



Elizabeth Anne Mitchell

December 11, 2021

Beth Anne Mitchell took her Savior's hand on December 11, 2021, following a fatal reaction to chemotherapy. Beth was born in Omaha to Robert and Margaret Henningsen on January 31, 1943, their first child. She was joined by brother Robert Henningsen Jr. and later gained a stepfather, Jerome Boyle Sr., who raised Charolais cattle north of Hershey NE. Later she became a big sister to Jerome, Matthew, and Erin Boyle. She adored her siblings. She was adventuresome and quickly adapted to a rancher's life.

Beth attended various schools in Nebraska including Sutherland, Hershey, St. Pat's, and North Platte HS. She was married to Denny Fitzpatrick for 10 years and they were blessed with three children: Matt Fitzpatrick of Johnstown, Denny Fitzpatrick of Fort Collins, and Kathy (Fitzpatrick) Mercure, also of Fort Collins. As a Navy wife, she lived in San Diego CA, Great Lakes IL, and Olathe KS, before moving to Fort Collins in the 1960's where Denny attended CSU. She worked in Real Estate and property management during those years where she made many friends.

She met her husband, Jerry Kaltenhauser in 1982 and they lived together in Seattle, Texas, and Rangely CO before Fort Collins. Beth worked as the Assistant to the Dean of Veterinary Medicine at CSU, and later as a valued administrative assistant to the CSU Engineering Outreach program where she worked on extended, independent assignments. Her coworkers would

describe her as intelligent and capable, a resourceful problem solver who could be counted on. She could be seen giving the needed push whenever a push was needed. She was always ready to help and was persistent in her efforts to ensure that things were done correctly. She finished her work life by retiring from CSU in 2005.

Since retiring Beth enjoyed throwing pottery, gardening, camping, and traveling to fun and exciting places. She had a big heart and cared deeply about others who were less fortunate, giving freely and often. Beth was a fierce advocate for Affordable Housing. She loved animals, always had a special 4-legged friend. In the 1990's she was blessed again with grandsons Jordan Mercure and Sam Mercure, both of Fort Collins. She enjoyed playtime and encouraged exploring the world around them.

Above all, Beth was kind. Always. She was a warm and spirited soul who possessed a good sense of humor but couldn't tell a joke. We are terribly sad, and she will be missed dearly, every single day.

A memorial service will take place at 10:00 am on Friday, December 17th at Christ United Methodist Church in Fort Collins.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

DEC 17. 10:00 AM (MT)

Christ United Methodist Church
301 E. Drake Road
Fort Collins, CO 80526
info@goesfuneralcare.com

Tribute Wall



“ *Elizabeth Anne Mitchell*

October 25, 2022 at 06:14 PM



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Goes Funeral Care & Crematory - December 17, 2021 at 06:20 PM

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“ *My Aunt Beth was always a great example of a life lived as a journey. She was always learning, always doing - often for others - and most importantly, always getting better. Beth was such a talented, thoughtful, and intelligent soul that it's hard to imagine the world without her. If more of us lived as she did, the world would be a much better place.*

Jerry, Kathy, Denny and Matt: I'll always have warm memories of your Mother. I know you will, too. I hope those moments help you through this time and stay strong with you as your own lives go on.

-William

William Henningsen - December 16, 2021 at 10:14 AM

BE

“ I first met Beth at the Pottery Studio on West Oak many years ago. She will be greatly missed by the pottery community! She always had a smile on her face when she came in and I imagine her spirit will be hanging around for many years. May your memories help you through this time of sadness.
Beth Dickson

Beth - December 15, 2021 at 09:59 AM

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Kathy, & family
Sorry to hear about your mom 🙏

Patty Garza

patty garza - December 15, 2021 at 10:39 AM

BS

I also met Beth at the Pottery Studio, where I became Beth the Third. ❤️ She was so kind, generous, and helpful to us newbies. My sincere condolences and hugs to all who loved her.
Beth Sterkel

Beth Meyerson Sterkel - December 16, 2021 at 09:00 AM

BT

I was blessed. To know Beth for a long time. We shared many joys and a few sadnesses. She always had a smile and offered to help many times. We enjoyed several trips and even more laughs with her and Jerry. Her family meant so much to her and they gave her memories and pride.

Barb and Phil Tigges - December 16, 2021 at 09:19 PM

BH

I am so very happy to have some of Beth's pottery. Thank you Beth for being the person you are - a role model to everyone. We will miss you in the neighborhood!

Barbara Hoehn - January 03, 2022 at 02:18 PM