



Laura Beth Peterson

February 15, 1971 - January 1, 2019

Laura Beth Peterson, age 47, died January 1, 2019 in Altamonte Springs, Florida. Born Laura Beth Petersen in Pompton Plains, New Jersey on February 15, 1971, she lived in Cortland, NY and Readington, NJ before moving with her family to Longwood, Florida in 1977, making friends each place she went. She graduated from Lake Brantley High School in 1989, having spent a year of that time as an exchange student in Stranda, Norway, forging friendships she would foster all her life. She graduated with a B.A. in Psychology from Augsburg College in Minneapolis, Minnesota in 1993, and then traveled to Washington state where she became a resident of Holden Village, an experience that transformed her life. After returning to Minnesota, she married her college sweetheart, Eric Peterson, in 1998.

In 1999, she and Eric moved to Florida to be nearer her mother as they began their family, giving birth to son, Noah, in 2004, and son, Eli, in 2009. She devoted her life to raising these two happy, healthy boys, and to bringing all of her interests and education together in work as a Mindset Life Coach, self-employed and thriving in this work that she loved, holding space for people to come back to their true selves, deeply.

Over the course of her life, Laura explored her passion for the power of the mind, for energy work, for clean and natural living, and the healing of body-mind-spirit in ways that transform lives. A teacher at heart, she saw her

purpose as to guide others to a vision and experience of themselves as pure, unlimited potential. She believed in the body's ability to heal itself, even after two surgeries for a congenital heart defect. She explored tirelessly for ways to thrive radiantly while experiencing breast cancer, in a way that she could align with and feel supported by, body and soul. While she wished to have more time with her boys, she was not afraid of what was next. In the end, the disease may have taken her body, but it most definitely did not take her spirit. She died peacefully and well, surrounded by her family, exemplifying the grace with which she faced other challenges in her life. Among so many other things, she will be remembered for her vibrant smile, keen intellect, and her hopeful, determined heart.

Laura is survived by her husband of 20 years, Eric, her two boys, Noah (14) and Eli (9); parents Roberta (David) Isaacson, Paul (Connie) Petersen; sister Debbie (John) Bernard and nieces Deanna (Kenny) Passer, Rachel Bernard, and Lauren Bernard; brother Jeff (Marcie) Petersen, nephew Austin Petersen, and niece Amanda Petersen.

All are invited to a Celebration of Life in her honor to be held on Friday, January 18th at DeGusipe Funeral Home in Maitland (9001 N. Orlando Avenue, Maitland, FL 32751) -- service at 6:00pm, with refreshments to follow. Laura requested people feel free to dress in bright colors. In lieu of flowers, the family asks for memorials to their Go Fund Me campaign (www.gofundme.com/supporting-laura039s-vibrant-health), which directly benefits Eric, Noah, and Eli -- the lights of her life.

Thank you to Hospice of the Comforter for the space and tender loving care that allowed Laura to let go peacefully with her loved ones by her side. And thank you as well to Laura's incredibly strong community of support for loving and championing her so well, and taking such generous care of her boys, both while she was alive, and into the future.

We ask that you continue to envision Laura in vibrancy and wellness, fully healed in spirit, if not physically cured. She will continue to share her bright shining light with the world through each and every one of us who love and miss her.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

JAN 18. 6:00 PM (ET)

DeGusipe Funeral Home & Crematory Maitland Chapel
9001 N. Orlando Ave
Maitland, FL 32751
(407) 695-2273
todd@degusipe.com
<https://www.degusipefuneralhome.com>

Reception

JAN 18. 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

EP

“ *Laura Peterson Was Actually My Mom I Am Her Son Eli Now I Only Got To Know My Mom For Nine Years But I Enjoyed All Of It And At Least She In No More Pain.*

*In Loving Memory Of Laura
Eli Peterson*

Eli Peterson - January 25, 2019 at 11:59 PM

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“ *We are grateful for having Laura as part of our family during her exchange year in Norway. We learned to know her as a caring, honest and positive girl with warm smiles and hugs. We are thankful for all the good memories and for being able to keep up and stay in touch all along after. With love from Laura`s Overvoll family.*

Ann-Elin Overvoll Lillebø - January 17, 2019 at 04:33 PM

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“ *Dick, Jodi, Cassie, Allen & Amanda, and Nate Law purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Laura Beth Peterson.*



Dick, Jodi, Cassie, Allen & Amanda, and Nate Law - January 16, 2019 at 05:54 PM

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Deb Bernard - January 08, 2019 at 08:47 PM

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Deb Bernard - January 08, 2019 at 08:41 PM

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Deb Bernard - January 06, 2019 at 09:05 PM

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“ With love from Laura`s Overvoll family.
purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for
the family of Laura Beth Peterson.



With love from Laura`s Overvoll family. - January 06, 2019 at
04:23 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for
the family of Laura Beth Peterson.




January 05, 2019 at 01:14 PM

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Deb Bernard - January 05, 2019 at 01:11 PM

 Larissa
Hardesty

“ Sending love and prayers to the family. So sorry I will be unable to
attend the service as I will be out of town. My thoughts will be with
you, though.

Larissa Hardesty - January 05, 2019 at 11:56 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Laura Beth Peterson.*



January 04, 2019 at 09:44 PM



“ *Laura was a joyful, warm and welcoming presence at Augsburg for me. I treasure memories of her leadership, participation, and friendship through many campus ministry events: retreats, clown ministry, Eucharist services - as well as her lovely smile to greet me at chapel or as I met her on campus. My hugs and love go to Eric and their kids as you face this tragic loss.*

*Sincerely,
Sara Trumm*

Sara Trumm - January 03, 2019 at 11:49 PM



“ *My prayers go out to Eric, Noah, Eli, and the rest of Laura's family and friends. She was a strong woman who loved her family. She will be missed. God bless her boys at this time. 🙏*

Beverly Steiger - January 03, 2019 at 11:07 PM