



Cheryl M. Roberts

March 20, 1955 - November 25, 2020

Cheryl Monet Roberts, 65, died suddenly November 25, 2020, at Saint Francis Hospital in Tulsa, Oklahoma, with family and friends holding her hands. Born March 20, 1955, in Palo Alto, California, her parents were Curtis H. and Lotta Dagley Roberts who both preceded her in death.

Cheryl spent her early years growing up several places, including California, Lubbock, TX and Rochester, MN, moving frequently as her dad's career with IBM progressed. The family settled in Tulsa on Cheryl's 13th birthday where she lived the rest of her life, although her own career took her on many extensive assignments throughout the country and internationally as well.

After graduating from Nathan Hale High School, Cheryl attended the University of Tulsa leaving just short of finishing her degree, anxious to begin her nearly 30-year career at IBM. Starting out as a customer engineer, then systems engineer, she progressed to marketing rep and ultimately to very senior positions within IBM. She loved being an IBMer and received many awards along the way. One of the top awards she won was the Golden Circle award in 1997 which included a trip to Maui. At nearly every level of her career she spent extensive time on the Getty/Texaco account and made many long-lasting friendships there. Her closest friends today are some of the IBMers and clients she met in her 20s.

Cheryl was a most caring and charitable citizen of the world; she was a problem solver, a helper of people. She gave of her time, energy, and her very sizable brain to pursue many causes dear to her heart. These included just about anywhere someone, or something, was suffering: hunger, dachshund rescue, the environment, or personally shepherding many family, friends, and acquaintances through their cancer treatment. She was active in local and national Democratic politics and was on the road for Hillary for nearly a year with the 2008 campaign. Ancestry research became a strong interest of hers and recently, maybe even surprisingly, she was inducted into the Daughters of the American Revolution of which she was very proud.

Cheryl knew how to have fun. As a teenager, she would wake up her younger brother Jimmy in the middle of the night and make him go with her for a joyride in the family car, no license required. She loved going to rock concerts and reportedly hitchhiked to Woodstock the week after the festival. She alluded the police more than once as they chased her through the neighborhood on her motorcycle. Unfortunately, Cheryl missed Yoko's call just before the Beatles broke up, but we're pretty sure she was an eyewitness on the grassy knoll.

Probably more than anything, she loved going on diving trips to the Caribbean with her closest buddies. She could spend hours in the ocean snorkeling or diving and watching fish.

Survivors include her spouse of 25 years, Cindy Vogel; their precious dachshund, Pinkie; brothers, Curt Roberts and wife Linda; Roddy Roberts and wife Joanie; Jim Roberts and wife Kelly; a sister, Angie Haney, and husband, Rick Haney; her stepmother, Pat Roberts; and many nieces and nephews. She also leaves her absolutely devoted friends, all of whom would follow her off a cliff. Especially Lois, Nancy, Arlene, Sharon, Carol, Irene and all the Sandy's (you know who you are).

Suggested memorials are to the Animal Rescue Foundation or The Community Food Bank of Eastern Oklahoma.

No services are planned until Dr. Fauci, whom she advised daily, declares large gatherings once again safe. Moore's Southlawn 918-663-2233 share memories at <http://www.moorefuneral.com>

Comments



“ Cindy, my heart breaks for your loss. I will always remember Cheryl as the queen of garage sales and eBay. She was such a loving person and she will be missed desperately. John and I send our deepest condolences.



Mona Meacham - November 29, 2020 at 01:06 PM



“ Thanks Mona for the kind words. This was so sudden and I'm still in shock. So hard to believe, I hope her and Debbie and Carter are having a good time reuniting. Hope they are celebrating at the best garage sale ever!

Cindy - December 07, 2020 at 07:52 PM



“ I grew up with Cheryl in the middle of the Roberts Family in Lubbock, Texas, so many fond memories.....There was an empty lot by their house and we had all kinds of trails and forts in there where we would spend hours & hours playing. Lotta would let us make up pbj sandwiches and take koolaid over there. Curt(I grew up with him known as Luke, Cheryl & myself would spend so much time over there. It gave her a little peace & quite time when Jimmy & Roddy would take naps, Angie was too little. We both had a love for dachshunds always having one growing up! Saw her several times in Tulsa & when they would come in for the Roberts reunions and to see Ma & Daddy Hirk.

JANIE S EVANS - December 13, 2020 at 02:56 PM