



Lauren Therese Mc Dermott

July 6, 1955 – March 18, 2016

MISSION VEIJO, CALIFORNIA – Lauren Therese McDermott, age 60, of Mission Viejo, California, died on Friday, March 18, 2016, at Mission Hospital after a courageous three year battle with breast cancer. She was the daughter of Frances and Margaret [Carney] Miklas and was born on July 6, 1955 in Lynwood, CA. She was the youngest of seven children and the first to be born in California after the family had moved from Omaha, NE. Lauren was raised in the Whittier area and graduated from La Serna High School in 1973. Upon graduation, Lauren completed her degree at Cal Poly San Luis Obispo. Upon completing school, Lauren started a baking business with store front and factory operations in San Luis Obispo where she gained acclaim for her successful line of baked goods to include introducing the trademarked "Brookie" to the lexicon of the baking industry. On July 7, 1988, she met her future husband Kevin who was in San Luis Obispo on a case and from that point they were inseparable. They married on August 9, 1989 and shortly thereafter moved to their home in Mission Viejo. While residing in Southern California, Lauren was involved with many school and civic organizations including being president of the JSerra High School Girl Volleyball booster club. And perhaps most importantly, she was the biggest fan of her husband.

Lauren had a love and zest for life and was forever steadfast and faithful to her family and her friends. She knew everything about the events unfolding in her husband and children's lives and was often responsible for quietly shaping those events. She was her happiest sharing her home over the holiday dinner table with family and friends.

The next time you see a butterfly.....

She is survived by her husband Kevin, her son Brian of Irvine, CA, her daughter Kerrie of Mission Viejo, her mother Margaret Miklas of Dana Point, CA, her brothers Frank [Zenaida] Miklas of Temecula, CA, Terrance Miklas of Boston MA, John [Bridgett] Miklas of Laguna Niguel, CA, sisters Patricia Barry of Los Angeles, CA, Mary Kay Rosenfeld of Pasadena, CA, as well as numerous nieces, nephews, cousins and friends. She was preceded in death by her father Frances and her sister Colleen Kamel. Funeral services will be held on April 9, 2016 at 1000 at St. Edwards Catholic Church, in Dana Point. A reception will follow at Lauren's Mission Viejo home.

I have and will continue to love you always and all ways

