



Kristine Jean Ryan

June 14, 1967 - March 31, 2024

Kristine Jean Ryan

Mother, Grandmother, Sister, and genuinely amazing friend to everyone she met, died Sunday, March 31st. We are deeply saddened by her sudden death and will forever remember the beacon of light that she was as a person.

Kristi was born in Minnesota to her father, James Anderson, and Mother, Diane Anderson, who preceded her in death, along with her two siblings Jim Anderson & Lynn Munson. Kristi leaves behind her two children, Hannah and Noah, her grandson, Henry, & two sisters, Susan Tickle, and Karen Zimmer. She also leaves behind many extended family and friends who will miss her immensely.

Kristi was one of five siblings, spending her childhood in Edina and Bloomington and at her family's cabin in Northern Minnesota. She enjoyed a tight-knit relationship with all her siblings, and as the youngest, was always tagging along with her older sisters and brother to activities. She was an avid animal lover, taking in many cats and dogs throughout her life. Graduating from Bloomington Highschool, Kristi spent her time on the dance line and leading multiple activities on campus. After high school, she accepted a position at the University of Minnesota, and joined a sorority while on campus.

After college, she moved to California briefly and eventually moved back to Minnesota. Starting her career in hospitality, she started her journey at the Olive Garden. Although she would have told you it truly started when she worked at McDonalds in High School, this was her steppingstone into her career. She had her first child, Hannah, in December of 1992. Proceeding her birth, Kristi married her former husband, Jeffrey Ryan, and they had their second child, Noah, in August of 1996.

Kristi excelled in her career from there, working as manager and general manager at many restaurants across the Twin Cities, most notably Redstone, Crave Restaurants, Linguini & Bob and many more. Her entire being was deeply instilled in the hospitality industry, and she was widely known as an amazing manager, friend, and "second mom" to her colleagues and friends.

Those who knew her describe Kristi as their second mom. She made families everywhere she went, whether it was her staff and friends in each restaurant she worked in, or within her personal life. She took people in, and fiercely supported and advocated for them. She made it a point to make you feel like you were the most important person in the room and supported you to no end when she could.

Our hearts break at the sudden loss of her and appreciate the outpouring of love and kindness that has surrounded her death. She will be missed immensely and will live on in our hearts forever.

A memorial service will be held on Friday, April 12th at 1:30 PM at Washburn-McReavy Hillside Funeral Chapel; 2610 - 19 Avenue NE, Minneapolis, MN 55418, followed by a celebration of life at one of her favorite places, The Monte Carlo restaurant. -

Celebration of life will be held from 3-6pm to remember the amazing mother,

sister, and friend she was to all.

In lieu of flowers, we ask that you please consider donating to the Lupus Foundation of America to help them in the search for a cure to the disease Kristi suffered from.

<https://www.lupus.org/?form=donateAB>

Monte Carlo Restaurant

219 Third Ave N, Minneapolis, MN 55401

Previous Events

Memorial Service

APR 12. 1:30 PM - 2:30 PM (CT)

Hillside Chapel
2610 19th Avenue N.E.
Minneapolis, MN 55418

Celebration of Life

APR 12. 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

The Monte Carlo Restaurant
219 North 3rd Avenue
Minneapolis, MN 55401

Tribute Wall

RK

“ Ranee K. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Kristine Jean Ryan.

Ranee K. - April 12, 2024 at 11:58 AM

SL

“ Suzanne L. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Kristine Jean Ryan.

Suzanne L. - April 12, 2024 at 11:31 AM

TI

“ Todd Illig planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Kristine Jean Ryan.

Todd Illig - April 12, 2024 at 09:50 AM

TI

“ Todd Illig purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Kristine Jean Ryan.



Todd Illig - April 12, 2024 at 09:50 AM

DA

“ *She was my neighbor! I loved her! She helped me feed the homeless this past Thanksgiving. We talked just about every day. She loved her kids! I will miss you Kristi!*

Dara - April 09, 2024 at 12:08 AM

RK

Kristi and I work together many times over the years. She was delightful I so loved every time I saw her and every day I got to work with her. I was so happy when she moved downtown so she was nearby. I will miss her so very much.

Ranee Kohner - April 12, 2024 at 12:01 PM

GC

“ *Kristi and I met in high school and started a friendship towards the end of our senior year. I was sad when she moved to California but I was the first person she called when she came back and we became best friends. Kristi was so outgoing, making friends everywhere, her sense of humor and her laugh often left me in tears of joy, she had a fantastic way of placing emphasis on certain words that made her storytelling epic! I loved nearly every minute I spent with her and one of the biggest regrets of my life is that we drifted apart. She had an incredible spirit, she was intelligent, beautiful, kind, happy, and she was so proud to become a mother. I'm sorry that I can't convey in words how much you meant to me Kristi, I loved you so much. Gretchen*



Gretchen Carlson - April 03, 2024 at 07:26 PM