



Victoria Stapp

May 21, 1950 - May 24, 2016

Vicki was born on May 21, 1950, in Springfield, Ohio, to Roger Cain and Marianne (Campbell) Cain. A graduate of W. T. Woodson High School, in Fairfax, Virginia, near Alexandria, where she met Thomas H. Bethart, and they dated throughout high school and college. Vicki attended the Virginia Commonwealth University, Medical College of Virginia, and graduated on June 3, 1972, with a Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree. In June 10, 1972, Vicki and Tom were married in Mt. Prospect, Illinois, where Vicki's father, Roger, worked, and continued to reside in the Alexandria area. Vicki worked at a local hospital, and when Tom went to active duty with the Air Force, moving them to Dover, Delaware, where Sally Marie Bethart was born in January 1974. When Tom was stationed on a remote assignment to Korea, Vicki and Sally stayed in the Alexandria area for a year. When Tom returned, the small family moved to Lackland Air Force Base, in San Antonio, Texas, for 6 months. In 1976, Vicki, Tom, and Sally moved to Jacksonville, Arkansas, where, in July 1976, Andrew Thomas Bethart was born. While in Jacksonville, Vicki and Tom divorced, though they remained friends throughout Vicki's lifetime. While living in Jacksonville, Vicki attended a Parents Without Partners meeting, where she met Ronald Stapp, and they eventually were married on May 17, 1980. Vicki's family quickly grew to include Sally, Andrew, Ron, and his two children, Robert Stapp and Tina (Stapp) Smith. During her time in Jacksonville, Vicki worked for the Pulaski County Visiting Nurse Association and the Fort Roots VA Hospital, where she received the Special Advancement

for Performance Award in 1984. Vicki also was involved with the local Girl Scouts troop as the Cookie Mom. The family moved to Hickam Air Force Base, in Honolulu, Hawaii, in 1985, residing there for 14 months. Vicki and her family then moved to Niceville, Florida, after Ron received orders to Eglin Air Force Base. While living in Niceville, Vicki worked at North Okaloosa Medical Center, starting as a staff RN, and advancing to Case Manager, and eventually Director of Risk and Resource Management. Vicki earned her Certified Professional in Healthcare Quality (CPHQ) certification. Vicki began volunteering at Pet Welfare on Eglin Air Force Base, where she assisted dogs and cats in need, fulfilling her lifelong passion of helping animals. She dedicated much of her free time as the coordinator of the dogs and the vaccinations of all the animals. Most importantly, Vicki was the television spokesperson for Pet Welfare on WEAR 3 Pet of the Month. She had to wake up at 3am to drive to Pensacola with the chosen pet to be on live TV for the 6am news. Vicki and Ron moved to Ocala, Florida, in 2003, where Vicki began to work at Munroe Regional Medical Center in the Risk Management Department and Quality Assurance until leaving in late 2011. Whenever able, Vicki volunteered her time to help animals in need, including working with rescued and injured owls at the Ocala Wild Life Sanctuary. They enjoyed bowling in a league and taking motorcycle rides exploring Florida with friends. Vicki will be long remembered for her love and passion for animals large and small. She was a chocolate-holic, especially M&Ms. She even went so far as to getting hypnotized to try and cull her M&M addiction. She was in love with all things Tom Selleck, and enjoyed the opportunity to meet him and get his autograph in Honolulu. Vicki was always crazy for the Beatles and John Denver. She loved Broadway musicals, especially Les Miserables and Phantom of the Opera. Ron took Vicki to New York City to Broadway to see Les Miserables, Miss Saigon, and Phantom of the Opera. She was a Trivial Pursuit champion. She also had a strong dislike for jello and green beans. Vicki always had a smile and kind words for everyone. She loved people and would go out of her way to help whenever she could. Vicki is

survived by her loving husband of 36 years, Ronald Gene Stapp, of Ocala, Florida; her daughter, Sally Marie Bethart, of Gainesville, Florida; her son, Andrew (Romilly) Bethart, of Colorado Springs, Colorado; her son, Robert (Nion) Allen Stapp, of Austin, Texas; and daughter, Tina Marie Stapp Smith, of Austin, Texas; grandchildren, Brayden Cole Bethart, Everett Cale Bethart, Gavin Xander Stapp, Logan Riley Stapp, Conner Reed Smith, Riley Paige Smith; mother, Marianne Campbell Cain; mother-in-law, Wilma Verdell Stapp; sister, Laura (Michael) Povich; and brother, Robert Cain. Vicki was preceded in death by her father, Roger Willard Cain; father-in-law, Virgle Oneal Stapp; and granddaughter, Kaitlyn Reese Smith.

Tribute Wall

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“ We will fondly remember our New Years Day Picnics and lovely dinners. Our hearts are heavy but we hold the memories close. Godspeed my friend. Godspeed.

Joanne and Brian - May 31, 2016 at 12:00 AM