



Obituary for HART

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Kathleen A. On Friday, May 6, 2011 Kathy was relieved of the suffering endured battling breast cancer for the past two years. She died peacefully at home in Jemez Springs with her husband, Dave Smoker, at her side. other survivors are sister, priscilla (Curt) Coleman, Gladstone, OR; brother, Bob (Marcie) Hart, Savannah, GA; sister-in-law, Marie Hart, Mercer, PA; step-children, Dr. Linda Smoker of Albuquerque and Richard Smoker (wife, Julie Engelbrecht and daughter Melanie Smoker) of San Jose, CA; son-in-law, Russell Wynn (daughter Chavella Aragon and granddaughter Selena Ramirez) of Albuquerque; in-laws, Sam (Vickie) Smoker, Jon (Carol) Smoker and Diane Conrad of Elkhart, IN and Jane (Gene) Zieglar of Lapeer, MI; and a wealth of nieces and nephews and their children. She was predeceased by her parents, brother, Larry Hart and step-daughter, Sharon Smoker (Wynn). Kathy was born January 29, 1946 in New Castle, PA and lived there through graduation from Union High School. She received her BA degree in journalism from Duquesne University in Pittsburgh before moving to Albuquerque in 1968. In Albuquerque she owned a graphic arts and advertising agency, BY KATHY HART, whose clients included the Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta, for whom she produced the official Fiesta program from 1976 through 1985. She was also manager of the Albuquerque Press Club in the historic Whittlesey House, where she and Dave met when he was elected APC president in 1981 and where they held their wedding reception in October 1985. For the past 20 years Kathy operated THE BARKER'S BAKERY in Jemez Springs, producing gourmet dog cookies sold at stores and holiday shows throughout New Mexico. Kathy's final wish was to express how very grateful she was for a life filled with good friends, and how deeply she appreciated the genuine love shared by all of them. Cremation has taken place and there will be no services. A remembrance party with Kathy's family and those wonderful friends will take place at the Albuquerque Press Club (where she and Dave are Life Members), 201 Highland Park Circle SE, at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, June 4, 2011. Anyone wishing to make a donation in Kathy's memory is encouraged to do so Animal Amigos, PO Box 333, Jemez Springs, NM 87025 or Animal Humane Association of NM, 615 Virginia SE, Albuquerque, NM 87108. Arrangements by DIRECT FUNERAL SERVICES [\(505\) 343-8008](tel:5053438008)