



Annette Marie Stevens

December 9, 1958 - January 22, 2016

Annette was born on December 9, 1958 and entered into rest surrounded by her family on January 22, 2016 at the age of 57 after a courageous fight against cancer. She is survived by her two children Ashley and Jason Stevens, ex-husband and close friend John Stevens, her sister Cherie Balga, brother Jeff Claverie, and her mother Patricia Claverie.

Reluctant to let cancer win, she lived each day with a positive outlook and upbeat spirit. One of the things on her bucket list read to "use my life as a platform to lead by example and encourage others", and she did just that. She was a loving mother, daughter, sister, aunt, and friend always wanting to give back and help those in need. She loved her children, her animals, and working on her beautiful home. She was also a lover of nature, being outdoors, gardening, and traveling. Her favorite thing to do was to be at the beach and smell the fresh ocean breeze. The sound of her laughter, her sweet smile, and her gentle kind soul will forever live on in our hearts.

Visitation will be held on Friday, January 29th from 5pm-8pm and Saturday, January 30th from 10am-11am with Chapel Service beginning at 11am at Fremont Memorial Chapel, 3723 Peralta Blvd., Fremont, CA 94536. A reception will follow at Annette's home where everyone is welcome to come and continue the celebration of her beautiful life. Also, the family is requesting that guests wear HAPPY colors, no black!

Flowers are very much appreciated but if you'd like to make a donation in Annette's memory please do so to the David Sheldrick Wildlife Foundation.
<https://www.sheldrickwildlifetrust.org/asp/honordonate.asp>

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN **29**. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (PT)

Fremont Memorial Chapel
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Fremont, CA 94536
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Chapel Service

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Tribute Wall

HA

“FREMONT MEMORIAL CHAPEL

HA

Hailee

an hour ago

Hey Auntie,

I hope you are doing amazing in heaven... I know for a fact that you have definitely been there with God watching over me. I hope He shares my messages with you. I miss you so much. I just wish I could see and hear you when I talk to you now. But for now, I'm just going to have to deal with the reassurance that you are my guardian angel and will always be watching over me and listening to me even though I can't see you. There has been so much that has happened since you went to Heaven. I just wish you could come back so I could talk to you about everything. I was accepted into UNR as a pre-nursing major. I know you would be so happy and proud of me. You were always my biggest motivator for continuing to go to school, and being a hard worker. I am working everyday on being that amazing and smart person you always knew I could be. Everything at my job has gotten so much better. It was a miracle that we finally got a new DM and they made the changes that need to happen(I'm sure you were the inforced along side God with that one haha). It's crazy how this all really doesn't seem real to me. Like it's been almost 3 months, and I cannot wrap my head around the idea that you are in Heaven now. I love you so much auntie and miss you each and every day. You were such a role model to me. Not only did you whip me into shape when I needed it, you were always by my side when I needed someone. I can't explain how empty my heart has been without you here but I know that I am making you proud everyday. I love you auntie. I will see you again someday. ❤️❤️

Hailee - April 13, 2016 at 02:26 PM

HA

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Hailee - April 13, 2016 at 01:09 PM

CV

“ I first met Annette when we moved into the neighborhood (we live on Northdale) and we always met up with our dogs for walks. I got to know Annette through small talk about raising kids, enjoying the years when they are young and watching her trying to get her cute dog to stop barking at mine....eventually the barking stopped :). My daughter's love walking by her house, they call it the pretty, yellow flower house. On one of our walks, she came out to say hello, we talked about life, how proud she was of her daughter and son (and also his pending graduation). Annette was a great example of a warm, friendly neighbor that always had great advice, some I really took to heart. I'll miss her. As someone who lost both his parent's at a young age (20's and 30's), through sudden loss and illness... I will say that I try to live my parent's values everyday... I still grieve almost everyday... and that is ok, but I now try to end my day with a memory of their smile... I'm so grateful for the childhood they gave me. I wish nothing but the best for her children and loved ones.
- Chris Valle, Northdale Drive

Chirs Valle - February 01, 2016 at 03:53 PM

PJ

“ Annette's neighborhood legacy is a visual feast. First, her home has always been tasteful, well-maintained, and a pleasure for the eyes. Second, are the daffodils she planted in the parkway spaces on the street outside her home. These bulbs make an appearance announcing the change of seasons, from Winter to Spring. Their color is riotous and rich in its pure yellow. Even as I share this memory, the little bits of green fronds are peeking up through the soil, seeking the sun and I know that mass of color will soon be making the neighborhood bright and cheery again; once more, Annette will be telling all of us to dwell on the happy things around us. Praying for her family, friends, and Annette, herself.
I remain,
Penny Johnson

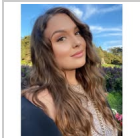
penny johnson - January 30, 2016 at 01:38 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Annette Marie Stevens.*



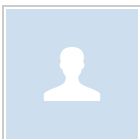
January 30, 2016 at 08:43 AM



“ *Annette has always been more than my best friends mom, she was my absolute second mom and had such a huge part in raising me. I feel so fortunate for the years of memories I got to make with her. I miss our tea time, and all of our talks where I could ask her anything. I miss her jokes and all the laughter we got to share together. I miss her and that's something that won't ever change. I love you forever Netty Poo.*



Jonae Anthony-Hoiten - January 30, 2016 at 02:40 AM



“ *Love Everlasting Bouquet was purchased for the family of Annette Marie Stevens.*



January 29, 2016 at 06:11 PM

DR

“ Annette, AKA NoNo, had the natural ability to hang with the guys. She was always welcome with us. We'll miss her but her great stories will be carried on with us.

Dr. Ronce

Dr. Ronce - January 29, 2016 at 03:12 PM

EB

“ Everyone at BNBT Builders purchased the Sacred Garden Spray for the family of Annette Marie Stevens.



Everyone at BNBT Builders - January 29, 2016 at 11:48 AM

JB

“ I first met Annette at a financial dinner function with her daughter. My wife and I sat down next to them and I could feel how wonderful of a person she was right away. We hit it off and shared many, many jokes and stories which grew our friendship each time we saw one another at the dinners. We exchanged addresses and I sent her Christmas Cards and emails over the years. During the last dinner at Christmas time she shared she moved into Hospice and was doing her best to hang in there until her son graduated from college in May. I told her to stay positive and I am sure you will be there to share that special time with him.

On the day Annette passed she was on my mind from the time I woke up at 3:30AM but got busy with work. Around 7:30AM she again was on my mind and I said I need to drop her a line or two to see how she is doing. Later that morning I received a call informing me that Annette had passed. I have not been able to forgive myself for not taking the time to tell my friend that I was thinking of her and pass on some encouragement to her to hang in there.

One of the greatest compliments I ever received was from Annette when she said I normally would have taken several pain pills by now but you have made me laugh and forget my medical challenges and she thanked me for making her momentarily forget she had this condition. I told her no I want to thank you for showing me that even though we have challenges we can still have fun and enjoy what life we have left.

I have learned a very important lesson from Annette. When someone is on your mind and they have challenges they are going through stop what you are doing and reach out to them right then and there because you might not get another chance to let them know they are in your thoughts and prayers and in this case will be missed very, very much.

Thank you Annette for touching my life and making me feel better, happier, and thankful that I got to meet you. You are a very special

person that will always be an inspiration to me and the others at the dinners. We will miss you and I will certainly toast you at every one I attend.

My thoughts and prayers to your family. I know they will miss your beautiful smile and humor as I will too.

*John Baisey
San Ramon, CA*

John Baisey - January 29, 2016 at 08:21 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Annette Marie Stevens.*



January 29, 2016 at 12:16 AM



“ *I was just thinking of last week when my mom and I were laying in bed together talking about how much we love Adele and want to see her in concert...as bad as she was feeling, she wanted to go online right that moment and buy tickets for her concert in June. She was determined to fight until the end. I miss you so much mom.....so much...love you forever.*

Ashley Stevens - January 28, 2016 at 07:32 PM

CO

We should get a group together and all go in her memory

corey - January 28, 2016 at 09:26 PM



“ *Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Annette Marie Stevens.*



January 28, 2016 at 01:05 PM



“ *All of us at Holguin & Sy Wealth Management purchased the Pink Tribute Spray for the family of Annette Marie Stevens.*



All of us at Holguin & Sy Wealth Management - January 28, 2016 at 12:44 PM

LR

“My head is full of so many silly memories. Annette lived next door when I was born, so there was never a time when Annette wasn't a part of the fabric of my life. I can see her in her snazzy pixy hair do with bangs when we were kids. And there is the highway of bicycles that ran up and down the sidewalk as we all became more mobile and daring. My sister Rita and Annette always seemed to be linked together. Annette was the best friend Rita ever had, even when they were giving each other scars and bruises. Later the bruises were from Baton Twirling. Annette was always so fair skinned that her bruises were the most impressive. She helped me get my very first job at TG&Y, or Trash, Garbage and Yardage as we called it. And she continued to help me stay employed when the economy went bad. But mostly she made everyone laugh. No matter what the situation, there was always laughing. Annette leaves behind some of the most treasured memories of my life and we all feel cheated for the memories we will not be able to make. She loved here children unconditionally and with so much heart. Ashley and Jason, you are truly blessed to have had such a good hearted mother and I hope you take comfort in knowing her only regret was not sticking around a little longer. Annette we will miss you forever.

Linda Rivas - January 28, 2016 at 11:13 AM



“Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Annette Marie Stevens.



January 27, 2016 at 11:29 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Annette Marie Stevens.*



January 27, 2016 at 11:04 AM



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Fremont Memorial Chapel - January 27, 2016 at 10:59 AM



“ *I miss you so much Mom*💕💕



Jason Stevens - January 27, 2016 at 03:37 AM



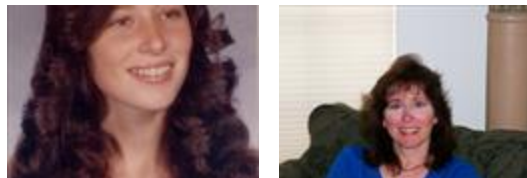
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hailee - January 26, 2016 at 11:30 PM

KM

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Kimberly McCarthy - January 26, 2016 at 11:05 PM

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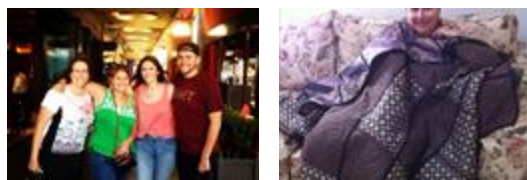
“ My beautiful friend for 30 years, we had so many years filled with love and laughter! Working together for 15 years you brightened my day so many times. You will always be that bright loving angel smiling 🧐 down on me with love and shooting a paper spit ward through a straw over my cubicle wall! 😭😭😭💖🐱 I love you forever Ms. Stevens💜💙💚💛💔 #myBBAFFF



Gayle Savucci - January 26, 2016 at 09:46 PM


Nichole
Caropino

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Nichole Caropino - January 26, 2016 at 09:03 PM