



Jennifer Jackson

April 24, 1972 - June 2, 2017

Born April 24, 1972 – Died June 2, 2017

Jennifer Rebecca Luke Jackson has returned to her heavenly home 45 years after Robert and Eileen Luke rejoiced at her arrival in Orange County, California on April 24, 1972. The oldest of five children, Jennifer grew up in Seattle, Washington, a place she loved for its fun cultural vibe and year-round greenery, though not for its often dreary weather. Jennifer instead preferred warm, sunny days, in keeping with her warm, sunny personality. She was a friend to all, and brought light into the lives of all the souls she touched with her generous spirit and selfless acts of service.

As a child, Jenni set the example for her younger sisters and brother. In school, she excelled in anything related to art and design. Her younger siblings would be tormented by teachers holding up Jenni's work years later as an example of the "perfect" project for other students to follow.

Not surprisingly for one so gifted in design, Jennifer pursued a career in architecture, earning her Master of Architecture degree from the University of Oregon in 1998, and going on to work as a project architect and medical planner for firms in Washington, DC; Salt Lake City, Utah; and Charlottesville, Virginia. Jennifer specialized in designing hospitals and other medical facilities, and worked on several multi-million dollar projects, including at the National Institutes of Health in Bethesda, Maryland; the University of Virginia Health System in Charlottesville; and the Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh. She also taught for several years at the prestigious Corcoran College of Art +

Design. Although she was proficient in computer-aided design, Jennifer was a proud member of a dwindling cadre of architects that still knew how to draft by hand, and she always brought a sketch-artist's eye to her work.

To say that Jennifer was also active in her church and in the community would be a profound understatement. She was a do-it-all, give-everything, help-everyone kind of person. She served three times as the Relief Society President (the head of the local Mormon women's organization) and was for three years the PTA President at Randolph Elementary School in Arlington, Virginia. She also served for six years on Arlington County's Advisory Council on School Facilities and was a vocal advocate for public schools. In her honor, the Randolph PTA has created the Jennifer Luke Jackson Community Service Award, to be given at the Fifth Grade Promotion ceremony to a student with an especially big heart and generous spirit like Jennifer's.

Notwithstanding her professional, church, and community accolades, Jennifer's proudest legacy will always be her three children: Ethan (11), Victoria (8), and Katherine (5). Everything she did as a mother was devoted to ensuring that her children would grow up to be kind, loving, diligent, and devoted to following the example of Jesus Christ. Never judgmental of others, Jennifer truly lived a Christlike life, and has now gone to be with Him in eternal peace.

Jennifer Rebecca Luke Jackson, age 45 of Alexandria, VA died at her residence on Friday, June 2, 2017.

Survivors include her husband Christopher D. Jackson; her children Ethan, Victoria and Katherine Jackson; her parents Robert and Eileen Luke; a brother Jonathan Luke and her sisters Juliann Luke Law, Shannon Luke Davidson and Melissa Luke Aldridge.

The family will receive friends on Friday, June 9, 2017 from 6:30 PM until 8:30 PM at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 3900 Howard Street, Annandale, Va. 22003 where funeral services will be held on Saturday, June

10, 2017 at 10:00 AM. Interment Fairfax Memorial Park.

In lieu of flowers donations in memory of Jennifer Jackson can be made to Conquer Cancer Foundation at conquer.org.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN **9**. 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM (ET)

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints
3900 Howard Street
Annandale, VA

Service

JUN **10**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

DB

“ I am Jenny's cousin. We grew up on opposite coasts, but in 1998 we both had the opportunity to live with our grandmother. I am thankful to have had the chance to really get to know her. I have not met anyone near as nice and kind as her. I still think about her to this day.

Dave Berry - May 19, 2025 at 05:38 PM

VI

“ She was my beautiful mother. I shared lot's of memories with her as I grew up, I did not know to react when my father told me she died. I was devastated. I still miss her and wish she was here.

-Victoria E. Jackson

Victoria - November 25, 2019 at 07:54 PM

KD

I feel the same way, darling Tori. I love and miss her still; I always will. You are so like her. I love you. Hugs.

Karen M Densford - May 27, 2024 at 09:29 PM



“ Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Jennifer Jackson.



June 09, 2017 at 11:57 AM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Jennifer Jackson.*



June 09, 2017 at 09:26 AM



“ *Many years ago the Luke family lived just up the street from our family. Our five boys loved spending time with the Luke children. My husband and I loved raising our children with all of the Luke children. We respect and admire Bob and Eileen and are grateful for their friendship all of these years. Thank you for sharing the obituary of your beautiful daughter with us. She accomplished more in 45 years than most people are able to accomplish in a lifetime. She is an inspiration to us. Our thoughts and prayers are with the Luke and Jackson family at this time. Love, Bob and Cathy Bean*

Cathy Bean - June 08, 2017 at 12:46 PM



“ *Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Jennifer Jackson.*



June 07, 2017 at 11:08 PM


Charles
Armga

“ Charles Armga purchased the *Pink Tribute Spray* for the family of Jennifer Jackson.



Charles Armga - June 07, 2017 at 03:48 PM

EF

“ Ed & Barb, Randy, Doug, Lara & the THG Family purchased the *Beautiful Dreams* for the family of Jennifer Jackson.



Ed & Barb, Randy, Doug, Lara & the THG Family - June 07, 2017 at 03:37 PM



“ *Pink Tribute Spray* was purchased for the family of Jennifer Jackson.



June 07, 2017 at 12:58 PM



Charles
Armga

“ *Bob and family,
I cannot imagine the pain of losing a daughter, no matter the age or situation. The weight of losing a cherished family member stays with us always; thankfully that weight can be filled with memories of a shared life happily lived. Nothing will make this time easier, we all know that. We are all here to share in both the joy of her life, the sadness of her passing, and the solemn calm of the strength we all have deep inside that helps to carry us through the hard times and back to the all the joy life has to offer. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.*

Charles Armga - June 07, 2017 at 11:51 AM

TF

“ *The Eric Arbuckle Family purchased the Sunny Memories for the family of Jennifer Jackson.*



The Eric Arbuckle Family - June 07, 2017 at 09:03 AM

KM

“ A few days ago, my sweet, angel warrior friend returned to her Heavenly Home. She endured great pain and suffering from cancer that only the bravest, strongest souls can endure. I'm glad she is free now in every way.

We began our deep friendship twenty years ago, when we were young, adventurous and the world was ours to grasp. We had career dreams and bucket lists. At the top of our list was a desire for eternal love and family. We found the men who would make that happen and married within a year of each other, each of us making the smartest decisions we've ever made. We became mothers for the first time, just weeks apart.

Our families continued to bond over the years. Rarely a year went by that wasn't filled with trips to Cox's Farms, visits to Santa, fruit picking, mall shopping, Girl's nights out, day trips to surrounding sights and family vacations to the Outer Banks, North Carolina. It's so difficult to imagine the beach without her. But I know she is close and watching over us.

It was not lost on me that she left this earth on National Donut Day. We loved donuts, especially Duck Donuts. A donut is shaped like a lifesaver, and that's truly what she's been in my life. So each year on that day, I will raise a donut and toast a beautiful soul, the sister I chose, and celebrate the life we shared together. Then I'll bow my head to thank God, whose ultimate sacrifice ensures that death has no victory!

I love you Jen and will watch over Chris, Ethan, Tori, and Katie!

Love,
Kaylene, James and Mackenzie Moore

Kaylene Moore - June 07, 2017 at 08:34 AM

CH

“ *The pain, the grief and the feelings of helplessness can seem unbearable. At such time the word's of God can be a source of comfort. We have the assurance from God that He will swallow up death forever and wipe tears from all faces. (Isaiah 25:8). I am sorry for your loss.*

Char - June 07, 2017 at 04:59 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Jennifer Jackson.*



June 06, 2017 at 05:25 PM

AM

“ *When I was a young teenager my mother, Susan Winters, asked Jenni to show me what she was doing for interior design so I could see if it was something that interested me. She showed me the waiting rooms she was working on. I was surprised by the colors and she explained they used neutral warm colors because the elderly and sick are often cold and that the colors can actually help them feel more comfortable. She was always so kind to me. Love to your family*

Andrea Winters Martin

Andrea Winters Martin - June 06, 2017 at 04:43 PM