



Roxanna "Roxie" Parker

January 27, 1944 - August 8, 2020

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Roxie was born at Enloe Hospital to Dorothy Stutz and George Stutz of Chico on January 27, 1944. She attended Linden, Parkview, Chico Jr. High and Chico Senior High schools. Roxie graduated from CSU Chico with a teaching credential. She returned to Chico Senior High School to teach Home Economics for more than 30 years. Roxie knew at a young age she wanted to teach school. She embraced her students and was always available to each of them. Many of her former students continued to be in contact with her up to the day she passed. Roxie also owned a retail store for many years, Teddy Bear Junction, with her dear friend Linda Higby. She loved going to work in the store every day after school and hired some of her students to work there throughout the years. Roxie was so loved by family, friends, students and will always be remembered for her generosity and selflessness to others, especially those in need. One of her many passions was in planning parties. She hosted many class reunions at her home, planning friends' weddings, hosting birthday parties and was always the family member that hosted holiday gatherings. Her creativity and imagination for decorating was phenomenal. She just loved cooking for large groups. She was even known to wrap many friends holiday gifts and make holiday pies for them. Roxie is survived by her Sons, Scott Parker and Robert Parker, Brother George Stutz, Sister Nancy Stutz Taylor, Stepsister Judee Templeman, Nephews Greg Taylor and Ed Richeson, Nieces Susanna Taylor Dewey, Carrie Castro and Deanna Rakes. Great Nephew, Cole Taylor, Great Niece Iris Taylor. Roxie will be greatly missed.

Comments



“ Mrs. Parker was the best! She was my Foods/Nutrition teacher and I had her for a Parenthood class. She made personal connections with all her students, she made us feel welcome and a part of Chico High. Nice, kind, thoughtful, funny, empathetic and patient is how I remember her. I'll always remember the fun I had in her class. (Also, she let us watch TV while the OJ verdict happened)

Peace and much love,
Abe Simmons

Abe Simmons - August 19, 2020 at 02:13 PM



“ Roxie was one of the most generous, hard working woman I've ever know. I was fortunate to have know this great friend for more years than I can remember. From CHS to Teddy Bear Junction and beyond. We shared many laughs and stories throughout the years and I will cherish each and every one. God Bless you Roxie
Love, Marlene & Roger

Marlene Merlo - August 17, 2020 at 12:49 AM



“ The top of my personal memories of my dear sweet cousin was the phone call she made to me on my wedding day. I was touched by her caring words...then later the surprise baby shower with family!
Roxie gave her all when organizing our family reunions or when caring for a lost or sick animal. She taught more than students in a classroom, she showed me what courage and strength looked like when facing illness.

Light & Love to all who knew Roxie.

Mary Stone Xx

Mary Stone - August 15, 2020 at 07:26 PM



“ I feel fortunate to have met Roxie 30 plus years ago through Nancy and Susanna. Like so many I have unlimited memories of her. One of the many happened on a busy day at Teddy Bear Junction. I was helping wrap presents. On my FIRST package I was quickly corrected on how to "properly" wrap it. Lesson learned and never forgotten. Do you know the side flaps always point down!! Done properly, you only need 3 pieces of tape for an entire present. That's how I was taught!

Fast forward to 2008 when our Bunco group was formed. Each month laughter, more laughs, friendships and an abundance of fun! Monthly, we have to refresh ourselves on the rules, moving to which table? Who is my partner? Nothing is more entertaining then 12 Bunco Babes trying to roll to 21 points! Our next Bunco will have a missing babe!

In between those years I will remember Roxie for being kind to everyone. I will remember T B J and how everyone stopped by there to just say hi, or buy a beanie baby. I will remember that I could borrow anything lacking from my own party supplies. I will remember her stories, her smile and being a genuine friend to so many.

Roxie you are now surrounded by peace, love and hugs.
much aloha, Joanie and John



Joanie & John - August 15, 2020 at 12:37 AM



“ You do know that she learned how to properly wrap a gift was because when she was a kid she would unwrap her presents see what she was getting and then wrap them back up

susanna dewey - August 15, 2020 at 07:08 PM



“ Roxie was my Home Economics teacher at Chico High. There were many days when I went to her classroom at lunch time to avoid the drama of being on campus with so many kids. She was always warm and welcoming, and her classroom was a safe place. Roxie became my friend later in life. I shopped for many of my children's stuffed animals at Teddy Bear Junction. I will always hold a special place in my heart for Roxie, as she was very dear to me. Sending love and heart felt sympathies to her family.

Marcia Myers - August 14, 2020 at 08:50 PM



“ Mrs. Parker was one of my teachers at Chico Senior High in 1980, and she was such a wonderful soul. She really loved her job & the kids she taught. Heart felt sympathies to her family, may she rest in peace.



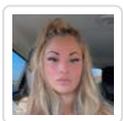
Beckee Mathison - August 14, 2020 at 01:54 PM



“ Jan Greslie lit a candle in memory of Roxanna "Roxie" Parker



Jan Greslie - August 14, 2020 at 11:41 AM



“ Mrs Parker I love you always I'm thankful to have had you as a teacher and a life long friend ! Until we meet again



Davina Marie - August 13, 2020 at 10:42 PM



“ Russell Williams lit a candle in memory of Roxanna "Roxie" Parker



Russell Williams - August 13, 2020 at 02:35 PM



“ Judee Templeman lit a candle in memory of Roxanna "Roxie" Parker



Judee Templeman - August 13, 2020 at 11:50 AM



“ Many knew her as Roxanna, Roxie or Ms. Parker. I was lucky enough to have called her Aunt Roxie. She bought me my first teddy bear when I was born and when was old enough too come have sleep overs at her house she had a bag made that said going to Aunt Roxie’s house. She was the one that when I was little and the show Married with children came out and my mom said I could not watch it, Aunt Roxie and I made sure that the night it was on was a sleep over night at her house. She started teaching me how to cook before I could even reach the counter. She bought me my kitchen aid mixer as soon as I had my own home and it is because of her I enjoy cooking and am never afraid to try a new recipe. It was Aunt Roxie who I ran to when mom told me I could not live in her home if I got my belly button pieced, she said I always have a place at her home (so of course mom got over it and did not kick me out). When I told Aunt Roxie I needed a chihuahua in my life she found one and got it for me and even helped me with the vet bills till I had a good job and was able to pay them myself. Coco was a great dog and helped me though some tough times. I was blessed to have my wedding at her home and have her and my mom in charge of all the planning. My Aunt Roxie had a gift when it came to party planning. I got married pre-pintrest time and the details she added to the Wedding were amazing. She never complained about all the work, but instead enjoyed every minute of it. My Aunt Roxie was an amazing, smart, talented and strong woman. She helped me to become the woman I am today. She loved me and I will always love her. Aunt Roxie you will be missed. Xoxo



Susanna Dewey - August 12, 2020 at 11:33 PM



“ Beautiful tribute Susanna

Linda Higby - August 13, 2020 at 03:14 PM



“ Thank you for sharing your wonderful aunt and my dear cousin...I am sharing with the rest of the family....Love, Suzie

suzie stone - August 13, 2020 at 10:19 PM



“ A truly genuine friend. I am so thankful for Roxie's friendship.

Linda Roberts

Linda - August 13, 2020 at 11:38 PM



“ My friendship with Roxie started when I was 14 she was there for my wedding to the day 55 years prior to her passing! She was there when my children were born and the day before she passed she shared her love verbally to my daughter and husband! Roxie was my IDOL and Mentor we refurbished furniture in the 70s like we knew what we were doing! Painted houses inside and out made Teddy Bear clothes and I could go on and on! Over the past couple years she has really spent a lot of time at our house! Upon leaving she

would Thank Us for sharing our family with her.. I have always said God Works In Mysterious Ways Roxie and I have actually had a couple conversations about her dying! She was getting tired of fighting to live and is in a much better place! Until we meet again our special friend we love and miss you!

Nancy Wrinkle - August 14, 2020 at 12:02 AM



“ Thank you for sharing. You having given me great comfort. I would like to think that Roxie is free of her pain and suffering and in the light now...

Suzanne - August 15, 2020 at 06:23 PM



“ Beautifully said Susanna, you shared a very special bond.

Marlene Merlo - August 17, 2020 at 01:02 AM



“ Leola Smith lit a candle in memory of Roxanna "Roxie" Parker



Leola smith - August 12, 2020 at 10:59 PM



“ Loved growing up with her she was such fun. She could drive nancy and I around so we were cool before we could drive. Lots of fun times.

Leola Smith - August 13, 2020 at 10:55 PM



“ Kyle, Julia, Rowan Willette lit a candle in memory of Roxanna "Roxie" Parker



Kyle, Julia, Rowan Willette - August 12, 2020 at 01:31 PM



“ Ernie Willette lit a candle in memory of Roxanna "Roxie" Parker



Ernie Willette - August 11, 2020 at 08:06 PM



“ Cousin Carol lit a candle in memory of Roxanna "Roxie" Parker



cousin carol - August 11, 2020 at 08:05 PM



“ Christi lit a candle in memory of Roxanna "Roxie" Parker



christi - August 11, 2020 at 07:51 PM



“ My earliest memories of Roxie are at Linden School in Chico and then going to Martha’s for a snack or spending the night. Roxie was always friendly to everyone and enjoyed so many different things throughout the years. We did Bluebirds and made pottery at the house on 8th. She was truly an important part of my childhood that reached far into our adulthood too.
I feel really lucky to have had Roxie as a friend. All my love to Nancy and the family.
God Bless,
Gayle Poore POLEN

Gayle Poore Polen - August 11, 2020 at 05:38 PM



“ Oh mizz Parker , you were the best teacher ever! My mom was so excited to tell me she got to talk to you at Stanford! You will and were my angel ! Thanks for being the most amazing woman! I will never forget you or our you know! Love you ! Now you and my mama can chat up there! My love goes out to your family/ boys!

Lorrie Rodriguez - August 11, 2020 at 01:52 PM



“ Larry Taylor lit a candle in memory of Roxanna "Roxie" Parker



larry taylor - August 11, 2020 at 08:34 AM



“ My wonderful memories of Roxie are many. They consist of High School memories and the many "Mini Reunions that Roxie hosted at her home over the years. To me Roxie was the "Queen" of the Chico High Class of 1962.

Tommy Herseth - August 10, 2020 at 10:10 PM



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Gregory Taylor - August 10, 2020 at 10:08 PM



“ One of my first great memories is when I was about to turn maybe 5 years old. So Roxie was only around 9. She went to the bakery and bought some cupcakes. My birthday was very close to Easter so the cupcakes had green frosting, jelly beans to represent Easter eggs, green coconut for grass and pipe cleaner stuck in cupcake so they look like Easter Baskets. She had two little neighbor girls come over and we had a little party. That was in the days we did not have big elaborate parties. So at 9 she was also putting on parties for people. I was so excited and have never forgotten her kindness. She continued the rest of her life doing kind things for people and always the first one to have a party for a friend, decorating for friends weddings, wrapping friends Christmas presents and making holiday pies for many friends. This was one of the biggest joys of her life. I will miss you my dear sister.

Nancy Taylor - August 10, 2020 at 09:46 PM



“ My Aunt Roxie would get me a Tower Records gift certificate for Christmas Eve every year. After she cooked dinner and cleaned all the dishes it would be 10:00 p.m. at night. If you remember Tower stayed open until midnight? She would then take me to Tower to go spend that gift certificate that I had just received. She knew that was important to me. Everyone knows that she loved making people happy. Roxie was a very prominent figure in my life and was always there. I could write for days about her but the only thing that I can say right now is that I loved her so very much and she can never be replaced. I love you, Greg

Gregory Taylor - August 10, 2020 at 09:43 PM