

RENEE DOWNEY BENNETT

1949-2012

CHICO: Renee Downey Bennett, 63, a retired salesperson, died on Friday, July 7, 2012, in Chico.

Renee was born on May 21, 1949, to Harold “Jack” and Oletha (Hardman) Downey in Piqua, Ohio. She was united in marriage to Billy Eugene Bennett on May 7, 1991, in Decatur. She worked for Walmart before she retired. Renee’s passion for her family was always a priority in her life. She fought an extended battle with cancer but never lost the spark in her eyes or the smile on her face.

She was preceded in death by her parents and brother, James “Jim” Downey.

Survivors include her husband of 21 years, Billy Bennett, of Chico; her daughter, Christine Neagle and husband, Michael, of Chico; her son, Rodney Hall and wife, Victoria, of Chico; her stepdaughter, Audra Bennett, of Weatherford; eight grandchildren, Tyler, who is expecting Renee’s first great-grandchild, Jordan, Haley, Makinzy, Tanner, Miranda, Jesse, and Kristy; her sister, Gail Winters, of Michigan; her friend, Teresa Moody, of Chico; her sister-in-law, Janice Row-land and husband, Jim, of May, Texas; other family members and a host of friends.

Memorial service was held at 2 p.m. Friday, July 13, 2012, at Hawkins Funeral Home in Bridgeport. Rev. Larry Whitaker officiated.

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