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Jennifer Stephens Obituary

Jennifer Vanessa Stephens, age 49, died August 8, 2021 after a courageous four year battle with cancer. A beloved daughter, sister, and auntie has gone to heaven. She was born September 17, 1971 in Canton, Ohio and was a 1989 graduate of Jackson High School in Massillon, OH. Jenny went on to earn her degree in Physical Therapy from Ohio University in 1996. She profoundly loved her work as a Physical Therapist and was deeply committed to the health of her patients. The last 20 years of her career were spent at Southwest General as an Outpatient Therapist where she touched the lives of so many. Family and friends knew her as a loving, generous, enigmatic, witty and often hilarious boss of the family. She loved to cook and was an incredible hostess; organizing all family events and photographing and archiving the family stories every step of the way. Family and friends were everything to Jenny, she was incredibly close with all of her nieces and nephews and they adored her. Her group of friends at Ohio University formed a deep bond and are forever known as the gOulden girls. The group's annual gatherings filled with revelry and camaraderie were a highlight on her social calendar. In her spare time she was an avid reader, an incredible chef and a huge Cleveland Sports Fan. She loved music and singing, and we certainly will never forget her exuberant off key one-woman car shows, singing everything from Streisand to Bon Jovi, equally entertaining and annoying her passengers along the way. Jenny's final thoughts were for her family and friends and that her Cleveland Browns would finally win a superbowl. Her beloved Browns, Cavs and Indians now have a new "Guardian" Angel on their side, as do we all. She will be missed by so many and treasured forever. Jenny is survived by her parents Fred and Anne Stephens of Elyria; her sisters Heather (Scott) Demos of Huron, Jacquie Stephens of Grafton, & Beth (Tom) Anderson of Reynoldsburg; and nieces and nephews, Stephen, Danny, Olivia, Allison, and Charlotte who were the light of her



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life. Friends and family will be received Friday August 13, 2021 from 4:00 -7:00 pm at Dicken Funeral Home & Cremation Service, 323 Middle Avenue, Elyria. A memorial service will be Saturday, August 14, 2021 at 11:00 am in the funeral home with Reverend Charles T. Diedrick officiating. Burial will be in Ridge Hill Memorial Park, Amherst. Memorial contributions may be made to UH Siedman Cancer Center online at [https://support.uhgiving.org/site/Donation2?](https://support.uhgiving.org/site/Donation2?1640.donation=form1&df_id=1640&mfc_pref=T)

[1640.donation=form1&df_id=1640&mfc_pref=T](https://support.uhgiving.org/site/Donation2?1640.donation=form1&df_id=1640&mfc_pref=T) For online condolences, visit www.dickenfuneralhome.com Visitation Dicken Funeral Home and Cremation Service Friday, August 13, 2021 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM 323 Middle Avenue Elyria, OH 44035 Memorial Service Dicken Funeral Home and Cremation Service Saturday, August 14, 2021 11:00 AM 323 Middle Ave. Elyria, OH 44035 Graveside Ridge Hill Memorial Park Saturday, August 14, 2021 North Ridge Rd. Amherst Township, OH 44001

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LM

Lou & Darlene Milavickas posted:

In Loving Memory of Jennifer Vanessa Stephens, Celebrating a life well lived whose memories will be cherished forever. A Sympathy Gift of Group of 10 Memorial Trees has been Planted In Loving Memory of Jennifer Vanessa Stephens courtesy of Lou & Darlene Milavickas .

August 12 at 8:00 PM

TF

The Dennis Family posted:

In Loving Memory of Jennifer Vanessa Stephens. May these trees stand in memory of the love and support Jenny gave to us all. You will always be in our thoughts and remain forever in our hearts. A Sympathy Gift of Cluster of 50 Memorial Trees has been Planted In Loving Memory of Jennifer Vanessa Stephens courtesy of The Dennis Family.

August 12 at 8:00 PM

GM

Greg Morris posted:

Deepest Sympathies to family and close friends. Im very sad to hear of this news. She was always so full of energy and spirit at JHS.

August 10 at 8:00 PM

BK

Barb Kraynik posted:

God bless Jenny. We worked together at Doctors Hospital and had a blast. Jenny was always cheerful and such a joy to be around. We were sorry to see her move to Cleveland, but she was never forgotten. Will miss you Jenny.

August 9 at 8:00 PM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Jennifer by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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