



Deirdre Robin McKelvey

March 24, 1963 - April 26, 2019

On Saturday, July 13 at 3 pm, we will gather to remember Deirdre (Bruton McKelvey) at the home of Alison Routt Bannister, 10033 Waterford Drive, Ellicott City, MD 21042.

This event will be an informal celebration of her life, at which family and friends will be invited to share memories of Deirdre and thoughts on her passing.

Dress is casual (outdoors), and if weather is warm, bring a swimsuit/towel for a dip in the pool. Food and drink will be provided.

Deirdre died unexpectedly, of previously undiagnosed lung cancer, in late April. She is keenly missed by those who were close to her a?? not only her husband and immediate family, but those with whom she had rebonded after years of struggle with addiction. We take solace in knowing how much she cherished these connections.

We hope you will be able to join us! More info: <mailto:drb2019memorial@gmail.com>

Comments



“ I miss my cousin, my twin so very very much. She was bright, kind and a joy to be around. We vacationed together since our toddler years and were able to take a trip last Sept.(2018) to one of our favorite spots - The Outer Banks. I cherish all of my memories especially those in Deep Creek Lake and Ocracoke Island. I am so proud of her perseverance and determination particularly in her later years. She is an inspiration to anyone struggling to overcome chronic pain and addiction. Be at peace sweet beautiful cousin. I feel your presence often and always carry you in my heart.

Alison Harris Bannister - June 05, 2019 at 12:32 PM



“ Deirdre R. Bruton McKelvey died April 26 of an aggressive form of lung cancer in Chambersburg PA. She was born March 24, 1963 in Chiangmai, Thailand, where her parents served as Peace Corps Volunteers. She grew up in Takoma Park, MD, and attended Montgomery Blair High School, The Field School, and Montgomery College. Deirdre worked for years in the Washington D.C. area as a self-taught computer systems operator. Her marriage to Rob Messenger of Takoma Park ended in divorce. She moved to Greencastle PA in 1999, where she married Larry McKelvey and lived for the rest of her life. Deirdre struggled bravely and successfully to recover from substance addiction. Her last years were filled with the love and joy of rebonding with family and old friends, and caring for her beloved dogs and cats. She will be remembered as an avid crafts person and history buff, an active and passionate advocate for social justice and a change in political leadership, and as a caring friend to those in need. The family suggests memorial donations be sent to Promise Animal League of Boonsboro MD promise.org A memorial service is planned for July 13 in Ellicott City MD. More details soon!

Peggy Bruton - May 04, 2019 at 01:30 PM



“ To the family, My deepest condolences for the loss of your loved one. May the words at Psalm 46:1 and 2 Corinthians 1:3,4 comfort you in this difficult time.

Kee - April 29, 2019 at 05:59 PM