



Erica Hermes Bratland

August 12, 1979 - June 17, 2023

Born August 12, 1979 in St. Paul to Gary and Margoe Hermes. Erica passed away peacefully among family on June 17, 2023. Erica lost her battle with cancer after far-outliving her original diagnosis. Erica battled quietly and unselfishly - never asking for any special attention.

Erica married Dave Bratland in 2004 - they raised a family of 3 children in Shoreview MN. Erica gave her unconditional love and support to see that Dave and the kids had what they needed as their family lived a full life of school, work, sports and fun. In her professional life, Erica served many years as a school teacher specializing in Special Education.

Erica is survived by her Parents - Gary and Margoe Hermes, husband - Dave, 3 children - Madison, Emma, Trip, her sister - Tiffini (Anders), several nieces and nephews, and 2 Bernese Mountain Dogs - Nellie and Derby.

A memorial service is scheduled for Friday June 23 at 11:00 AM at Incarnation Lutheran Church in Shoreview MN. There will be a visitation at 9:30 AM and a lunch after the service.

Memorials are requested to the Erica Bratland Memorial Fund that has been established to support Dave and the kids in their next steps in life. They are grateful for any support as Dave and family re-start their lives as a one-income family. <https://www.gofundme.com/erica-bratland-family>

Tribute Wall

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“ Dear Family,

I worked with Erica providing acupuncture and bodywork over the past 6 months. We shared many deep and personal moments related to her healing journey and I got to witness her tenacity, strength, faith, and how much she loved her family from a very close intimate place. I cared for her deeply from my place as a caregiver, but also personally. I am so sorry for your loss and am sending you much care and support as you make these first steps following her physical departure. Sending much much care.

Clair Hamilton - June 27, 2023 at 12:00 AM

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“ Erica had an unforgettable wit and laugh. She holds a special spot in my memory as Tiffini's cool older sister. Any 'cool points' we gained in middle school or high school (and beyond) were surely influenced by her.

Kaylan Dix - June 20, 2023 at 12:00 AM

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“ There are simply no words. Please know our thoughts are with all of you at this difficult time. May Erica's bright and beautifully lived life create some solace. She has certainly inspired me.



Anne Wussler - June 20, 2023 at 12:00 AM

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“ Gary, Margoe, Tiffini, and Erica's family,

I am so sorry to hear of Erica's passing. It is such a painful loss, she was so young.

I am grieving for you. May your love for each other pull you closer.

With love,

Brooke Timp (Carlson)

Brooke Timp - June 20, 2023 at 12:00 AM