CAROL RAINES HAMMETT, age 61 a devoted wife of Jack C. Hammett of Vienna, Va., died of cancer at John Hopkins Hospital in Baltimore, Md., on Monday October 9, 2000. Carol was born in Little Rock, Ark., to Katherine Rice Raines and the late Samuel Powell Raines. She graduated from Little Rock Central High School in 1957 and from University of Arkansas in Fayetteville with a degree in art in 1961. She was a member of Chi Omega Sorority.

Carol is survived by her mother, Katherine; husband, Jack; daughters, Laura Hammett Millard of Frederick, Md. And Lisa Hammett of Athens, Ga.; sister, Jeanne Raines Ayars of Australia; nieces, Amanda and Alicia Ayars; mother-in-law, Barbara Poe Hammett of Little Rock; and aunt Edna Raines Carter of Little Rock.

Carol was an artist, painting with casein on handmade rice paper. She was included in many group and one-person exhibitions and received numerous awards since 1990. She was a member of the Touchstone Gallery in Washington, D.C. Carol admired art as a part of life, believing that art tells stories necessary to see the world as a delightful place it is. Her paintings drew on childhood memories of home, friends, daily experiences, and conflicts. She pursued the desire we all feel inside to make something that will still exist after we are gone.

A memorial service will be held at her home at 2 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 14 (9135 Ermantrude Court, Vienna, Va. 22182; Contact: HammettArt@aol.com). In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society, 124 Park St. SE, Vienna, Va. 22180.