



Melinda Eune Vuchetich

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Melinda Eune Beever Vuchetich was born in Portola, California, March 13, 1948, the eldest daughter of Dorothy and Norman Beever. She graduated in 1966 from Loyaltan High School and moved to Sacramento to pursue a college education. She joined the USO and met her future husband, Peter Dyke Vuchetich there. They married in August, 1968. His Naval career first took them to San Diego, then to Hawaii for a few years, but for the rest of her life, she called San Diego home. They were blessed with three children, although their first, Melody Bernice, was stillborn. Their oldest son, Norman Peter, followed his father's footsteps into the military. Their youngest, Phillip James, entered the healthcare profession. Melinda valued education highly and was so proud to earn her college degree in accounting in 1986. During her long career, she worked for Mercy Hospital, Scientific Applications International Corporation (SAIC), and University Mechanical & Engineering Contractors (UMEC), retiring in 2010. She also enjoyed traveling and counted trips to Europe, South America and around the United States as highlights in her life. She was generous and kind, opening her home to students and friends alike. She loved music, gardening, sewing, participating in Predicted Log yacht races, her many friends, her family and her beloved city of San Diego. She was an active woman, so a diagnosis of ALS (Lou Gehrig's disease) was a difficult blow. But she enjoyed the time she had and stayed active as long as she could, enjoying trips to the San Diego Zoo and visits from friends and family. Melinda is preceded in death by her parents, her brother and her infant daughter. She is survived by her loving husband, Peter; her sister and brother-in-law, Nora and Steve Oels; her two sons, Norman, his wife Starr and their daughters Pandora and Ariel, and Phillip and his wife Emily, and their children, John, William, Daniel and Natalie; her large extended family and numerous friends. In lieu of flowers, the family would appreciate donations to the ALS Society of Greater San Diego.



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NW

Norma Whiting posted:

Melinda and I met years ago at one of the Payroll chapter meetings. Ours was a professional friendship, but I could always see and feel Melinda's personal and compassionate touch in all she did. Her battle with ALS gave me additional respect as she was always grateful, kind and a joy to be with, even in this struggle. As I remember Melinda, several phrases come to mind – a kind and gentle soul, dedicated in service to others, strong in spirit and heart and quietly brave. It was a true blessing to have Melinda in my life. Good bye my friend. Peace be with you always.

August 24 at 11:11 AM

GP

Greenwood Memorial Park posted:

Melinda was always doing , planning and organizing, this illness showed us all how accepting and wise Melinda could be,, She took every opportunity to mend bridges and offer peace, I feel truly blessed that she was someone God put into our lives. Mary Reifschneider

August 14 at 5:00 PM

RD

Ruth Degrazia posted:

Melinda was a caring, warm, positive, giving and wonderful person. We were fortunate to have Melinda and Peter join our Observers Association. She will be greatly missed.

August 14 at 5:00 PM

CG

Cathy Gray posted:

I have been thinking of Melinda and praying for peace for the family and all who loved her. Such a wonderful women, I was happy to be her cousin in law!

August 14 at 5:00 PM

RK

Ralph Kelley posted:

I was friends with the Beever family in Loyaltan and close friends with Melinda's brother Tim. I was in the Beever home almost daily. Melinda and I were in the same classes and during our Senior year, I watched Melinda bloom from a shy and quite girl to a very self-assured and confident young lady. I am proud to call her friend.....

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MG

Martha & Joe Chlipala/Golembiewski posted:

She seems like such a strong and vibrant woman. We never met, but after hearing about her from her son, Norm, I gave her the nickname (in my head) of "Queenie Bee". A natural matriarch, golden and positive. Busy, industrious, creative, and loving to her entire family. Prayers to her family and friends at this time. God speed, Queenie Bee. Thank you for sharing your generous spirit with us.

August 13 at 5:00 PM

PH

Patricia Vuchetich Hartin posted:

The memory of Melinda's loving spirit will remain with us always. Her soul has reaped it's reward with The Lord.

August 13 at 5:00 PM

JV

Jan Vuchetich posted:

Will never forget your visiting us in Germany. Melinda was the ultimate planner and had everyplace she wanted to see planned down to the minute. Her 60th birthday celebration/ bash was the nicest and most fun-filled few days! I could never aspire to her energy, planning, and ambitious love for life and for family, but I will always strive to embrace life more because of her. Will miss you, dearest sister-in-law. You left a big hole in the heart of the Vuchetich family. Jan Vuchetich

August 12 at 5:00 PM

PV

Paul And Jan Vuchetich posted:

Melinda, your loving heart and generous, inclusive spirit will always be our remembered treasure. We know you're happily in the welcoming presence of the Almighty. Thank you for sharing your sweet spirit with us! All our love, Paul and Jan Vuchetichpvuchetich@aol.com

August 12 at 5:00 PM



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