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**Victoria Irene "Vicki" Burnett-Bridgewater(1959-2014)**

Vicki Burnett-Bridgewater of Lockeford, passed away unexpectedly on August 26, 2014, at the home of her son. Mrs. Burnett-Bridgewater was born in Lodi, California on January 22, 1959.

She was born to a Fifth Generation California farming family. Vicki grew up on the family ranch raising cattle and sheep as well as fruits and vegetables. She was also a member of the local 4-H Club. While she was in high school, she worked for several local restaurants. She graduated from Lodi High School in 1977, and went on to attend Humphreys College. She graduated in 1979.

After graduating from college, Vicki worked for San Joaquin County from 1979 to 1992. She worked as a secretary in the District Attorney's Office, the Administrator's Office and the Board of Supervisors' Office. During that time, she met and married her husband. After working for the County for 12 years, she left to start a family. In 1993, she was blessed with the birth of a baby boy. After her son started school in 1998, she went to work for the Unified School District as a Yard Duty Official and Cafeteria Helper at Clements Elementary School. Two years later, she became the Librarian for the Lockeford and Clements Elementary Schools until she left in 2004 to start a business. Vicki owned and operated Elegant Illusions, a ladies consignment store, from 2004 until 2011. After the death of her husband and father, Vicki decided it was time to retire and spend more time with her son and family.

She was a wonderful woman who was always reliable, and willing to help others in need. Also, she was a member of the Lodi Eagles Club. She is survived by her son, Jacob Burnett Bridgewater, of Lockeford; mother, Carol Acampo; two brothers, James (Karen) Burnett of Fort Worth, Texas and Todd (Shari) Burnett of Lodi. She also has numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 25 years, Duane "Skip" Bridgewater; her father, James Burnett; her father-in-law, Jesse Bridgewater; and her mother-in-law, Katherine Steed.

A celebration of life will follow later in the year. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made in Vicki's name to Hospice of San Joaquin. Lodi Funeral Home is assisting the family with the arrangements.

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