

Amanda Jo King

Amanda was born December 8, 1943, at Detroit, MI, to Felix and Marjorie (Goeltz) Merrick. She grew up in Mt. Lake, NJ. She attended the University of Michigan.

Amanda traveled and worked as a street artist in New Orleans and owned and operated her handmade leather shops in Detroit and Helena, MT. She moved to Montana as a placer miner with her first husband, John Scheidecker.

Following her marriage to Richard Sinclair, they ranched and Amanda worked for a bank.

She moved to Billings where she worked for Lextron Animal Health and met Albert W. King, Jr. They married in Billings in April of 2001. They moved to Sturgis, where Amanda continued to work for Lextron until her retirement in 2008.

Amanda Jo King, 68, Sturgis, died Monday, September 17, 2012 at her home in Sturgis.

Survivors include her husband, Al King, Sturgis; sons, Eric (Danita) Sinclair, Helena, MT, and Grant Sinclair, Huntley, MT; stepchildren, Michael (Janet) Stenman, Aiken, SC, Bradley King, Spokane, WA, Bryan (Mary) King, Baton Rouge, LA, Kacy (Gilbert) Diaz, Rapid City, and Kari (Roger) Rose, Rapid City; sister, Liza (James) Zopp, Charlotte, NC; and 13 grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents; former husband, Richard; one granddaughter; and one grandson.

Memorials are suggested to the charity of the donor's choice.

Condolences may be sent to the family at www.kinkadee.funerals.com.

*The family invites everyone to a time of fellowship and lunch
in the church dining hall following the memorial service.
We thank you for your presence and condolences.*

In Loving Memory Of Amanda Jo King

1943 ~ 2012



SERENITY PRAYER

*God, grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change;
The courage to change the things I can
And the wisdom to know the difference.
Living one day at a time; Enjoying one moment at a time;
Accepting hardship as the pathway to peace,
Taking, as He did, this sinful world as it is; Not as I would have it;
Trusting that He will make all things right
If I surrender to his will, That I may be reasonably happy in this life
And supremely happy with Him forever in the next.*

Amen

Amanda and I met 14 years ago and she made my entire world come into focus. From that moment forward I cannot remember a single time when we were not happy together or that I didn't feel an intense need for her hand to be in mine. An old and dear friend that knows me well once told me that Amanda and I really complimented each other. I had to smile as I thought, yea, Ying and Yang. For a woman like her to fall into my life and then even like me was a miracle. I know that Amanda made me better. I know that she gave me balance and a softer side- made me reach higher, stand taller, try harder and care more than I ever did before-and she was proud of ME!

We married in April 2001 and moved to Sturgis-she from Billings and me from Spearfish. We attended St. Thomas Episcopal Church and quickly grew fond of its congregation which ultimately became a big part of our family and life. Amanda was special. She was gentle and considerate but so strong in her beliefs and will power. Amanda had a wonderful way with Art and Design and her tastes emphasized the understated class and an elegance she always seemed to maintain. She was a gentle soul but was fiercely loyal to her friends. She was also every man's dream! She loved to go fishing and drink her red beer or have a glass of wine. She was very good at both. Amanda loved to travel, garden, visit friends and family, and was willing to try most everything from deep sea fishing and diving to parasailing. Amanda was very proud of her Sons and especially her grandchildren. God only gave her to me to keep for a short part of her life- but it was enough to make my whole life worthwhile.

Now I lay you down to sleep. I pray the lord your soul to keep-I love you so.

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Born

December 8, 1943
Detroit, Michigan

Died

September 17, 2012
Sturgis, South Dakota

Memorial Service

Saturday, September 22, 2012, at 2:00 p.m.
St. Thomas Episcopal Church

Gospeler and Homily

Fr. John Wedgewood, Midland, Texas

Officiant

the Rev. Kay Jennings

Prelude Music

Marsha Koster

Organist

Judy Hughes

Lector and Guitar

John Hughes

Musical Selections

"Ode To Joy"
"You Are My Sunshine"

Committal will be at Amanda's home at a later date.

BURIAL OF THE DEAD RITE II

Prelude music

Anthem and prayers begin page 491

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Old Testament: Ecclesiastes 3:1-8

Canticle (all): Sing for Joy, O Heavens

Rejoice Oh Earth

Burst into song Oh Mountains,

For the Lord has comforted his people

And had compassion on their suffering.

(Isaiah 49:13)

Second Reading: Revelation 21:2-7

Psalm 23, page 612

Gradual Hymn: 694

Gospel: John 14:1-6

Homily: Fr. John Wedgewood

Apostles' Creed, page 496

Prayers of the People, page 497

The Serenity Prayer (see bulletin)

The Confession, Absolution, and Peace, page 360

HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Hymn, page 383 "Fairest Lord Jesus"

Eucharistic Prayer A, page 361

All Baptized are welcome to share the Sacrament

Post Communion prayer, page 498

THE COMMENDATION

Hymn: the Kontakian, page 355 (all sing)

Closing music: "You are my Sunshine" John Hughes

"Let us go forth in the name of Christ."

Thanks be to God.