



Loretta J Peet

September 16, 1958 - February 4, 2019

We are heartbroken to announce that Loretta J Peet passed suddenly on Monday, February 4, 2019, from a stroke at the young age of 60. Loretta was born on September 16, 1958, in Santa Monica, CA, to parents Barbara and Berkeley Peet. She attended high school in Northridge, CA, college in San Diego and dental school at University of California, San Francisco. Those who knew Loretta know how much she loved all animals, the ocean, surfing, dentistry, music, friends and family. Rabbits and rhinos were her favorite animals.

Loretta leaves behind her husband, Brad Cruse, who loved her dearly for the past 26 years and will miss her beyond belief. She also leaves behind her sister, Darlene Jesson, in-laws, Jimmy and Carol Cruse, brother-in-law, Larry Mundt and nephew, James Mundt. Loretta will be remembered by many dear friends, including Renee and Tim Mace, Char and Greg Spires, Kerry and Bob Shine, Sandi Kristoff, Faith Sidlow and Bob Wilson, Joe and Nitzi Mace, Matt Mace, Marshall and Charlotte Cline, Anika Cole, Renee Whitebead, innumerable associates who meant the world to Loretta and rabbits, Willow and Ginger.

A gathering to celebrate Loretta's life will be held Saturday, March 2, 2019, at Reflections at Rest Haven Funeral Home-Rockwall Location from 1:00 to 4:00pm.

Rest in peace, my Love.

Events

MAR **Celebration of Life**

01:00PM

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Reflections at Rest Haven Funeral Home - Rockwall Location
2500 State Highway 66 East, Rockwall, TX, US, 75087

Comments



“ Toni Riss lit a candle in memory of Loretta J Peet



Toni Riss - February 23 at 02:30 PM



“ Although we lost touch, you were always in my heart. I was looking you up today and found out you were gone. I will miss you.



Toni Riss - March 15, 2019 at 03:19 PM



“ Dr. Peet once allowed me to bring my Chihuahua with me for my appointment. She set up a special room for him in her practice. She would share stories of rabbits and other critters in her life. I had not been her patient for some time, but always thought of her. Please accept my condolences.

Toni Riss - March 15, 2019 at 11:28 AM



“ Bradley H Cruse lit a candle in memory of Loretta J Peet



Bradley H Cruse - March 10, 2019 at 02:39 PM



“ Deb Shinder lit a candle in memory of Loretta J Peet



Deb Shinder - March 02, 2019 at 08:16 PM



“ My Aunt Lonnie was such a kind-hearted soul. I am going to miss her dearly. Although we didn't see each other consistently, we always kept in touch. She always brought a smile to your face. She loved life and was such a breath of fresh air. Aunt Lonnie will always be in my heart. May she rest in peace.

Love,
Jimmy

Jimmy Mundt - February 28, 2019 at 10:38 AM



“ Jimmy Mundt lit a candle in memory of Loretta J Peet



Jimmy Mundt - February 28, 2019 at 10:34 AM



“ Loretta was a wonderful and kind woman with a genuine desire to help people. Her beautiful flower beds brightened our street for over 20 years. We will miss her!
Charlotte and Marshall

Charlotte Cline - February 10, 2019 at 08:01 PM



“ Good Friends Never Say Goodbye, they just say See You Soon.

The years have been filled with so much fun and joy, there was always a special bond.

First high school, yeah we were friends that long ago. She would get up in the morning at 5 am just so she could go surf before school. Then we competed on the high school gymnastics team, and she was a natural. Then roomies in college. Sharing a room with her and Clyde was its own special challenge (Clyde the parrot). Clyde kept us entertained when he drank the perfume (tipsy Clyde). Off to dental school, we just needed an excuse to visit San Francisco to visit her and explore. The day Loretta met Brad, she was so excited. He turned out to be such a blessing in her life. Her true soulmate, always there to support her through life's challenges and triumphs. So many experiences, it is hard to choose which ones were the best, so many come to mind. All of the trips when the girls (college roommates) got together, then we let the husbands join us for our adventures. Laughing so hard we cried, never knew what someone would say or do to set everyone laughing.

Friends

Someone who makes you laugh

Until you can't stop

Someone who makes you believe

That there is really good in the world

Someone who convinces you

That there really is an unlocked door

Just waiting for you to open it

This is a Forever Friendship

Your Forever Friend Char



Char - February 09, 2019 at 05:23 PM



“ I first meet Loretta at the house on Bristol. Upon my arrival to pick up Char I was invited in and to my surprise there was Loretta and Sandy two more beautiful girls in the kitchen, cooking, dancing away just have a good old time singing dancing and laughing. I thought this is too good to be true did I hit the lottery with pretty girls that can cook and have a good old time.

-Loretta quickly became like a sister to me. She always gave me reason to laugh and kibitz with her. No matter what her position on the subject I always disagreed with her. Just to see her reactions and to get her going. One time over a disagreement on the best guitar player in the world she liked Jimi Hendrix. I told her there were a whole lot of better guitarist than Jimi! I started to name them! Oh, she was so mad! I

think she was ready to smash her guitar over my head! We would argue and laugh, argue and laugh only to end with a big hug! We laughed so!

One of my fondest memories is when Loretta went off to San Francisco for dental school. We loaded up her blue VW bug with as much as we could get in it and the rest Char and I took in our car. She left San Diego to say goodbye to friends and family in LA. You couldn't have planned on meeting up at a merge of two highways in California, but sure enough there she was driving like a Kamikaze demolition derby driver, surging through traffic with her trusty navigator Clyde (Loretta's macaw)! I love her so!

Greg

greg spires - February 09, 2019 at 03:56 PM



“ Well, I guess it was Loretta's turn in line at God's love concert. She loved music, and the louder the better. One time the rock group, "Yes," was going to perform in Tulsa at "The Old Lady on Brady," the Brady Theater, which has the best acoustics I've ever experienced. I asked Brad if they could make the date and he said sure and that "Yes" was one of Loretta's favorite groups. I scored front row balcony seats for us and it was one for the memory books. We were also able to attend a very rare for the midwest concert by "Steely Dan." Afterward, Loretta proclaimed (very loudly!) that she enjoyed it very much. One time on a trip to Dallas, Loretta told me I should try sushi. I had not ever had it before and was not even interested in that style of food, but with her and Brad's coaxing I agreed and we went to Mr. Sushi in Addison, TX. On the way there, Brad and Loretta had a very excited and opinionated discussion on the proper route to take. But we made it fine and I had my first, and far from last, sushi experience, thanks to Loretta's power of persuasion. Another time, I was going to be flying through Dallas on a vacation trip and Brad told me to stay a couple of days with them in Dallas before heading on home to Tulsa. I accepted and was at DFW airport with luggage full of chocolate from Switzerland, expecting to see Brad at the curb for a ride to their house in Rowlett. I was looking for Brad, but suddenly saw Loretta there waving at me. Brad couldn't make it so he had asked for her to come in his place. She was very helpful with my load and we headed to east of Dallas. Well, if you know Loretta, you can imagine my experience. I finally closed my eyes tight and prayed for our safe arrival as the speeds and maneuvers through traffic were like nothing I had ever experienced before in a vehicle. Wow, did I ever cuss Brad in private. That's just how she was though, all or nothing. Full volume. my way or the highway. At least that's how I knew her. Poor Brad. He tried to slow her down, but there was just no way. She was so adventurous and headstrong. She believed that there was nothing, NOTHING that she could not do. Unstoppable. That is why she was able to accomplish so much in her life. So many people are so lucky that they were able to be helped by Loretta. If only she had more time, there could be so many more. Infinity on the rings. Matt

matthew e mace - February 08, 2019 at 12:34 AM



“ I really love Loretta's smile. May she rest in peace.



Tianjiao Liu - February 06, 2019 at 08:20 PM



“ We had two boys but never had a Daughter until our wonderful son Brad brought Loretta to our home. She became our Daughter then.

Jimmy and Carol Cruse



jimmy cruse - February 06, 2019 at 07:10 PM



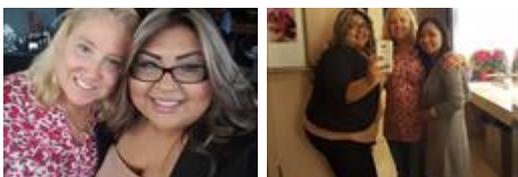
“ Monica Gallegos lit a candle in memory of Loretta J Peet



Monica Gallegos - February 06, 2019 at 02:28 PM



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Monica Gallegos - February 06, 2019 at 01:03 PM



“ Renee Whitebead lit a candle in memory of Loretta J Peet



Renee Whitebead - February 06, 2019 at 10:07 AM



“ Patricia lit a candle in memory of Loretta J Peet



Patricia - February 06, 2019 at 08:16 AM



“ Loretta was an awesome person with a big heart. I was honored and very blessed to have crossed paths with her. she made a big impact on my life and I will always cherish the memories I have of her. God bless her beautiful soul. she will be missed by many.

Renee Whitebead - February 06, 2019 at 06:27 AM



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Renee Whitebead - February 06, 2019 at 05:40 AM



“ Here's a little story about my friend Loretta that probably no one remembers but me. I had gone down to visit my brother from a different mother, Brad, for a few days. I'm sure one or two of my other brothers were there too. It was always a good time at the Cruse house, good food, good beer and the best friends in the world. Loretta and I shared a love of beautiful plants, the more exotic the better! One afternoon Loretta suggested we sneak away from the party and go nursery hopping at some of her favorite greenhouses in the area. Of course she had the rock and roll CRANKED UP!!! We had a blast cruising around singing and buying a few cool plants! Thanks Loretta for the fun times and good memories!!! I'll miss you so much. Your friend, Joe Mace

Joe Mace - February 05, 2019 at 08:41 PM



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Renee Whitebead - February 05, 2019 at 07:04 PM



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Faith - February 05, 2019 at 06:32 PM



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Faith - February 05, 2019 at 06:09 PM



“ Faith lit a candle in memory of Loretta J Peet



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Faith - February 05, 2019 at 06:02 PM



“ I got to meet Loretta this April when we started to work together in good old South Dakota. We had so many laughs and good memories to talk about. Dr. Peet was so passionate about her work and patients and was not only an amazing dentist, but a beautiful person!! Brad, she loved you so much! When she would talk about you, her eyes would light up because she was so in love. We talked about her diving and love for the ocean about every single day! Dr. Peet was so adventurous in life and had so many good stories to share. While she was away she would send me all kinds of pictures of her bunnies <3 Not a day will go by that I wont miss or think of her because she was such a role model for me. She not only taught me a lot about dentistry, but just life in general. You will be greatly missed, Loretta!! Thinking of you and your loved ones!
Heather Murray

Heather Murray - February 05, 2019 at 05:12 PM



“ I will always be grateful to Loretta for introducing me to my beautiful, wonderful wife Renee. It was the mutual love of rabbits that Renee and Loretta became friends but Loretta also loved Led Zeppelin. I will never forget the time that I was visiting Brad and Loretta and the Led Zeppelin song "Over The Hills And Far Away" came onto the radio. I asked Loretta if she had ever heard the subliminal message in the song. With great excitement and interest, she said "No!" I said "I'll tell you when it's coming up." As the slow guitar solo approached the first words in the song, I said "here it comes"

and sang "Hay Rabbit" in place of "Hay Lady." She couldn't stop laughing at the idea of two of her favorite things coming together ... rabbits and Led Zeppelin.

Though we will all miss Loretta and her genuine laugh, she is now in God's ultimate PEACE!! See you soon Loretta. Tim Mace

Renee Mace - February 05, 2019 at 04:56 PM



“ Mr. Tim, thanks for sharing that. I didn't know that. That is too good. I won't get into the Elmer Fudd thing, and yes sir, I will make sure that you and Renee will have plenty of basil to feed those wascally wabbits. Interesting story about Saint Basil. We rang bells Sunday morning, and I believe we rang How Great Thou Art pretty good. I'll see you guys soon enough. I WILL make sure Paisley knows about that story. My prayers were answered in one of Brad's favorite tunes, the day the music died.

Ken Murray - February 05, 2019 at 07:20 PM



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Sandi - February 05, 2019 at 02:58 PM



“ The Cardiff Five

Sandi - February 05, 2019 at 03:27 PM



“ We all love her so much. Loretta has the kindest heart of anyone I've ever met. We will miss you, but we will never forget you.

Faith - February 05, 2019 at 05:06 PM



“ Loretta became a very good friend of mine while she worked in SD. We had many great weekend trips together. I have only fond memories of her and will miss her very much. She made a big impact on my life. Fly high with the angles!

Renee Whitebead - February 05, 2019 at 08:12 PM



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Sandi - February 05, 2019 at 02:50 PM



“ Sanita Brainerd lit a candle in memory of Loretta J Peet



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“ Sandi lit a candle in memory of Loretta J Peet



Sandi - February 05, 2019 at 02:47 PM



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Bradley Cruse - February 05, 2019 at 01:47 PM



“ Loretta and Brad in the Dominican Republic, at the beach. Loretta loved the ocean and all living things.

Bradley Cruse - February 05, 2019 at 02:21 PM



“ I absolutely love this picture of you two! Thank you for sharing.

Sanita - February 05, 2019 at 02:48 PM



“ Hi Brad, we are so very sad for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you in this difficult time.

Ken and Lee Davis

Ken - February 11, 2019 at 08:00 PM



“ Bradley Cruse lit a candle in memory of Loretta J Peet



Bradley Cruse - February 05, 2019 at 01:44 PM



“ On Monday February 4, 2019 we lost my wife Loretta J Peet. Words cannot express the sorrow and grief that comes with losing someone as amazing as Loretta. She is the love of my life, and we have shared many blessings and incredible experiences together over the past 26 years. Loretta loved and was loved by many people--family, friends, colleagues and patients. She will be missed beyond imagination. We have lost her for now, and the whole world has gained an angel. We will be planning a celebration memorial over the next couple of weeks and will reach out with details. God Bless you my love.

Bradley Cruse - February 05, 2019 at 01:43 PM



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Bradley Cruse - February 05, 2019 at 01:30 PM



“ Loretta loved her bunnies.

Bradley Cruse - February 05, 2019 at 02:23 PM



“ I only met Loretta a few times, but her humanity for animals and people was lovely. She told me that if she could just make a little money on the jewelry she made to donate to an animal group, she would be delighted. Her talent with beauty and beads was stunning and I believe she felt pleased with her work. Brad, I am so, sorry for your loss and I hope you know mountains of love are sent your way!

Dianne Fisher - February 05, 2019 at 04:02 PM



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Bradley Cruse - February 05, 2019 at 01:29 PM



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jeremias luera - February 05, 2019 at 11:47 AM



“ I am heartbroken to hear about Loretta's passing. I had the pleasure of getting to know Loretta this summer while she was working in South Dakota. She had a passion for life, loved her bunnies and her patients. I was really looking forward to her return here in the spring. I am blessed to have known her, even if for just a short time. Brad and family, please know you are in my thoughts and prayers at this difficult time. DaLayne Spier

DaLayne - February 05, 2019 at 11:36 AM



“ Over lunch at work one day, Brad mentioned Loretta and her bunnies. The gentleness and care in his voice let me know how much he loved her. As I pray for Brad and Loretta to find peace and comfort, I also pray that Loretta knew how much she is loved.

Patty - February 05, 2019 at 10:52 AM



“ Patty lit a candle in memory of Loretta J Peet



Patty - February 05, 2019 at 10:47 AM



“ Larry Mundt lit a candle in memory of Loretta J Peet



Larry Mundt - February 05, 2019 at 09:52 AM



“ God blessed me with Lonnie, my beautiful caring sister. I watched her grow from a little girl to a beautiful caring woman who loved life and everything and everyone she came in contact with.

She spent countless hours caring for others not to mention her curiosity and preservation of life no matter what shape or form. Lonnie will live with me in my heart till the day I join her. Till then, I will always remember her smile and laugh and the many fond memories of our love for one another.

May God bless you Lonnie.

Larry

Larry Mundt - February 05, 2019 at 09:47 AM