



IN MEMORIAM



LaNorah Colvard

November 20, 2006



LaNorah Colvard, 84, passed away peacefully on November 20, 2006 in Truth or Consequences, New Mexico with her only son, Victor, at her side. Born in Shawnee, Oklahoma, and lived in California with her family. The majority of her life and career was in Albuquerque, New Mexico where she owned and operated LaNorah's, a beauty salon, later opening another salon at La Posada in Santa Fe, as well as schools of cosmetology in both locations.

Throughout her career she was involved with writing and lobbying for laws regulating the licensing and qualifications for cosmetologists state-wide. In 1998 she retired to Elephant Butte, New Mexico where she owned property and recreated with her family for many years. Retirement didn't mean slowing down for LaNorah. She was a very active Charter Member of Elephant Butte Host Lions Club. She helped with every project and had perfect attendance for 6 years. She was a Charter Member of the VFW Post 1389, active member of the American Legion Post 44 Auxiliary, and the Moose Lodge in Truth or Consequences. She participated with the American Legion Ladies Auxiliary in preparing boxes of supplies for servicemen overseas and she organized a group of Ladies Auxiliary Volunteers to provide grooming needs and social interaction for women at the New Mexico State Veteran's Home in Truth or Consequences. In 2005, she received commendation as Member of the Year from the American Legion and in September 2006, she was honored as Grand Marshall of the annual Elephant Days Celebration.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions should be made to the Elephant Butte Host Lion's Club, P.O. Box 1375, Elephant Butte, NM 87935

LaNorah will be fondly remembered for her tireless contribution and example of "giving back" to her community, as she viewed it. A friend to all, a listening ear, a gracious lady, - the glow of her memory will remain in the hearts of all who knew her.

(Picture and article provided by Lion Pat Armstrong)