Jayne Smith

November 13, 1931 - April 15, 2004

Jayne Smith, formerly of Wheatland, died in Vista, California on April 15, 2004 at the age of

Jayne was born Anna Jane Smith in Wheatland on November 13, 1931, the daughter of Ed and Minnie (nee' Balmer) Smith. She married Ray Roff Jr. in Corpus Christi, TX on October 10, 1953 where he was a Naval Cadet. Both she and Ray were 1949 graduates of Wheatland High.

After Corpus Christi Ray and Jayne moved to San Diego, and then Maryland where Ray worked at the National Security Agency. Later it was back to California. In between tours to Viet Nam in the 1960s, the family remained in San Diego. Ray was a naval aviator. He flew fixed wing aircraft, including A-4 Skyhawks and later switched to helicopters. The family moved to Naval Station Argentia, Newfoundland, Canada in 1968. Two years later the family moved to Naval Air Facility El Centro, California. Ray retired in 1972 and the family moved to Wheatland. Ray and Jayne had three children Doug Roff of San Diego, CA, Randy Roff of Encinitas, CA and the late Laurie Roff of Wheatland. Ray died in 1981. Jayne married Paul Smith in 1992. At this point her name officially became Jayne Smith Roff Smith. In 2002 she moved to California near her sons, daughtersin-law, and 4 grandchildren.

She is preceded in death by her mother, father, brother Merle, sister Frances, 2 husbands, and her daughter Laurie. She is survived by her brother Laurel Smith of Wheatland; sons Doug and Randy; 5 grandchildren; 3 nieces - Kathy Grandia of Calgary Canada, Sally Albers of Dallas, and Nancy Griffin of Jacksonville, AR; 2 nephews - Verne Smith of Laramie & Jarvis Windom of Wheatland, extended family and many dear friends.

Jayne loved music, and played the piano, harmonica and accordion. She was a twirler with the High School band. She sang in every church choir she could. Jayne had a passion for painting. She painted with oils and water color, and occasionally used pen and ink. She also loved to cook, especially for formal occasions. Jayne attended one semester of college after high school. Later after Ray died she attended Laramie County Community College. During college she stayed at various times with her daughter Laurie, and with Dot and Gary Graves.

A memorial service is planned for 10 a.m. on May 21, 2004 at the United Church of Christ in Wheatland.