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The GDCNC 2021 Specialty Shows are dedicated to the memories of our friends Cherie Moses, Bob Santimays, and Pam Winter

Cherie loved blues music, colorful gardens, black great danes and purple ribbons. As an integral part of Valinor MVP Great Danes, she was involved in both showing and breeding. Even when she didn't have a dog in the ring, Cherie spent considerable time at dog shows. She started the "JoToGo" coffee concession and for several years greeted bleary-eyed exhibitors at dawn with a brew and smile. After her own diagnosis, Cherie became a passionate warrior in the fight against pancreatic cancer, herself a survivor of nearly 12 years.

Bob was the proud owner of many Great Danes over the years and was an active, long-time member of the Great Dane Club of Northern California. Even after retiring to his home town of Alamagordo, New Mexico, he made the long trek back to Lodi every year to help out with specialty shows. In addition to his love for Great Danes, Bob enjoyed cooking a variety of foods and was known for his barbecued ribs, always accompanied with beer and chili peppers. Bob was quiet, and thoughtful, and was always ready to lend a hand or offer a kind word.

Pam's the first dog was a Great Dane -- she married into the breed in 1981. Thus began her involvement in the fancy, breeding under the Winstar prefix. In the mid-1990s, she discovered the joy of owner handling and loved being in the ring with her dogs. In 2003, Pam became an AKC judge. Some highlights of her "life in dogs" included owning four Top 20 and several BISS Great Danes, owning several Bernese Mountain Dogs (including the #1 Berner in the Country in 2004), and co-owning a Best in Show Sealyham Terrier, a Best in Show Doberman, a top winning French Bulldog and a Multiple Best in Show Mastiff.





