



Susan M. Mann

December 10, 1968 - July 2, 2020

Susan M. Mann passed away unexpectedly Thursday in a local hospital after a short illness. She was born in Fresno and grew up in Santa Maria. She graduated from UCSB in 1991. She has lived in Nevada City and Chicago and has called Benicia her home for the past 15 years. Most recently, she worked as an office manager. Throughout her years in Benicia, she worked upstairs at First Street Café and for more than 10 years with World Projects promoting high school musicians. She had a gift of design and could make anything beautiful. She studied art in Florence, Italy and loved traveling around the world. She had strong bonds with people in many local communities – the arts, recovery, and the church. She served as President of the Board for Arts Benicia for 2 years. She was a proud member of The Father's House Church in Napa. Susan left an impression on everyone who had the pleasure of being in her orbit. She literally would give the shoes off her feet to those who needed them more than she did. What gave her the most pride and the greatest joy was being “Aunt Poosie” to her niece and nephew. Her light will be missed every day.

Susan is survived by her mother Susan C. Mann; sister Jennifer (Steve Castellano) Franz-Castellano; niece Maddie Franz; nephew Jacob Franz; aunt Billie Nuss; longtime family friend, Dick Mooney; boyfriend Bill King; step-nephew Ryan Castellano; step-niece Carly Castellano; her cat Pablo and a host of family and friends. She was preceded in death by her father James Donald Mann in 1993, her brother-in-law Rick Franz in 2004, and her grandma Beatrice Mann in 2005.

During this unprecedented time of social distancing, the family is making all attempts to provide opportunities to grieve together. A visitation will be held on Monday, July 13 from 4-7pm at Passalacqua Funeral Chapel, 901 W. Second Street, Benicia. Due to capacity restrictions, please plan on keeping your visit short to allow everyone the opportunity to pay their respects. Please note that face coverings must always be worn.

Once gathering restrictions have lifted, the family will hold a Celebration of Life where the communities she loved and who loved her will be invited to gather, share their memories,

and honor her.

In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to one of the charities that were special to Susan: www.OneChild.org, www.A21.org, or www.Compassion.com.

Comments



“ With Sympathy Tazo Tea Basket was purchased for the family of Susan M. Mann.



July 15 at 02:20 PM



“ My Condolences to the family of Susan Mann. Susan was one of my favourite customers when I worked in town (grocery business). After my retirement, whenever I bumped into Susan, she would greet me with a big smile and say "Hello." We would chat a little. I will miss her bright smile and warm personality.

Betty Y.



Betty - July 14 at 09:49 PM



“ We miss YOU Susan Marie Mann. Thank you for showing me what a true friend is. Until we see each other again. I love you, Amy Young



JesseDoron Young - July 14 at 04:00 AM



“ I first met Susan in Baltimore many years ago when my uncle Rick Franz was sick with cancer. Susan and her mother took turns staying with Jennifer and her children Maddie and Jake, who were both in diapers, so Jennifer could work and spend time with Rick in the hospital. The morning Rick died in his home, Susan had sat up with

him all night. When she knew it was time, she woke Jennifer to say goodbye. Susan's depth, kindness, compassion, and endlessly supportive nature made an impression on me. I am grateful for the way she took care of my beloved Uncle Rick, and for the way she cared for Jennifer and Maddie and Jake during Rick's illness and after their tremendous loss. Susan was a generous soul and a bright light, taken from us far too soon! I'm sorry I won't get to see her again in this life, and am beyond sad for her close family and friends in northern CA, who will greatly miss Susan's daily presence in their lives.

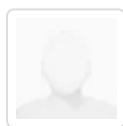
lauren schaub molino - July 13 at 08:39 PM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Susan M. Mann.



July 13 at 07:48 PM



“ I have no words. Susan was a beautiful and extremely special person as is her family. She showed me loving kindness and grace... there are too many memories. My prayers are with Mrs. Mann, Jennifer and all of the family. I wish I could be there today. May the peace of God be with you all.

REMEMBER Suszn thy servant, O Lord, according to the favour which thou bearest unto thy people, and grant that, increasing in knowledge and love of thee, she may go from strength to strength, in the life of perfect service, in thy heavenly kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, ever, one God, world without end. Amen

The Rev. Michael Vinson

Rev. Michael D Vinson - July 13 at 03:47 PM



“ Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Susan M. Mann.



July 11 at 12:32 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Susan M. Mann.



July 11 at 11:28 AM



“ I am truely sadden to hear the news of Susan's passing. My heart goes out to her and may she find peace in the hands of the Lord. My condolences go out to you, 'Ma' Susan. I can only imagine your sorrow and my heart bleeds for you. Susan is and always will be a part of my life. I only have good memories of our time together. She will always be in my heart. I can only hope that if there is anything that I can do, all you have to do is ask.

May the Lord help you through this time.

Sincerely with love,

Jim McKenzie

James McKenzie - July 10 at 07:11 PM