a wonderful lady she was! We could never out give her...she gave us eggs, produce, and chickens out of a huge heart. Her life was Jesus in the Flesh to us, and right next door!

*Paul and Bonnie Vander Hulst*

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**Paul and Bonnie Vander Hulst** - April 11, 2013 at 10:30 PM


MS

“ I am saddened to hear about Roni's transition. I remember her from the first intro to recreation class I took from the BLM and her presence was a delight and full of energy. May her family find strength during this difficult time by feeling the flood of emotions. If any of us could ease the pain, we would.



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**Mary Skordinsky** - April 10, 2013 at 11:39 AM

 Topher  
Cruz  
Seldera

“ i remember visiting Roni and the Cali family almost every summer till I was 15 with our grandma. she taught me a lot about using computers, and turkeyburgers, and she will be missed alot...My heart and love goes out to Uncle Ben, Tony, Steve Logan and Connor.. boys if you need anything.we're here for you

*Christopher and the Seldera Family*



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**Topher Cruz Seldera** - April 10, 2013 at 01:13 AM

BG

“ Steve, Logan & Connor,

*We are so sorry to learn that Roni has left us. Her spirit was so full of light & life that it flowed into everyone around her. What wonderful memories you all must have! I will never forgot her kindness & compassion & many thoughtful gestures, especially towards my mother, Margaret Nichols> Please accept our deepest sympathies,*

*Your cousin,*

*Barb (& John) Geibel*

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**Barb Geibel** - April 10, 2013 at 12:51 AM

BC

“ Ben & Claire purchased the Multicolor Bright Sympathy Standing Spray for the family of Veronica "Roni" Fenn.



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**Ben & Claire** - April 09, 2013 at 06:50 PM

YF

“ Your Cochise County 4-H Family purchased the Serene Green™ Bouquet For Sympathy for the family of Veronica "Roni" Fenn.



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**Your Cochise County 4-H Family** - April 09, 2013 at 06:04 PM



Samantha  
Hawkins

“ *Samantha Hawkins lit a candle in memory of  
Veronica "Roni" Fenn*



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**Samantha Hawkins** - April 09, 2013 at 07:56 AM



“ *Simply Lily was purchased for the family of  
Veronica "Roni" Fenn.*



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April 09, 2013 at 07:30 AM



“ *Bill & Terri McDonough lit a candle in memory  
of Veronica "Roni" Fenn*



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**Bill & Terri McDonough** - April 08, 2013 at 06:47 PM

JK

“ *Roni was a vital part of the family at BLM's California Desert District. She was vital in the importance context- and even more vital in the alive context.*

*Any mundane task or meeting would come to life with a little of her magic- I am confident that she has been just as important a part of many lives that she touched.*

*My deepest sympathy to those who still needed her; her family and close friends. I hope you can find some solace from the tributes of so many of us who have been fortunate enough to know her.*

*Jim Keeler*

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**Jim Keeler** - April 08, 2013 at 06:29 PM

JK

“ *Jim Keeler lit a candle in memory of Veronica "Roni" Fenn*



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**Jim Keeler** - April 08, 2013 at 06:18 PM

LG

“ *Louella Giles purchased the Multicolor Pastel Sympathy Floor Basket for the family of Veronica "Roni" Fenn.*



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**Louella Giles** - April 08, 2013 at 02:28 PM

DG

“ Dear Roni was the heart and soul of the late great WOW program. Ron was recruited for her untiring efforts to bring outdoor camping skills to the inner city. Roni spearheaded the development of the model program and lead by example. She brought a spirit and enthusiasm to every project she put her mind to. I remember her sitting in front of a group of eager youth and keeping them spellbound discussing indian rock art and natures gifts to us. Her warm loving personality was so appreciated by all that had the honor to work with her. I look forward to feeling her spirit again on Friday and sharing the moment with family and friends. We miss you "Ronster the Monster"  
Dave Griffith

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**Dave Griffith** - April 08, 2013 at 11:54 AM

FF

“ FICO San Simon Farm and Santa Cruz Valley Farms purchased the Sympathy Arrangement In Basket (Large) - Multicolor Bright Mixed Flowers for the family of Veronica "Roni" Fenn.



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**FICO San Simon Farm and Santa Cruz Valley Farms** - April 08, 2013 at 11:30 AM



“ Plants-A-Plenty was purchased for the family of Veronica "Roni" Fenn.



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April 08, 2013 at 01:24 AM



“ *Blue & White Sympathy Floor Basket was purchased for the family of Veronica "Roni" Fenn.*



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April 08, 2013 at 12:18 AM



“ *Joe And Doreen Foss lit a candle in memory of Veronica "Roni" Fenn*



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**Joe and Doreen Foss** - April 07, 2013 at 06:29 PM



*We will miss you Roni, you brought much joy and laughter to all who knew you.....*

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**Joe & Doreen Foss** - April 07, 2013 at 06:35 PM



“ *I worked with Roni at the Bureau of Land Management when she was at Tucson and I was in Phoenix. What an enthusiastic person with great ideas. My sympathies; I'm sure Roni left a large void for her family and for her friends.*

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**Shela McFarlin** - April 07, 2013 at 03:26 PM

RM

“ Robert, Helen, Aiden And Connor Mader lit a candle in memory of Veronica "Roni" Fenn



Robert, Helen, Aiden and Connor Mader - April 06, 2013 at 11:13 PM

NF

“ Nancy Fenn lit a candle in memory of Veronica "Roni" Fenn



Nancy Fenn - April 06, 2013 at 10:35 PM

TF

“ The McBryde Family lit a candle in memory of Veronica "Roni" Fenn



The McBryde Family - April 06, 2013 at 07:14 PM

GS

“ Greg, Jayne, Preston And Katie Sweatt lit a candle in memory of Veronica "Roni" Fenn



Greg, Jayne, Preston and Katie Sweatt - April 05, 2013 at 08:40 PM

KE

“ Karen Evenson lit a candle in memory of Veronica "Roni" Fenn



Karen Evenson - April 05, 2013 at 02:23 PM

SF

“ Suafa Family purchased the Lavender & White Sympathy Floor Basket for the family of Veronica "Roni" Fenn.



Suafa Family - April 05, 2013 at 08:41 AM

DE

“ Heaven gained an amazing woman. An extraordinary mother of 2 young boys, a fine wife... everything in her schedule revolved around her family, and serving others. Very few, volunteer to go that extra mile, and Roni always did. She held the world on her shoulders, and held things together for her family, her church family, her community, neighbors, and friends. ? A go getter, a beautiful, amazing woman... with a ready smile, and a very good heart. She loved, and was loved. One of the best neighbors and friends my family and I have ever had. We could never thank her enough, for her efforts, her friendship, and her love. God bless you, Roni... and the Fenn family. We miss you. You are loved. ?



Deja - April 04, 2013 at 07:22 PM

 Sissy Walker

“ Steve, Logan, and Connor from the first day I met Roni I new I had a friend for life. She had a special way of making everyone feel loved. A true angel! My prayers are with you! Sissy Fischler

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**Sissy Walker** - April 04, 2013 at 05:43 PM


LQ

“ Leah Quesenberry lit a candle in memory of Veronica "Roni" Fenn



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**Leah Quesenberry** - April 04, 2013 at 04:01 PM

 Angela Holloway-Batts

“ Angela Holloway-Batts lit a candle in memory of Veronica "Roni" Fenn



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**Angela Holloway-Batts** - April 04, 2013 at 12:01 PM

MS

“ Monica Sierra-Barber lit a candle in memory of Veronica "Roni" Fenn



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**Monica Sierra-Barber** - April 04, 2013 at 10:15 AM

MS

*Steve, Logan & Connor -May there be comfort in knowing that someone so special will never be forgotten. You are in my thoughts and prayers...*

Monica Sierra-Barber - April 04, 2013 at 10:20 AM

SL

“ 2 files added to the album New Album Name



Sister in Law - April 04, 2013 at 10:09 AM

CF

“ *I met Roni when she transferred to the Bureau of Land Management in Tucson, were we were co-workers, I learned that Roni helped develop WOW wonderful outdoor world for BLM's youth program, Roni also helped write the Las Cienegas National Conservation Resource Management Plan. While in the Sierra Vista BLM office, Roni worked with the Friends of San Pedro River, developed Interpretive displays for the ghost town of Fairbank, Roni was also very active in the National Association for Interpretation, and much much more, I invited Roni to an Easter picnic where she met my brother Steve, and next thing we know they begin there new lives together, were married, had 2 wonderful kids Logan and Connor and a great life with friends, family, church, animals, farming, traveling and so on.... I will miss you Roni, from your co-worker and sister-in-law Catie.*

Catie Fenn - April 04, 2013 at 09:42 AM

CF

“ *Catie Fenn lit a candle in memory of Veronica "Roni" Fenn*



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**Catie Fenn** - April 04, 2013 at 08:57 AM

BG

“ *My deepest sympathies go out to Roni's family. I recall teaming up with Roni to teach Leave No Trace to school children. We presented a routine known as the "Impact Monster" and the children loved Roni's presentation. She knew how to "ham it up" for the kids. One Impact Monster show will always stick in my memory -- we were teaching about fifty 1st & 2nd graders. Roni was so effective as the "Monster" that the children were outraged (many were standing and shaking their fists) that anyone could be so callous as to violate the principles of Leave No Trace. She truly had a gift with the youth. I will miss her.*

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**Bill Gibson** - April 03, 2013 at 08:11 PM

MF

“ *Mike & Sandi Puchkors & Family lit a candle in memory of Veronica "Roni" Fenn*



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**Mike & Sandi Puchkors & family** - April 03, 2013 at 05:39 PM

FC

“ *Friend Family, San Pedro Spirits 4H Club lit a candle in memory of Veronica "Roni" Fenn*



Friend Family, San Pedro Spirits 4H Club - April 03, 2013 at 12:33 PM

FC

*Friend family*

Friend Family, San Pedro Spirits 4H Club - April 03, 2013 at 12:34 PM

FF

“ *Fickett Family lit a candle in memory of Veronica "Roni" Fenn*



Fickett Family - April 03, 2013 at 12:20 PM



“ *Betsy Ajeman lit a candle in memory of Veronica "Roni" Fenn*



Betsy Ajeman - April 03, 2013 at 11:54 AM

MH

“ I met Roni through the BLM. I remember her spark and enthusiam. She was fun to be with, lively, and always ready to make our visitor experiences better. My thoughts go out to her family and friends. --  
*Megg Heath*

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**Megg Heath** - April 03, 2013 at 11:24 AM

RF

“ *Riggs Family lit a candle in memory of  
Veronica "Roni" Fenn*



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**Riggs Family** - April 03, 2013 at 10:20 AM

 Wendy  
West

“ *Wendy West lit a candle in memory of  
Veronica "Roni" Fenn*



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**Wendy West** - April 03, 2013 at 10:14 AM

BF

“ *Brian Fickett lit a candle in memory of  
Veronica "Roni" Fenn*



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**Brian Fickett** - April 03, 2013 at 09:33 AM

DT

“ *Diane Tucker lit a candle in memory of Veronica "Roni" Fenn*



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**Diane Tucker** - April 03, 2013 at 09:02 AM

BC

“ *Roni was a "one of a kind" person who had a special smile and a special light that surrounded her wherever she went and whatever she did. She will be truly missed and always remembered.*

*Barbara Croonquist*

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**Barbara Croonquist** - April 03, 2013 at 12:32 AM

AM

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**AMA** - April 03, 2013 at 12:08 AM

 Louella  
Giles

“ *Louella Giles lit a candle in memory of Veronica "Roni" Fenn*



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**Louella Giles** - April 02, 2013 at 09:57 PM

AL

“ I will miss you and your smile Ronnie, you were and always will be my godmother. I will keep you in my prayers as well as Steve, Logan & Conner I love you

<http://storage.lifetributes.com/Candles/new/candle-1.png>



AI Levine - April 02, 2013 at 09:49 PM

AL

“ :o( I will miss you Ronnie and your smile. I pray that you are in a better place. Steve, Logan & Conner you will be in our prayers as well. Most people don't know that Ronnie is and always will be my God Mother<http://storage.lifetributes.com/Candles/new/candle-1.png>



AI Levine - April 02, 2013 at 09:44 PM

AG

“ Anne Greene lit a candle in memory of Veronica "Roni" Fenn



Anne Greene - April 02, 2013 at 08:55 PM

DR

“ To all of Roni's immediate family and extended family of friends.....a light shines brighter in heaven.... 2 of my favorite Roni posts say it all -- "OHANA" - "means family. Family means nobody gets left behind" and "Family isn't always blood. It's the people in your life who want you in theirs, the ones who accept you for who you are. The ones who would do anything to see you smile and who love you know matter what" Our family misses you and will always celebrate the light you brought into our lives! Love you!! deb rawhouser, mike and ben ferguson

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**Deb Rawhouser** - April 02, 2013 at 07:46 PM

 Chona Hernandez

“ Chona Hernandez lit a candle in memory of Veronica "Roni" Fenn



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**Chona Hernandez** - April 02, 2013 at 06:54 PM

CM

“ My heart and prayers go out to Roni's family and friends. I first met Roni through the National Association of Interpretation (NAI) events and BLM meetings. She came to Nevada where I worked at many times and shared her time with all her friends. Roni's friendship will be eternal.

*Chris Miller*

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**Chris Miller** - April 02, 2013 at 05:07 PM

VP

“ So sad to hear of Roni's passing. She was a beautiful person through and through. I remember the days of "Roni & Elayn" like they were yesterday. She always had a smile and a hug for anybody that needed one.

Some work relationships stay with you always and Roni was one of those special rays of light that pass through your heart and leave a lasting impression. She never forgot to include my son - always. Way before she had her own little ones, she was sensitive to the needs of children.



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**Valerie Parker** - April 02, 2013 at 04:54 PM

JB

“ Our deepest condolences from the California Desert District. We were all better because of her. She shared her talents with all of us - with enthusiasm and more energy than the energizer bunny. JoAnn

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**JoAnn Burdett** - April 02, 2013 at 04:36 PM

JB

“ JoAnn Burdett lit a candle in memory of Veronica "Roni" Fenn



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**JoAnn Burdett** - April 02, 2013 at 04:23 PM

KA

“ I met Roni at the Recreation course with BLM when it was a three week course. She was a great person and I enjoyed her sense of humor. I send my prayers to her family.

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**Kathy August** - April 02, 2013 at 04:14 PM

EB

“ So sorry to post the pictures over and over - - and over again.  
I needed Roni to help me figure this tech stuff out. Sigh.....  
Miss you more than I can say...  
Elayn

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**Elayn Briggs** - April 02, 2013 at 04:11 PM

JB

Yeah, big sigh.

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**JoAnn Burdett** - April 02, 2013 at 05:16 PM

JS

“ I am extremely sorry to hear of Roni's passing. Roni was a  
intelligent, generous, and outgoing person. She had a wonderful  
way about her by treating everyone she knew with dignity and  
respect. I am very happy to have met her and worked with her in our  
past lives and she will certainly be missed. My heart go out to her  
family at this most trying time.

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**John Skibinski** - April 02, 2013 at 03:53 PM

EB

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**Elayn Briggs** - April 02, 2013 at 03:51 PM

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**Elayn Briggs** - April 02, 2013 at 03:47 PM

EB

“ 12 files added to the album Roni 1990-1999



Elayn Briggs - April 02, 2013 at 03:39 PM

AG

“ Amy Galperin lit a candle in memory of  
Veronica "Roni" Fenn



Amy Galperin - April 02, 2013 at 02:19 PM

AG

“ Ronnie was a very generous and fun person. She loved to share  
her talents. I am so sorry to learn of her passing. My thoughts are  
with her family.

Amy Galperin - April 02, 2013 at 02:19 PM

TW

“ *Tammy Watts lit a candle in memory of Veronica "Roni" Fenn*



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**Tammy Watts** - April 02, 2013 at 01:45 PM

BH

“ *my deepest sympathy - alpha and omega*

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**Brenda Hudgens-Williams** - April 02, 2013 at 01:41 PM

BH

“ *Brenda Hudgens-Williams lit a candle in memory of Veronica "Roni" Fenn*



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**Brenda Hudgens-Williams** - April 02, 2013 at 01:40 PM

SE

“ *Shanon Easterday lit a candle in memory of Veronica "Roni" Fenn*



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**Shanon Easterday** - April 02, 2013 at 11:10 AM

DT

“ *David And Tina Thompson lit a candle in memory of Veronica "Roni" Fenn*



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**David and Tina Thompson** - April 01, 2013 at 06:28 PM