

It is with deep regret that I give notice of the death of **Cathy Kruger**, who was a long-time Delta Sierra member and one of its earliest members. The following article appeared in the Lodi News Sentinel:

Catherine Kruger June 14, 1950 –July 7, 2007 Catherine Kruger, 57 of Acampo, passed away July 7, 2007, at the Hospice of San Joaquin. She was born in Cleveland, Ohio, lived in Stockton, CA a short time, then the Acampo Clements area for the past 15 years.

Catherine was self-employed as a horse trainer and riding instructor, specializing in Dressage (a riding discipline). She also worked for Woodbridge Winery by Robert Mondavi as a Data Collector.

Cathy also enjoyed helping her friends at the Smit Ranch and all the Farmers Markets they attended.

She enjoyed being an instructor at the former TREC –riding for the disabled. She was a member of the Mission Branch Hospital Auxiliary of Lodi Memorial Hospital, as well as a volunteer with many local activities too numerous to list.

Cathy had a thirst for knowledge in all the areas that she worked in. Her love for horses led her to specialize in Dressage. She was a riding instructor that could relate to all ages and levels of experience. She loved nature and all animals, wanting to know as much as she could about all. Ms. Kruger also loved gardening. Because of her work at the winery, she wanted to learn as much as she could about producing the perfect wine grape for the final product. She will be missed by her many friends and the animals she cared for.

Cathy is survived by her sister, Barbara Kruger, and her brother, Richard Kruger, both of Ohio; Uncle Richard and Aunt Bernice of Fairfield, Uncle Oscar and Aunt Charlotte Ibele, Uncle Phillip Steveko, an many cousins in Ohio, as well as many friends.

There will be a memorial service, July 20, 2007, at 5:00 p.m. in a private garden that she enjoyed being in. For information and location to celebrate Cathy s life please call 209-368-9047.

The family requests that in lieu of flowers all memorial donations be given to the Hospice of San Joaquin or the SPCA.

Please sign the guest book at www.lodinews.com/obits. ”