



Jacqueline Heilsberg Rogers

October 22, 1950 - January 20, 2018

A Colfax, Washington native, Jackie Rogers died peacefully on 01/20/2018 in her home at the Sullivan Park Care Center in the Spokane Valley. Jackie grew up in the farming town of Colfax and later migrated to Spokane where she lived for over 40 years. Daughter to Norma and William Heilsberg, she graduated from Colfax High School in 1969 and went on to obtain her Psychology degree at Eastern Washington University. She spent the majority of her career at Eastern State Hospital where her fun and quirky personality thrived in the care of her patients. Jackie had a way of seeing past someone's limitations and helping that person realize their true potential.

In her adult years, Jackie reconnected with her Native American roots and found great joy in visiting Oklahoma and the Citizen Potawatomi Nation for the annual gathering. A stranger to no dog, Jackie had a constant furry four-legged companion and rescued pups whenever she could. She loved the outdoors, fishing, camping and boating.

Her parents, Norma and William Heilsberg, precede Jackie in death. She is survived by her older brother, Bob Heilsberg and sister-in-law Kathie. Her legacy will continue on in her two nieces and nephew, Chad Heilsberg (Amy), Kristi Ray (Chad) and Jessica Sapien (Josh) as well as five great nieces and three great nephews – Sloan, Faith, Levi, and Paiyton Heilsberg; Alyssa, Emily and Cody Ray; and Dexter Sapien. Jackie was blessed with many friends, but most notably her best friend and caretaker Brenda Zito.

A celebration of life will be scheduled for the spring when family and friends

can gather outside to share stories and memories of Jackie's life.

In lieu of flowers, please consider donating to SCRAPS – Spokane County Regional Animal Protection Services. Online guestbook at cheneyfuneral.com