



Anne Marie Donoho

November 6, 1957 - March 28, 2015

Anne M. Donoho (née Demos) 57, devoted her life to making the world a better place for animals and, professionally, ensuring that the companies she worked for got their money's worth and played by the rules. She died March 28, 2015 at her home in Miromar Lakes, Florida after waging a valiant battle with brain cancer.

Born November 6, 1957, to George A. and Josephine E. Demos, she grew up in Whittier, California, graduating from Sierra High School. She earned a bachelor's degree in accounting from San Diego State University and her MBA from the University of Southern California.

Anne began her career with the accounting firm of Ernst and Whinney (now known as Ernst and Young), then took a position with American Airlines where, as an operational auditor, she traveled the world. She subsequently worked for the Denny's Corporation while obtaining her MBA and later joined the Walt Disney Company, where she was the Director of Accounting and Reporting. Anne moved on to assume the position of Controller at the Broadway Stores, a retail chain; it was there she met and later married a fellow executive, Burnett Donoho.

When the company was sold to Federated Department Stores, the couple moved to Denver, where Burnett became CEO of a health company and Anne

volunteered in an exotic animal wildlife sanctuary. A few years later, Burnett retired and moved to Florida, while Anne continued her career, moving to New York City and working as a financial consultant. She joined Burnett in Southwest Florida in 2006 and concluded her 30-year accounting career in senior finance positions at Tigrent, Cape Coral, Florida and Carnival Cruise Lines, Miami.

Through her life, Anne's true passion has been helping animals, both domestic and exotic. In addition to doting on her house pets, she helped countless other animals by serving on the board of the Los Angeles SPCA. She also corrected accounting practices at a wildlife sanctuary while helping to raise a tiger cub there. She also participated in two Earthwatch expeditions, a three week trip to Madagascar to study the cat-like fossa; and a two week excursion to Namibia, Africa, to work with cheetahs.

Anne is survived by her husband, Burnie W. Donoho of Miromar Lakes, FL; her parents, George A. and Josephine E. Demos of Dana Point, CA; sister, Jeannette (Kevin) Halvorsen, of Salem, OR; and a nephew, Douglas G. Halvorsen, of Hillsboro, OR as well as her beloved dogs, Tia and Peanut and cat, Sammie.

A memorial service to celebrate her life will be held Thursday, April 2, 2015 at 2:00 PM in the Chapel at the First Presbyterian Church of Bonita Springs 9751 Bonita Beach Rd., Bonita Springs, FL with Rev. Dr. Douglas G. Pratt, officiating.

To honor her memory, Anne asked that donations be made to the Best Friends Animal Sanctuary, 5001 Angel Canyon Rd., Kanab, UT 84741 or ASPCA, P.O. Box 96929, Washington, DC 20077-7127.

Arrangements are being handled by Shikany's Bonita Funeral Home.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

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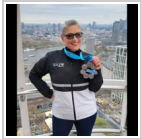
First Presbyterian Church of Bonita Springs
9751 Bonita Beach Rd.
Bonita Springs, FL 34135

Tribute Wall



“ *Anne Marie Donoho*

October 09, 2023 at 03:40 AM



“ *When Anne was in New York, I was her personal trainer. She was always cheerful, kind and humble. She was a true lady and amazing animal actist. Rest in Peace.*

Dorothy Yankou Evans

Dorothy Evans - April 01, 2015 at 10:42 AM



“ *Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Anne Marie Donoho.*



April 01, 2015 at 12:47 AM



“ *With Distinction was purchased for the family of Anne Marie Donoho.*



March 31, 2015 at 10:49 AM

KA

“ During Anne's time in Miami, we had a had a few adventures together including a full-moon kayak session on the ocean and wine and s'mores included. You will be missed but your smile and memory will live on. Kari

Kari - March 30, 2015 at 02:22 PM

AO

“ Miss Ann- May you rest in peace .. It was a pleasure knowing you .. You were some kinda AWESOME! <3 to her family PEACE & LOVE at this time.

Aura Ortiz - March 30, 2015 at 08:04 AM

Susan
Diaz

“ Anne was one of my dearest friends. Feisty determined full of life , she fought this horrible disease the same way she lived her life with a fierce determination .
Annie I will miss you so .




Susan Diaz - March 30, 2015 at 01:54 AM

TK

“ I have lots of wonderful memories with Anne and the entire Donoho family. I will always remember Anne as a true professional with a kind and generous spirit. Recently she remarked to me that (when she thought about it) "her life was really a remarkable ride and she didn't have too many complaints." Until we meet again my friend...
love Trish

Trish Kinzie - March 29, 2015 at 06:04 PM

 Rev.
Bye

“ Anne, you were my first friend. We had such fun times playing together and swimming in the neighbors pool. It was such a gift that even when we didn't live down the street from each other we still were friends. I remember summers sleeping in the tree houses, sewing matching dresses, eating peanut butter toast, and harassing Jeannette. I remember us all gathered in your living room to watch the first steps on the moon. Your life was a gift to me and remains a treasure.

Rev. Bye - March 29, 2015 at 05:39 PM

FI

Anne, It's been a long time since we were kids in Whittier. You were like my big sister that lived next door. I see you continued to set a good example of a good and productive life. You are amazing!

Frank M Engstrom III - July 30, 2015 at 12:17 PM