

Rhonda S. Crump

Services are today for Rhonda Smith Crump, who died Wednesday near her home in Corralitos. She was 39.

Mrs. Crump was born in Greenville, S.C., and graduated from the University of New Hampshire with a degree in wildlife biology. She was an accomplished wildlife artist, who was interested in spiders, reptiles and most recently amphibians.

She usually created her art with a person in mind, who then received the finished work. Recently her work had turned toward landscape horticulture, in which she was pursuing a degree at Cabrillo College.

She and her husband were both wildlife biologists. Before moving to Santa Cruz they lived in Oregon and conducted habitat surveys on the endangered spotted owl. Before that, she worked for the U.S. Forest Service and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

She is survived by her husband, Donald E. "Kit" Crump Jr. of Corralitos. She also is survived by her parents, Col. and Mrs. Kendell F. Smith, a brother, Jeff Smith, and a sister, Karen Smith, all of New Hampshire.

A celebration of her life will be from 3 to 4 p.m. today at the home of Carleton Eyster, 422 Olive St., Santa Cruz. Private burial will be in New Hampshire. Santa Cruz Memorial Park Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements.

Obituary for Rhonda Smith Crump (Aged 39)

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