

## *All About Nora ... By Barry Cole*

I miss her so much! NORA LEE leaves behind a legacy of love, laughter and cherished memories.

In 1948, she was born in Detroit, Michigan and was the eldest of seven children in the Ben and Betty Lynch family. The family moved to northern California where Nora continued to be instrumental in the well-being of her siblings. Similarly, as a teenager, she helped to raise the children of a neighbor and eventually moved in with the family. For a short time after high school graduation Nora located to Hawaii, but returned to California for college and a "real" job. Settling in San Diego, she was convinced that she had found "heaven on earth" and remained here the rest of her life.

In 1978, she began her life's career with State Farm Insurance Company and quickly earned the opportunity to grow and manage her own agency! She used her knowledge as a "house flipper" to buy the Valley Center property and build her dream home in 2003. Always sports minded, she attended favorite events: San Diego Padres; San Diego Chargers; NASCAR and Del Mar Racing.

Throughout the years, she planned and hosted "events-to-remember!" She loved St. Patrick's Day (being Irish), Halloween, Thanksgiving, Christmas, New Year's, the Solstices, the equinoxes and any American celebration.

Nora skied all over the world and was an active member of the North Island Snowdrifters' Ski Club. In the club, she served as a Board Member, Activities Director, trip leader and event hostess. You name it, she did it!

It was as a member of the ski club that we met. We married in 2004. I am privileged to be her husband ("husbono") for life.... I miss her so much...



*Nora Lee Cole*

*A Light So Bright*

*August 5, 1948 – August 28, 2023*

# *Nora Lee*

*A light so bright, now dimmed too soon,  
Your laughter's echo, a lovely tune.  
A generous, compassionate, and creative friend,  
You always stepped up and loved to win.*

*Whether whipping up a culinary delight,  
Or planning adventures near and far,  
Your zest for living shone bright as the sun,  
A guiding light, like a lone, shining star.*

*Though you have left us and gone away,  
Your spirit lives on, radiant as day.  
Your essence lives on, eternal and true.  
Loving memories remain, a precious gift from you.*

*By Cheryl Riess*



# *Celebration Program*

*Orfila Vineyards and Winery*

*June 27, 2024*

**Welcome & Announcements..... Nick Cowell**  
**Opening Prayer.....John and JoJo Talcott**  
**Song, Hero ..... Mariah Carey**  
**Eulogy..... Barry Cole**  
**Song, The Best..... Tina Turner**  
**Slide Show Tribute..... Catie Somers**  
**Waiting for a Girl Like You..... Foreigner**  
**One Sweet Day..... Mariah Carey**  
**Introduction of Remembrance Speakers..Nick Cowell**  
**First Remembrance..... Beverly Klose**  
**(1970's Roommate)**  
**Second Remembrance..... Cheryl Riess**  
**Poem, Pardon Me for Not Getting Up by Kelly Roper**  
**Toasts and Stories - First Toast..... Rick Bonnett**  
**Open Sharing..... Anyone**  
**Closing Remarks..... Mike and Gaetana Patton**  
**Song, When I Get Where I'm Going.....Brad Paisley**  
**Dolly Parton**

