

Gail Parker (Short)

AUGUST 31, 2018

With heavy hearts, the family of Gail Parker (Short) announces her peaceful passing, surrounded by loved ones on Friday, August 31, 2018 at the age of 59.

Gail is survived by her husband, Perry Parker; daughters, Melissa (Chad) Miller, Myranda Norem, step-daughters, Trish (Mike) Snell, Brandi (Scott) MacDonald and step-son, Shane Parker; grandchildren, Brayden and Saydee, Caelen and Lochlan and Brianna and Savannah; her mother, Joyce Short; mother-in-law, Trudy Parker; sister, Marlene Curtis (Merv); brother, Gary Short (Bonnie); sister-in-law, Terry (Mike) Paull; brother-in-law, Rick Parker; nieces and nephews, Jena Short, Michael (Kim) Short, Brian (Kristy) Short, Ashten Curtis and Jay Curtis; great-nephews and nieces, Hannah, Lucas, William, and Hunter; cousins Bonnie Lou (Kevin) Walker, Dixie McCullough, and the rest of the McCullough family; special friends Wayne and Theresa Kinzel (May, Angela and Mandy); and many other friends and extended family.

Gail was predeceased by her father, William Short; father-in-law, Don Parker; grandparents Lester and Sadie Barr; aunt Shirley Patterson; great-aunt, Irene McCullough; and cousin, Donna May Patterson.

Gail was born on December 22, 1958 and lived most of her life in Red Deer but held a special place in her heart for the Gimlet community where she lived from 1981 -1992. Gail touched many people in her life and will be remembered for her



selflessness and the love she gave freely to those around her.

Gail met the love of her life, Perry Parker in 2005 and they spent several wonderful years together. They were married in a private ceremony in Niagara Falls while on a cross Canada tour they took in 2016.

Gail was a dedicated mother who spent many summers camping, spending time with her parents and following her girls around the province to watch them in activities and rodeos. Her daughters and friends lovingly referred to her motorhome as the 'food wagon' as she was always sure to bring enough food to cook for everyone around.

Gail fiercely loved her grandchildren who she spent much of her time with on their visits to her home and following them around to their various sports and activities. Gail became an avid hockey fan after her first grandson Brayden began playing hockey. She travelled near and far to watch him play and rarely missed a game.

Gail fought her illness with the same grit and grace in which she lived her life. She will be lovingly remembered and missed by her family and friends who are eternally grateful for the time they had with her.

At Gail's request there will be no funeral service. In lieu of flowers please make donations to the Red Deer Hospice Society, 99 Arnot Ave, Red Deer, AB T4R 3S6 or the charity of choice in Gail's memory.

Messages of Condolence

We were very sorry to hear of the passing of Gail. Our thoughts are with her family during this very difficult time. I know Gail will be missed.

Rest in peace.....rest easy Gail...

Brian and Lynanne Good

— **Lynanne Good**

I was saddened to read this morning that Gail had passed away. She was such a great lady and very loyal to all that knew her. I enjoyed our visits and our few times working together at the Credit Union over the years. My condolences to her family. Please remember the good times and she isn't far away in your heart.

— **Jolene Santee**

We are so sorry to hear of Gail's passing, our deepest sympathy and condolences goes out to you Perry and all the family.

— **Jim Barr**

Dear Melissa and family,

We send you our deepest sympathies. We keep you tenderly in our hearts during this very this very sad time. Rejoice in the memories and remember that all that was beautiful in your mother continues to bless our world through you and your family.

All our love, Jeanne and Gord

— **Jeanne and Gord Davis**

My thoughts are with you as you say goodbye to a wonderful, caring and compassionate woman. I am blessed to have known her and am certain that Heaven just became a little brighter. May the memories in your hearts help comfort you.

— **Wendy Reimer**

This is so sad to hear of your mom passing Myranda And Melissa . I thought of her often she really touched my heart and i wish for you to always remember her beauty inside and out

— **Shelly Fraser**

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Sending you lots of love and hugs. Thinking of you☐

Tammy and Mike

— **Tammy and Mike Chamberlain & boys**

I am so sad, condolences to all the family, Gail was a good person and she was always welcome to help with the rodeo at Gimlet. She worked long hours at that, which was appreciated by all. Loved her☐

— **Gail Casey**

Such beautiful words to honor such a beautiful soul. My heart goes out to all of Gail's close family and friends whom she was so special to in their lives. She will never be far from you because when a life is so well lived, she is forever close to your heart.

— **Barb (Jones) Heinzlmeir**

Rest in peace Gail. Thinking of your Perry.

— **Neil E. Thomson**

Our deepest condolences on Gail's passing. I worked beside Gail for many years and we had a great number of wonderful experiences together. Too many and too much laughter to go into details. Gail will always be remembered and her spirit will live on indefinitely in her family.

Phil and Wendy Cruickshank

— **Phil and Wendy Cruickshank**



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