



Vicki Wagner

Vicki was Oregon born, however, she spent most of her youth in Boise, Idaho. Her interests there revolved around music, vocal and dance, leading her to become a member of school and church choirs and take dance lessons for several years.

Upon graduation from high school in Idaho Falls, her family moved to Colorado. Vicki however, returned to Boise to attend Boise Junior College where she pursued a degree in business.

Vicki met her future husband, Vern, in Nucla, Colorado while she was home from school for the summer. They married there in December, 1958. Four months later Vern was drafted into the US Army. Upon his discharge in 1961, they began their odyssey of following power line construction; the next eight years they lived in seven states, several towns in each. Each of their three children, Miles, Stacey and Michele were born in a different location; Miles in Nebraska, Stacey in North Dakota and Michele in Colorado. Their last move was on New Year's Eve 1968. Vern was hired by the Adolph Coors Co., where he remained employed for 28 years - they had put down roots in Golden. CO.

Vicki was very happy to be living in Golden. She and Vern found Golden to be a wonderful community to have become rooted in and rear their family. As a family they have spent many years four-wheeling, hiking and site seeing the mountains of Colorado and the Red Rock country of Utah. The next generation & grandchildren, have given them reasons to travel to places they might not otherwise have gone. They currently have two great grandchildren, very dear to them as well, and they have led them to Alaska.

Vicki began her volunteer efforts with their children's school activities...school committees, Scouts, both Boys and Girls, Sunday School Teacher. Volunteerism had always been a part of Vicki's life and continued to be so in Golden. Her next step was to engage by serving on City boards and commissions such as the Citizens Action Team, Golden Urban Renewal Authority, Leadership Golden and others. The focus included the business and events side of Golden such as the greater Golden Chamber of Commerce, Golden Civic Foundation, and the Golden Farmer's Market.

There have been many more volunteer efforts over the years but one of the longest enduring has been serving on the Board of the Golden Visitor's Center. Vicki says "it is the showcase for downtown Golden - thanks to all of you who have come together over the years to benefit the "small town—home town" known as Golden. Golden Landmarks has certainly been instrumental in these efforts."

Vicki continues on the job...for there is work still to be done.