Her Legacy... Patti passed away at her home peacefully in her sleep on Sunday May 5, 2013. She was born and raised in Oroville. Patti was a vibrant and charismatic woman with a profound sense of love for her family and friends. She was always seen with an infectious smile, which was soon followed by a loving hug and a conversation that lasted for days. Patti was one of the world’s greatest listeners as well, often found consoling others and offering great advice to complete strangers she had taken the time to get to know. She was the ideal mother in every aspect. From coaching Bobby Sox to assisting with Safe Grad Night, hauling around carloads of cheerleaders and hosting slumber parties, she was always present and happy to be involved in her daughters’ activities growing up. When her girls approached their teen years Patti began an 18-year career as a public health assistant for Butte County Health Department. In her spare time, Patti enjoyed taking trips to San Francisco, Bodega Bay, Fort Bragg and especially Cabo San Lucas, Mexico with her adoring husband Randy. She was a doting grandmother who loved nothing more than spending time with “the nuggets” in Cabo and in Oroville when they came to visit. Their dog Cabo brought constant joy and filled the void for her when the “empty-nest” syndrome set in.

Her Family.... She was the proud wife of Randy Frieze her rock of a husband for 37 years, the incredible Mother to two beautiful daughters, Kirstin De La Cruz and Mandy De La Torre; beloved mother-in-law to her Latin sons-in-law Julio and Joaquin and doting grandmother to the “nuggets” Karina and Evan De La Torre. Patti was also survived by her parents Frank and Jacqui Ellis, Brother Dale Ellis all of Reno, in-laws Gene and Rita Frieze, Kathy and Dan Hill, all of Oroville.

Her Farewell Service ... a Memorial Service will be held on Monday May 13, 2013, 1:00 PM at Ramsey Funeral Home 1175 Robinson St. in Oroville. Arrangements entrusted to Oroville Funeral Home.