


Patricia A. Rund, 55, died September 1, 2007, after a long battle with cancer. She was born January 8, 1952 in Rockford, IL. Her family moved to Phoenix in 1954. She attended St. Thomas the Apostle grade school and graduated from Gerard High School, class of 1970. In 1971, she graduated from the Phoenix Academy of Beauty as a licensed cosmetologist.



In 1974, she answered an ad in this newspaper looking for a nanny to accompany some children on a bus trip to Champaign-Urbana, Illinois where all of her relatives happened to live. She moved there to experience life in the mid-west, both in town and on the farm. She returned to Phoenix in 1977. She is survived by her daughter, Nicole Rund, her mother Margaret Rund, and her brother, Joseph Rund; niece Roxanne Rund, nephew Timothy Rund, his wife Jovan and her joy, her great-nephew and her lizard-catching apprentice, James Rund. She was preceded in death by her father, Anthony Rund and her brother James. She enjoyed sharing her birthday with Elvis and was happy and helpful to everyone. She enjoyed foreign movies, classical music, and her pets. Her dog Zoe and her cats Jasmine, Toby, and Kitty (Kitinka) will miss her greatly. A visitation will be held Sunday, September 9th at 5:30 p.m. with a Rosary to follow at 7:00 p.m. in the chapel at Whitney & Murphy Funeral Home, 4800 East Indian School Rd. A Funeral Mass will be held at St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church at 24th Street and Campbell, Phoenix, at 10:00 a.m. on Monday September 10th. Memorial donations can be made to Hospice of the Valley, 1510 East Flower, Phoenix, AZ 85014; or to the Wellness Community of Central Arizona, 360 East Palm Lane, Phoenix, AZ 85004. Both of these organizations gave her strength during her illness. Interment will be at St. Mary's Church in Pesotum, IL at a later date.