



LESLIE ROBIN SPAULDING

April 19, 1961 - November 18, 2015

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Entered this world on April 19, 1961

She sadly and suddenly left us on November 18, 2015

Leslie was born in San Diego. From the moment she entered this world, we knew she was a force to be reckoned with. While a tiny baby, her personality then-and remained so until the end-was larger than life. When Leslie entered a room, everyone was aware of her presence. That was a good thing.

Leslie was the delight of her grandparents on her mom's side, "Gramma Bennie" and "Bapoo". They lavished her in love and life. In many ways, Leslie was much like her Gramma Bennie. While Gramma Bennie was a little lady, she made up for it in a very large personality, which Leslie inherited!

Leslie was mom to Aimee, 35, and Bart, 30, grandmother to Aimee's children, Tatum, 7 and Rylen, 4. Her relationship with these kids brought delight and true meaning to her life! They adored her as well.

Leslie was daughter to Joyce, sister to brothers Mark and Michael, Aunty to Mark's children, Cole and Cate and sister-in-law to Michelle, Mark's wife. She was loved by numerous aunts, uncles, and cousins and was a devoted friend

to many. And, always the life of any party!

Leslie had many interests, gifts and talents. At a very young age, she became an avid lover of horses, and as an adult, shared that gift with Aimee. Together they rode and competed in equestrian events. Leslie was gifted in the technology world. Hitting the Tech world at the beginning of its monumental rise and never having taken a typing class, she was amazing. She could make the biggest, clunkiest, PC's hum! Her mom was working at Westmont and Leslie wanted to go back to work after Aimee started school. She was offered a position in the IT department there and soon became Director of IT.

In 1993 Leslie, with her extensive history and expertise in IBM systems, joined West Coast Telecommunications and specialized in billing. She excelled in the long distance industry and assumed more responsibility when WCT was acquired by Rochester Telecom, which later became Frontier Communications. Leslie moved on to head all IT at RSL Communications, in Woodland Hills and led the transition of IT operations to Pittsburgh, PA

When the telecom industry went through an economically challenged period; Leslie joined the start-up company; "Light Year Partners". Late she moved to Beijing, China with "eChinaCash", leading a large group of networking and development staff. Through Leslie's leadership, the team created and installed a nationwide database system for the worlds largest oil company "Sinopec", consolidating gas customer's transaction information from over 17 provinces across China.

After several years working in this competitive and stress-filled industry, Leslie returned to the US in search of more meaningful and fulfilling work. She moved from Santa Barbara to Northern California... (Grass Valley/Nevada City) to be close to Aimee, Bart and grandkids. There she entered the skin

care and dermatology world. Not completely satisfied, she became a certified health care provider. In was in this environment she found true contentment and brought much happiness to the many elderly couples she served. On October 19th, of this year, she landed her dream job. She became the Director of Atria Senior Living, an assisted living community where she directed the care of over 150 people. She loved this new opportunity and embraced it with her usual passion and vigor.

On the eve of her passing, Leslie and her mom shared in a remarkable telephone conversation. "Leslie was ecstatic about her new position, looking forward to learning more and extremely peaceful and content. Talked about Aimee and Bart, and how proud she was of them, and of course, loving the grandkids". Reflecting on that conversation, Joyce says... "It is now a surreal, yet comforting memory!"

Suffice to say, there is a huge hurt in all our hearts and a painful time of recovery for all of us. Leslie believed in and trusted in the Lord. We can be confident she is in the "Heavenly Realm" now. And, she has been reunited with "Grampy"... Her mom's beloved husband who entered Heaven's Gates almost two years ago. Leslie loved him so... and vice versa!

We will all struggle as we try to move on. Leslie, however, is at peace! We will miss her high-spirited, very opinionated, sometimes challenging personality. A party, gathering, family dinner will never be quite the same without Leslie. We have joy in our memories... Sorrow in our loss. We toast you, Leslie!

A beautiful "Celebration" of Leslie's life was held in Nevada City, November 22, hosted by her dear BFF's. A private family and close friends service in Santa Barbara is pending.

Tribute Wall

PA

“ *May the strength and love of the Lord bless Dear Leslile...our casual, serious, funny, and worldly conversations ring in my ears...You have left too soon...Love Aunt Penny*

penny anders - December 08, 2015 at 06:35 PM

LM

“ *Leslie, my beautiful daughter, my friend, loving grandmother and mother.....we miss you so. You have left us too soon. You have joined "Grampy", my loving and wonderful husband...the best thing that ever happened to this family. Your presence was always BIG and with lots of things to say and share! A family event, party, etc., will never be the same. As I am preparing for your Memory Service in Santa Barbara, I am reminded of how you took over in the planning for "Grampy's" services not even two years ago, and ran my household at the same time...always saying..'I know how my mom likes things done!'....you did!!! This is all very, very sad. I know you are in the arms of our loving Father...and "Grampy". I am comforted by that! I love you! "MOM"*

Leslie's mom - December 03, 2015 at 10:35 PM

TI

“ *I knew Leslie years ago when my daughter, Katey, and her daughter, Amy became good friends through Pony Club. Leslie was an amazing organizer with strong leadership skills. She will be greatly missed... I am saddened for your loss. My condolences to her family and friends. You are in my thoughts.*

*Sincerely,
Tina Feeley and Family*

tina - December 01, 2015 at 12:33 PM

CS

“ Leslie always had room for our visits and a warm hug and a smile to greet us. I love the fact that our children had a chance to share time and life experiences together. We will always remember her fondly and know that she is sitting with the Father now and watching over us as we try to continue our lives in God's light.

Rest in Peace Leslie.

With love and condolences to her family.

The Smock Family in Australia. Clark, Jenni, Tim, Laura, Elise, and Elliot

Clark Smock - November 29, 2015 at 01:58 AM

JB

“ We met Leslie recently at the Atria Senior Living Center in Grass Valley where she cared for a dear relative of ours. We were very impressed with this amazing woman and her tales of working in China for 8 years in health care! Her untimely passing is a loss for all who knew her. We send our sincere condolences and sympathy to her family. We know her life has graced the lives of many others and that you are very proud of her.

With loving sympathy,

Jan and John Beumer

Jan Beumer - November 26, 2015 at 10:48 AM

TS

“ To You, O Lord,
we humbly entrust this child,
so precious in Your sight.
Take her into Your arms
and welcome her into paradise,
where there will be no sorrow,
no weeping nor pain, but the fullness of peace and joy
with Your Son and the Holy Spirit forever and ever.

tj smock - November 23, 2015 at 07:52 PM

TS

“ A beautiful lady I never really knew.
But our Lord now welcomes you with unconditional love, mercy and
grace that will joy to your radiant face.
Her loving father

tj smock - November 23, 2015 at 07:49 PM