



MY MEMORIAL TO ANN DAY

By Sharon Bronson

Like all of us, I was stunned to discover that former District One Supervisor and my longtime colleague Ann Day had been killed in an auto accident Saturday. Ann was not only a capable public official but a good friend with whom you could disagree without being disagreeable..

She not only represented her District One constituents ably and well, but came from an era that was more civil than today when Republicans such as herself worked across the line with Democrats to solve local problems. During her 12 years on the Board of Supervisors she proved herself to be a tough fiscal conservative but she also had a real heart when it came to everything from youth sports programs to expanding the animal care center by promoting more rescues and adoptions and less euthanizing.

Among her many accomplishments were the creation of Brandi Fenton Park, support for the Sonoran Desert Conservation Plan, and the expansion of soccer programs in conjunction with the retention of horse racing at Rillito Race Track - exactly what you'd expect from a ranch girl who grew up in rural Arizona.

Ann was a common sense cowgirl and understood the need for problem solving and working with others on the Board. She loved to play bridge and she was a bridge builder who sought common ground across party lines when it mattered. My condolences to her family and many friends.