



Tonya M. Anderson

March 30, 1964 - December 29, 2017

Tonya Mary Anderson 53, departed on her last and greatest adventure on Friday, December 29, 2017 surrounded by family and being well cared for with the assistance of Mayo Hospice. She left fully prepared and unafraid of what God had in store next. She was grateful to have had the time to spend and say goodbye to those she loved prior to her death.

Tonya was born March 30, 1964 to John and Arlene Petrick in Eau Claire WI. Following high school, she decided to spend the summer of 1985 in Fairbanks, AK, where she ended up staying for 14 years. While there, she married Harry Jamison Tum and had her two sons John and Adam. Unfortunately, life took a tragic turn and Harry died, leaving Tonya and their two young sons. This prompted the return to Wisconsin to be closer to family in 1999. Three years after moving back she met and married Norman Anderson, to whom she remained married for 15 years.

It was after her return from Alaska that she began her career in nursing, first as an associate degree registered nurse, then earning her bachelors degree, and finally master's degree in nursing. The last four years spent working as a Mayo Clinic Nurse Practitioner, caring for Red Wing MN nursing home residents. Tonya loved her job caring for her patients, not only because of the immense satisfaction from helping others, but because she found the human body and its mysteries absolutely fascinating.

She was preceded in death by her parents John and Arlene Petrick.

She is survived by her sons John Edison Tum and Adam Nathaniel Tum. She is also survived by her siblings John (Dorothy) Petrick, Constance Petrick, Sally FitzGerald, Chris (Herb) Lund Holtz, Laurel Riedel, Corine Twin and Barbara (Vern) Jesse.

She is survived by many nieces and nephews; Jacob, Thomas, Joseph, Sarah, Vanessa, Joanna, Cassandra, Anna, Lindsey, Jack, Ellen, Erica and Kyle.

In lieu of flowers, Tonya supported Branches Church, The Salvation Army, Dunn County Food Pantry and Hope Gospel Mission.

A Celebration of Life will be held at 11:00 a.m. Wednesday, January 3, 2018 at Olson Funeral Home in Menomonie with Pastor Mike Shay officiating. Visitation will be one hour prior to the service.

Events

JAN **Visitation** 10:00AM - 11:00AM

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JAN **Celebration of Life** 11:00AM

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Comments



“ Lahner Family/childhood Friends lit a candle in memory of Tonya M. Anderson



Lahner family/childhood friends - January 03, 2018 at 03:32 PM



“ To Tonya's family,
I am unable to attend Tonya's celebration of her life but please know my heart is with all of you. May you find comfort with all of your wonderful memories of her. She is now with our Lord and there is no longer any pain for her. There will be a memorial donation made in her name to Hope Gospel Mission.
My deepest sympathy,
Deb and Philip Machmeier (friend of Laurel)

Deb Machmeier - January 02, 2018 at 04:34 PM



“ It is with a heavy heart that we say goodbye to our dear sister in law Tonya. She fought a courageous battle with her usual resolve and no-nonsense attitude and will truly be missed. We pray for John, Adam, Tonya's sisters and brother and the extended Petrick family and send sincere condolences to all.
Margarete Tum Engels and Everett L Engels

Margarete Engels - January 01, 2018 at 03:07 PM



“ I am blessed to have spent many walks with Tonya as her neighbor and friend. Prayers are being said for John and Adam and all of Tonya's family, she will be missed. Embrace each memory, and remember she will be with you always in your hearts.

Suzanne Bilse - January 01, 2018 at 02:34 PM



“ John and Adam, I am deeply sorry for the loss of your Mother, and this is a loss I feel as well; I am eternally grateful to have spent 15 Christmas Eve's with all of you. I'll also always remember your Mother's gracious presence and good humor in watching the 1951 version of A Christmas Carol with us every year, and I'll never see it again without thinking of her. Precious Memories, Oh how they linger. And memories of her cooking as well...your house was always warm and welcoming, as was your Mother and those are the thoughts and feelings we have the joy of taking with us the rest of our lives. Love, Jim

James Anderson - December 30, 2017 at 07:50 PM