



Laura Vasatka-Iverson

February 12, 2006

Vasatka-Iverson, Laura A. age 51, of Champlin, MN passed suddenly on February 10th, 2006 surrounded by family and friends. She was born June 10th, 1954 in Minneapolis, graduated from Holy Angels Academy and the University of Minnesota. Preceded in death by brother, Peter; brother-in-law, Doug; mother-in-law, Bernadine. Survived by her husband, soulmate, and love of her life, Robert Iverson, and their special friend Ember; grandmother, Sophia Konofaof; parents, Hugh & Roberta; siblings, Greg, Maren (Rick) Vasatka- Clark, Tria (Brad) Walker; and brothers-in- law, Jerry (Beverly), Daniel (Barbara); many precious nieces and nephews. She treasured her home and life with Bob and Ember where they enjoyed entertaining, Laura's cooking, especially her signature potstickers. They lived for hiking, backpacking, cross-country skiing, and kayaking in Alaska, Canada, many places in the Rocky Mountains, and abroad. She enjoyed gardening, and using her special artistic ability with interior decorating her home and the homes of family and friends. Laura was a very special aunt who adored her nieces and nephews and cherished every minute with them. We will miss Laura every day and never forget her smile and laughter. Laura will be with us always. We will celebrate Laura's life on Tuesday February 14th, 2006 at 2 PM services. Visitation will start at 1 PM. Location of services: Washburn-McReavy Seman Chapel 1827 Coon Rapids Blvd, Coon Rapids. 763-767-1000

Tribute Wall

BI

“ I have missed so this last year. Today is the one year anniversary of your funeral. My heeart still aches for you. There is this card you gave me: Sometimes I sit back and think of the first time I saw you. And I think of the years we've had together and how much love there we still have between us. And I reach back in time and take your hand and know that I'd do it all over again, and again, and again. I THANK YOU for all that were to me. I am still amazed that you would want to share your life with me. I treasure every momont we had. There were not enough moments. You made me whole, you gave me courage you helped to mold me into who I am. I was very lucky. You were my strencth when I was weak, you were my voice when I couldn't speak, you were my eyes when I couldn't see, you saw the best there was in me, lifted me up when I couldn't reach, you gave me faith because you believed....IAM EVERYTHING I AM BECAUSE YOU LOVED ME. I miss you so and always will. Happy Valentines day Laura. You are still mine. I love you now and forever. Build that fire large so that I might find you on the trail. Till I see you again XOXOXOOO. Love, Bob

~

Bob Iverson,

Champlin, Minnesota

Bob Iverson - February 14, 2007 at 12:00 AM

MV

“ *My dear sister Laura,
Happy Birthday sweetie!! Today is your birthday and the four
months from the day we lost you. I miss you so much. I miss your
voice and our weekend phone chats. I can still see you. Do you
remember during one of your visits to our house, you and Bob had
an early morning flight and sat on the front porch in the dark
admiring the full moon. Both of us hating to say goodbye. Every full
moon since you passed I awake in the middle of the night and sit on
that porch admiring the full moon, thinking of you and once again,
hating to say goodbye. It's a full moon tonight, meet me there.
Love you so much, Maren*

~

Maren Vasatka,

Monkton, Vermont

Contact Me

Maren Vasatka - June 10, 2006 at 12:00 AM

BI

“ *Last night was 6 weeks since your untimely departure. I miss you so much! So many friends have stepped forward to fill the chasm you've left. Try as they might this heart will never be the same. I found the Angel coin that I'd lost the day of the funeral. It was your Angel coin that gave me strength to talk at your service. The kind lady at Washburn McReavy had found it and kept it for me. I felt it was my lucky day when I held it again. I just wish I could hold you once more. I love you more than one more day. Though thou loved her as thyself, as a self of purer clay, tho'her parting dims the day, stealing grace from all alive, when half-gods go, the gods arrive. My I see your face and hear your voice in my dreams. I love you so.*

~

Bob Iverson,

Champlin, Minnesota

Bob Iverson - March 24, 2006 at 12:00 AM

GG

“ To the Vasatka family: I am very sorry for your loss! My thoughts and prayers are definitely with you.

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Greg Gifford,

Lino Lakes, Minnesota

Greg Gifford - February 28, 2006 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ Laura --

It has been one week since we lost you. We celebrated your life a few days ago and a wonderful celebration it was. My memories of our friendship will always be close to my heart. I will always hear your laugh and when I close my eyes there is that beautiful smile. I know you are watching over us to make sure we are staying in check!

All my love to Bob and the entire Vasatka family. Love - Jeanne, Bruce, Melissa and Molly

~

Jeanne MacGregor,

Edina, Minnesota

Jeanne MacGregor - February 17, 2006 at 12:00 AM

MV

“ *Laura,*

We lost you, my precious sister, on Friday and today we celebrate your life. We love you and miss you so much, I still hear your laugh and can see your smile. Watch over us my angel.

~

Maren Vasatka-Clark,

Monkton, Vermont

Contact Me

Maren Vasatka-Clark - February 14, 2006 at 12:00 AM

JR

“ *In the short five years I have known Laura, it was evident she was a bright light that eluminated the world around her, with her zest for life, her compassion for nature and her fellow humans, and her sense of humor was priceless.*

~

Jacque Reis,

Elk River, Minnesota

Jacque Reis - February 14, 2006 at 12:00 AM

SL

“ I only met Laura a few times over the years that I have known Tria, but will always remember her friendly, warm personality. That is a Vasatka family trait for sure! My heart goes out to all of you!

~

Shari Larkin,

Minnesota

Shari Larkin - February 14, 2006 at 12:00 AM

DM

“ *my prayers are with you, David*

~

David Manthei,

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

David Manthei - February 13, 2006 at 12:00 AM

MK

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with the Vasatka-Iverson families. My ties to this family run deep and I feel as if I have lost a Sister. My memories of Laura will always be with us and the goofy times on the 4th of July on Tria's deck. Next year when the skies light up I will hear Laura's oohs and aahs, she will always be a part of our celebrations. Love always, Mary, Lisa and Peter*

~

Mary Keogh,

Bloomington, Minnesota

Mary Keogh - February 13, 2006 at 12:00 AM

RM

“ *What a kind and gentle soul. Will never forget that big smile and warm heart!! Laura loved live, and respected all God's creatures big and small. Will never forget her stories about staring down the bear in AK, or surviving the blow-down in BWCAW.*

Our thoughts and prayers are with Bob, Tria, and Laura's beautiful family.

Rick

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Rick Miller,

Fort Mill, South Carolina

Contact Me

Rick Miller - February 12, 2006 at 12:00 AM

RB

“ Working with Laura for a number of years led to a special friendship that never diminished. We had lunch just a couple of months ago and I once again reminded myself how fortunate I was to have a bit of her in my life. Her loss affects so many people on so many levels it is very difficult for me to grasp yet.

My most heartfelt sympathy goes out to her parents, sibelings. friends and especially to her husband, Bob, who she cherished. I cannot imagine his pain at this time. I will never again be in the wild without thinking of my dear friend, Laura.

~

Robert Tipton Brown,

Greenwood, Minnesota

Robert Tipton Brown - February 12, 2006 at 12:00 AM

JT

“ *I worked for Bob at Boston Scientific and always enjoyed hearing stories of Laura and his trips to the wilderness. They always seemed to return with amazing tales that many can only dream of experiencing in a lifetime!*

Bob, my deepest sympathy to you and your family. May you find comfort in the knowledge that the sunshine will return to the lives of those who grieve. You are in our thoughts and prayers.

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Jesse and Toni (Anakkala) Ternus,

Ramsey, Minnesota

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