



Shannon Gail Oliver, of Belgrade, formerly of Helena and Hamilton, passed away Sunday, May 17, 2009 from a cerebral hemorrhage at Benefis Medical Center in Great Falls, MT. She was born October, 25, 1982, at Marcus Daly Memorial Hospital in Hamilton, MT where she attended The Assembly of God School. She moved to Helena, MT in 1991 and attended Four Georgians Elementary School, C.R. Anderson Middle School and graduated with honors from Capital High School in 2001. She attended the University of Idaho in Moscow, ID for one year before transferring to Montana State University in Bozeman, MT where she graduated with honors in 2006, earning a Bachelors of Fine Arts degree. She was employed at Planet Natural, an organic gardening center, in Bozeman.

Shannon has lived with the love of her life, Lucas Crowley, in Belgrade since 2006. She was one of four children born to Gail Oliver of Tacoma, WA and Michael Oliver of Missoula, MT. She was preceded in death by twin brothers, Nathan and Collin.

She is survived by Luke; her parents, and brother, Jan, of Missoula, MT. Other survivors include her maternal grandparents, Clarence and Ellen Neumiller of Vancouver, WA; Luke's parents, Tim and Karen Crowley and their son, Colton, of Moretown, VT.

She was an exceptional artist and enjoyed working with many mediums, mostly metals, jewelry and ceramics. Her works include sculpture presentations of gothic mysticism, metal jewelry renditions, and other modern contemporary art forms. She loved the outdoors and her photographic depictions capture the spirituality of objects often not noticed by others. She loved to garden, was a prolific reader and had a great love for animals. She is remembered by friends and family as a kind, enlightened person who could see things that others did not see, and could feel things that many would never feel. Shannon touched the lives of everyone she met with her enduring positive attitude.

Friends and family are invited to attend a celebration of Shannon's life at 8360 Springhill Community Rd at the Springhill Pavilion outside Belgrade on Sunday, May 24, 2009, starting at 12:00 noon. The family suggests contributions to The Shannon Oliver Scholarship Fund for Aspiring Artists at MSU. Gifts in memory of Shannon may be sent to: Montana State University Foundation, 1501 S. 11th Ave, Bozeman, Mt 59717. Details of the Celebration of Life and Scholarship Fund will be available online at the Shannon Oliver Memorial on Facebook. The family also hopes you will leave your thoughts and memories of Shannon on her Facebook website; email shannonmemorial@yahoo.com.

Shannon will be greatly missed by all and her spirit will continue on in the hearts of those she touched. The energy of her love was felt by everyone, even for the moment in time she shared with us. Arrangements are in the care of Dokken-Nelson Funeral Service. www.dokkennelson.com