



Frauna J. Schroeder

August 19, 1945 - May 29, 2026

Frauna Schroeder passed away on May 29, 2026 in Rhinelander, Wisconsin from metastatic peritoneal and adeno carcinomas. Frauna was born August 19, 1945 in Portland, Oregon to Milton and Mabel Carskadon. She was raised in Portland, Salem and Hillsboro, Oregon and was a 1963 graduate from Hillsboro Union High School.

Frauna was employed in the human resources field for most of her career. She retired in 2005 from her position as Regional V.P. of Human Resources at Tree of Life/Gourmet Award Foods in Clackamas, Oregon, where she had been employed for fifteen years. Following her retirement, she reentered the workforce in 2017 and served for three years as Library Assistant at Boulder Junction Public Library in Boulder Junction, Wisconsin.

Frauna married her second husband, Lawrence Schroeder, in 1999. They divided their time between Oregon and Wisconsin before settling permanently in Wisconsin in 2013. They shared a love of hiking, biking, fishing and exploring many areas of the United States. Frauna also enjoyed target shooting, mushrooming, photography, making hand-crafted jewelry and reading.

Nature was Frauna's greatest interest over the years, with animals her special passion. Her many pets included a bobcat, two skunks, a possum, flying

squirrels, fancy rats, a guinea pig, a house bunny, and numerous species of snakes and geckos. And, of course, many dogs and cats! Her most memorable vacation trips were two bear-watching tours to Brooks Lodge in Alaska and halibut fishing in Homer, Alaska.

Frauna was dedicated to giving back to the community, volunteering with a wide variety of organizations. She spent six years teaching women's self-defense as a volunteer for the Portland Police Bureau's WomenStrength program. She subsequently co-founded WomanSafe, a company that taught assertiveness and self-defense skills to employees of companies in the greater Portland-Vancouver area, eventually selling the business to her partner.

Frauna also volunteered in Oregon for six years working with her very special Australian Shepherd "Kiesha" doing Animal-Assisted Therapy and Animal-Assisted Crisis Response work, during which time she authored a children's booklet titled "Elwood, A Dog with Heart" to raise awareness about the use of dogs as therapy animals. In addition, she volunteered as a Victim Advocate for Clackamas County, as a handler for OMSI's 12-foot python Bubba, and as a cattery attendant at the Oregon Humane Society. In Wisconsin she provided office support at Necedah National Wildlife Refuge and North Lakeland Discovery Center, and was a library volunteer in Boulder Junction for several years after her time as a Library Assistant.

Frauna was preceded in death by her husband Larry; parents Milton and Mabel Carskadon; her parents-in-law Lawrence and Helen Schroeder; brothers-in-law Wilbur, John and Tom Schroeder and Wes Schmit; and niece Katy Stratton. She is survived by her Sheltie "Kota"; sister Shanna Schmit of Vancouver, Washington; brother and sister-in-law Robert and Linda Carskadon of Newport, Oregon; stepson Peter Schroeder of Portland, Oregon; best friend since third grade Vicki Adams of Portland, Oregon; and

numerous nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews.

Frauna wished to be cremated and her ashes will be buried beside Larry's in their plot at the Town of Quincy Cemetery in Friendship (Quincy Township), Wisconsin. Also included in the plot are the cremains of dogs Kiesha, Ruby and Anna, and cat Somna. There will be no service, but memorial contributions may be made to Best Friends Animal Society in Kanab, Utah: bestfriends.org/inmemory or to the Oregon Humane Society in Portland, Oregon: oregonhumane.org.