

## Patricia “ Trish ” Leavitt

Her family includes a daughter, Candace Lund Wright her husband, John Wright, and a son Eric F. Lund. Both of her children live in Colorado, so she was thrilled to be able to trailer her bike out there in March of this year along with her brother, RRJ member Bill Thomeczek, and ride in the mountains for two beautiful 70+ degree days.

Trish has been a member since October 21, 2006, when she learned about RRJ from an ex-boyfriend who was a member of Chapter 1. She attended her first meeting with him. She currently lives in St. Peters, MO, and has been a life-long resident of St. Charles County, growing up in the Cottleville area. Her father and uncle built the house where she lived as a child, digging the basement with a team of horses. They cut the logs for the lumber from her Grandparents farm, and floated them down to the sawmill. The house still stands, and a niece and her family currently live there.

Trish has spent about 22 years of her life driving a school bus and currently drives for First Student in the Francis Howell School District. She also provides home health care for a quadriplegic, who also happens to be her landlord.

This RRJ member currently has two motorcycles. A Honda Shadow 600 and a Honda 750 Shadow, however she explains that she has recently stepped up to the larger 750 and will be selling the 600. When asked about her motorcycle travels, she said she rides about 4,000 miles a year by riding to work as often as possible, and participating in the Patriot Guard missions. She says the missions vary widely from one a week or so to several missions in a day most recently. There are occasional happy missions, such as when they are able to welcome home soldiers who have come back safely. When taking short rides she likes to ride around St. Charles County. When ready to eat she likes anyplace with friends or family, but air conditioning and fried catfish are a MUST!

Trish is a member of St. Joachim and Ann Catholic Church. She says it's special to her because it's the church that came into existence because of overcrowding at her original church in Cottleville where she grew up and went to school. Her favorite memories of RRJ Chapter 9 are the Polar Bear Rides as well as the ride to Hannibal to help launch a new Chapter.

