



## Theresa Ann Neal

October 21, 1957 - February 28, 2018

The bereaved family of Theresa Ann (Gurdak) Neal, born in Chicago, IL. on October 21, 1957, must regretfully announce her sudden death on February 28, 2018. She was found at home, peacefully in her bed, in Missouri where she had lived since 1992 with her loving and devoted husband of 26 years, John R. Neal, until his death on July 17, 2015.

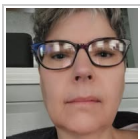
Theresa is survived by her mother, Jacqueline, and stepfather, John Devlin, of AL; her sister, Sharon, and brother-in-law, Ed Walsh, of RI; her brother, Mike, and sister-in-law, Beth Gurdak, of IL; her brother Steve Gurdak, and partner, Karen Ford of IL; her step-sister, Janet Frenecki of CA and, step-brother, Jeff Devlin, of WI. Theresa also leaves behind nieces and nephews: Krysten, Michael, Jacqueline, Natalie, Chyenne and Tehya, as well as, many, many family members, friends, and neighbors across the United States who will sorely miss her smile, animated personality, sarcasm and big, sentimental heart.

Theresa enjoyed creating with her hands and had a brief career as a Journeyman Carpenter in Chicago. Her building skills allowed her and John to even flip a few homes in Illinois and Missouri. She also loved talking and interacting with people which made her a great bartender and sometime cook at a number of establishments in Illinois and Colorado. Her very first and her last jobs were in the banking industry which utilized her expertise with

numbers. Her flower gardens and houseplants were a testament to her 'green thumb', and her love of elephants is displayed in her adorable pachyderm collection. We love you, Tess, Treese, Terry, Treesie, Theresa!

Services will be of a private nature for immediate family only.

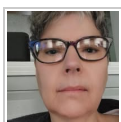
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“ *Linda Wojcicki Wheatley lit a candle in memory of Theresa Ann Neal*



Linda Wojcicki Wheatley - March 24, 2018 at 09:38 PM



WE ARE SO VERY SORRY FOR YOUR LOSS MIKE. THIS NEWS HAS SADDENED & SHOCKED US. SENDING PRAYERS & COMFORTING. VIBES YOUR WAY. MUCH LOVE <3

Linda Wojcicki Wheatley - March 24, 2018 at 09:43 PM

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“ *I graduated from 8th grade with Theresa. She was such a nice, sweet girl, Always a smile. My condolences to her family.*

Christine - March 24, 2018 at 09:34 PM

CA

“ *Cecil and I ,during the family reunion, listened to Theresa 's life as a carpenter ,a pioneer for women in the carpentry trade. She really was a trailblazer. I will always keep her in my though when I see a house is being built.*

Cousin Mary ann - March 19, 2018 at 05:47 PM

KC

“ *My favorite memory is her laugh! It is one i'll never mistake for anyone else. She was a very warm hearted person. I'll miss you Theresa!*

Karen Siglasky( cousin) - March 19, 2018 at 05:41 PM