



Mary Jane Garner Mead

September 16, 2008

Salem, SC—Mary Jane Garner Mead, 70, of 134 East Blue Heron Drive, Salem, SC, died Tuesday, September 16, 2008 at Anderson Area Medical Center.

Formerly of St. Louis, Missouri, Mrs. Mead was the beloved daughter of the late Claude M. and Esther Garner and beloved niece of the late Charles and Ruth Lyle. Mary Jane grew up in Clayton, MO, a suburb of St. Louis. She attended Clayton Public Schools and was graduated from Colorado Women's College. She lived most of her life in three regions of the United States: the San Francisco area; St. Louis, MO; and the last 15 years in the Salem, Clemson area of SC.

She was an avid bridge player and lover of animals and animal rescue programs. Her many friends, to whom she was devoted, were in turn devoted to her. Her long-time friend during her childhood years, Barbara Newmark of St. Louis, said of her, "Mary Jane and I walked to school every day. We were very close and continued our friendship until the very end. We shared a love of animals, especially dogs, and supported each other during the puppy stages of our respective pets. Mary Jane's hallmark was loyalty to her friends. She will be missed by many."

Her dear friend, Sue Denigan of Seneca, SC, said of Mary Jane that her

favorite term was “I’m fine”, no matter how bad the situation.

Mary Jane supported Best Friends Animal Society located in Angel Canyon, Utah. The organization is the nation’s largest sanctuary for abused and abandoned animals. In lieu of flowers, contributions in Mary Jane’s memory would be appreciated. The address is Best Friends Animal Society, 5001 Angel Canyon Road, Kanab, Utah 84741.

No public memorial service is planned.

Tribute Wall



“ *Mary Jane Garner Mead*

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