



Diane Precour Rieschick

June 17, 1954 - April 20, 2018

Diane Precour Rieschick passed away peacefully at home Friday, April 20, 2018. She was 63. Diane fought a long and courageous battle against illness and will be remembered for her fierce will to live. Diane was a third generation Vallejo-an born on June 17, 1954. She was the first of five children born to James and Elizabeth Precour. She had a wonderful childhood and has many fond memories of her family's annual summer family vacations, oftentimes camping trips.

Diane attended St. Basil's elementary school and later St. Vincent High School. She was a proud member of the St. Vincent High School Class of 1972 and continued to get together with many of her classmates until her death. She went on to attend Sacramento State University for her undergraduate degree in Government. She later attended California State University, San Bernardino for her Masters degree in Public Administration while working full-time at Norton Air Force Base. Diane was chosen to be a Presidential Management Intern, a prestigious honor bestowed upon very few people each year. She gained an internship at Edwards Air Force Base and was front and center for all of the space shuttle activity going on back in those days.

She married the love of her life, Don Rieschick and the two enjoyed 35 years of love, friendship, parenting, and travel together.

She worked at Norton Air Force Base from 1977-1980 and then at NASA up until 1986 before deciding to become a stay at home mom to her two children, Katie and Kenny. She later worked at the Benicia Public Library and then at Solano Community College in the reading lab, before retiring. Diane was always very active in the community - she spent her time volunteering in the children's classrooms, she taught catechism at St. Dominic's, was in various PTA officer positions, was on the condo HOA board, was the CFO of the grad night committee at Benicia High School, and participated in various book clubs and finance groups. She also enjoyed her monthly lunches with her girlfriends, bocce ball league with Don, and monthly game nights with their circle of friends. She enjoyed planning trips and traveling the world with Don and oftentimes the kids would join as well.

The family would like to thank the dedicated doctors and nurses and other caretakers for their compassionate care during Diane's illness. Diane's family would like to thank all of our wonderful friends for their support and love during these past couple years.

Diane is survived by her devoted husband, Don Rieschick, two loving children, Katie Rieschick and Kenny Rieschick. She is also survived by her parents James and Elizabeth Precour, her sisters Maureen Johnston, Linda Sanz, Laura Dutch, and her brother Jimmy Precour. She was preceded in death by her daughter Kristen Marie Rieschick. Diane's big smile and huge heart will be greatly missed by the many friends and family who loved her dearly.

Visitation will be from 12-2 p.m. Sunday at Passalacqua Funeral Chapel. Mass of Christian Burial will be held 11:30 a.m. Monday at St. Dominic's Church, 475 East I Street, Benicia. Burial will be private. Family prefers donations to UCSF Helen Diller Comprehensive Cancer Center, @ <http://cancer.ucsf.edu/how-to-help>

Events

APR **Visitation** 12:00PM - 02:00PM

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Passalacqua Funeral Chapel
901 W Second Street, Benicia, CA, US, 94510

APR **Mass of Christian Burial** 11:30AM

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St Dominic's
475 East I Street, Benicia, Ca, US, 97510

Comments



“ I learned about Diane's passing last night and was terribly saddened. I always loved seeing Diane and Don at church. Back when our children were young, Diane gave us some great tips on traveling to Europe with children. We wouldn't see each other often but when we did, conversation was always warm and friendly and would often go in the direction of where we were traveling next. I also had the pleasure of working with Diane at grad night. I was always impressed by her intelligence and humbleness. She fought a valiant fight against a terrible cancer. I pray that she is now at peace. God Bless Don and the family. May you find comfort in knowing that her love and kind spirit will remain in your hearts forever and will help guide you all the days of your lives.

With love, Leigh Ann Hadick and family

Leigh Ann Hadick - April 29, 2018 at 10:22 AM



“ Nothing can replace the memories and special moments that we shared. Soon it will be summer, and I will think back on our Tahoe vacations, our awesome volleyball team, our family moments. When the holidays come there will be a missing cog in our wheel..YOU. I wish for your peace, your love, for more signs from up above. I know that there will be hard days, but I am doing my best to be strong. Sometimes the emotions are like waves in the ocean, they come with something as simple as a song. It was so difficult for all of us to let go, but I know that we will see each other again. Love you so much Linda

Linda Sanz - April 25, 2018 at 01:40 PM



“ I will miss my big sister, Diane. You set the example for all of us on how to handle a devastating illness with grace and strength. You fought the hard battle with Pancreatic Cancer and you were able to make some great memories, even while undergoing some difficult treatments. I admire the way you handled your illness and I am glad you are now at peace

Maureen Johnston - April 24, 2018 at 11:24 PM



“ Love you Sista

Linda Sanz - April 27, 2018 at 10:51 AM



“ You have been a loving niece and a wonderful example to all of us on the importance of living each day to the fullest. Showing us the path of taking the high road in all things that really matter - family and faith. I send my love and prayers to Don, Katie and Kenny and to all our family members and friends. May the memories and times we shared with each other be of comfort in the days and weeks ahead. Diane is at a heavenly reunion with those who went before us.... and we have a new angel to watch over us.
my love, Aunt Marie

MARIE EARP - April 20, 2018 at 03:00 PM