



Cheryl Horner

May 1, 1958 - July 21, 2017

Cheryl Diane Horner (Simmons) peacefully passed away on July 21, 2017 in Las Vegas, Nevada, surrounded by the presence and love of her family. Cheryl was a beloved wife, mother, grandmother, daughter, sister, aunt and friend. She had impeccable wit, brilliance, compassion and a love for life and God. Her friends and family will always remember her spunkiness, her fire with any argument and her sweet soul. Cheryl was born on May 1, 1958 in Lincoln, Nebraska, graduated from Sunnydale Adventist Academy in Centralia, Missouri in 1977, earned a degree in Nursing from Pacific Union College in Angwin, California in 1980 and a Juris Doctorate of Law from Southwestern University School of Law in Los Angeles, California in 1991. She was admitted to the California State Bar and the Nevada State Bar in 1992, taking and passing both state's Bar Exam in the same year. She started her law career having the privilege of working as a law clerk for the Honorable Lloyd D. George of the United States District Court for the District of Nevada from 1992-1994. She then spent the next 20 years working in Las Vegas, Nevada and Sacramento, California with several law firms, including her own, Horner Law Firm, that specialized in healthcare legal representation. Not only was Cheryl a talented and successful attorney, she also had the gift of music, being an accomplished pianist and vocalist. Cheryl used her versatile musical talent in her church's worship band and was an integral member of the annual Christmas cantata as the orchestral pianist. Cheryl also expressed her creativity through painting, ceramics, sculpture, and writing. She wrote the

widely read "Woodrow Wolf Wisdom" blog that she started in her later years. Cheryl also was a compassionate health advocate for friends with cancer, providing guidance and support to them through their struggles and recovery. Cheryl is survived by her father and mother, Dr. Jess and Donna Jean Simmons of Joplin, Missouri, her husband, Robert Leland Horner of Las Vegas, her son and daughter-in-law, Christopher and Kim Horner and their son, Benjamin of Ellensburg, Washington, her brother and sister-in-law, Jesse and Laura Simmons of Joplin, Missouri and their three children, Jess IV, Ashley and Alyssa Simmons, her brother and sister-in-law, Drs. Philip and Pam Simmons of Temecula, California and their children, Ethan and Allison Simmons. In lieu of sending flowers or cards, the family has asked for donations or contributions to be made in Cheryl's honor to the Weimar Institute or the Musical Fund at Mountain View Church. <https://weimar.org/donate/info/newstart-guest-fund> There will be a Celebration of Cheryl's Life held on Saturday, August 19, 2017 in Las Vegas.