

SHARON JEAN PRICE



SHARON JEAN PRICE Sharon Jean Price, 73, passed away unexpectedly Thursday, April 5, 2012, in Barstow, California. Sharon was born February 9, 1939, in Coquille, Oregon. Sharon moved to Barstow in the early 1960's with her husband Arrol, a supervisor employed at Goldstone, who preceded her in death in 1993. While her children were in elementary and junior high school, she was a stay-at-home Mom whose house was a magnet for all her children's friends because she always had a ready smile often accompanied by freshly home-baked goodies. She was a leader in both the Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts and served in various capacities in the PTA at Cameron School. Her first job in Barstow was at the San Bernardino County Library where she worked for two years before beginning to work at the Barstow Unified School District, first at Kennedy High, then Barstow High, and spending the final 26 years with the students at Central High School as the sparkplug in the office, usually being the first person everyone connected with upon entering the school. She continued to substitute in various schools since retiring, enjoying staying in contact with students and school personnel. Her smiles and greetings made everyone feel welcome, and students knew that she cared about what happened to them. "I will never forget her. She always had a kind word for me even when I was late to school," said one student. Another praised her by saying, "She always knew what to say to make me want to stay in school." Sharon was a special person whose humor, love of life, caring attitude, and over-all positive outlook on life lifted the spirits of all who were privileged to know her. She loved to travel and since retiring in 2004 had been to Great Britain, Alaska, Washington, D.C., Paris, Italy, Texas, Tennessee, and various national parks. Sharon was always generous with her time; and over the years, she was active in such community organizations as the Mojave River Valley Museum, Youth Accountability Board, and Holiday Meals. She is survived by her sister Victoria Norman of Aberdeen, Washington, son Jim and his partner Kent Smith of San Diego, daughter Terri and son-in-law Virgil Massey of

Barstow, and grandsons Jason Murray and wife Elizabeth of Hesperia and Shawn Murray and wife Marissa and their son Shawn, Jr. of Apple Valley and many, many friends whose lives she had touched with her own special brand of love, kindness, and generosity. A celebration of life will be held at Idle Spurs 11:30 a.m. Friday, April 13, 2012. The family invites you to come share your memories of times you enjoyed with Sharon. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests donations to "Friends of the Barstow Branch Library" at 304 E. Buena Vista, Barstow, CA 92311 or "The Holiday Meals Program" through the Barstow Chamber of Commerce, (760) 256-8617

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