



Meeghan Hiykel Burnevik

July 13, 1971 - October 7, 2023

Burnevik, Meeghan Hiykel Meeghan Hiykel Burnevik, age 52, of Saint Francis, MN, passed away on Saturday, October 7, 2023, of natural causes. Meeghan was born on July 13, 1971 in Omaha, NE to James and Kathleen Hiykel. Meeghan graduated in 1990 from Minnetonka High School in Minnetonka, MN. Meeghan then received her Bachelor's Degree of Science, Social Work in 1994 from Winona State University in Winona, MN. She married Dennis Burnevik in 1997. Meeghan and Denny spent the next 25+ years together traveling the world. Highlights of their travels included the Egyptian pyramids, African safari, all across North America and many European vacations. Meeghan loved to take Denny on travel adventures. Meeghan devoted almost 30 years of her life helping others in her career of social work at Anoka County, specifically helping people in crisis make fresh starts. Meeghan loved to make desserts for people! Meeghan taught classes on making cakes and served on the board of directors for the International Cake Exploration Societe (ICES). Meeghan was preceded in death by her mother Kathleen Hiykel. Grateful for having shared in her life are her husband Dennis Burnevik, father James Hiykel, brother Edward (Kristin) Hiykel, niece & nephew Carolyn & James Hiykel, as well as numerous friends and coworkers. Meeghan's celebration of life will be held on Wednesday, November 8th from 4-7pm at Rush Creek Golf Course, 7891 County Rd 101, Maple Grove MN 55311. Burial will take place at Resurrection Catholic Cemetery. The family requests memorials directed to the American Diabetes Association.

Tribute Wall



“ *My daughter took every cupcake/cake decorating class she had. She was a light, for sure! She will be dearly missed!*

Sheila Rekucki - November 21, 2023 at 06:48 PM

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“ *I was a client of hers while she worked at Anoka County Social work as an employment counselor. This beautiful souled woman was assigned to my case and during such a dark time in my life and had complicated circumstances. Her compassion and genuine care and thorough work helped guide me through the toughest most difficult avenues the last 2 years. I was so terribly saddened to find out today why I hadn't been able to reach her and her passing. She went above and beyond for me and my family with an extraordinary level on kindness, compassion and her high experience was one that will never go forgotten. Please know her family is in my prayers during this unfortunate and huge loss. May you find comfort in the good times and memories you shared with her and may me sharing a brief and my brief story of her priceless impact in my life bring a small example to light on the brightness she brought to I am sure so sooo many others in her work and passion to the community of Anoka county! Prayers and hugs, Jessica R.*

Jessica R. - November 02, 2023 at 08:12 PM

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“ I was shocked to see Meghan’s untimely passing. She was an inspiration to many in the 2000’s while a delegate and loyal Minnesota Social Services Association (MSSA) member. I recall chatting with her on occasion at the regional and annual MSSA conference about her and her husband’s love of sports cars. And, her devotion to the clients she served working for Anoka County. My sympathies go out to her family.
Rick Backman, past MSSA president .

Rick Backman - October 24, 2023 at 11:24 AM