

BEVERLY JEAN (MILLER) MARKWITH

July 28, 1955-November 13, 2024



Beverly Jean (Miller) Markwith passed peacefully November 13, 2024, in Santa Monica, CA, after a lengthy and courageous battle with metastatic breast cancer.

Bev was born on July 28, 1955, in Pittsburgh, PA. A 1973 graduate of Shaler Area High School, and 1977 graduate of Slippery Rock University, Bev excelled in basketball, and was selected to the first class of the Shaler Area Hall of Fame. She was

an inaugural member of the USA Women's Olympic Team Handball team, and later volunteered at the 1984 LA Olympic Games.

In the 1980s, Bev moved to Los Angeles and worked in human resources for ten years. During that time she met and married Jeff, and together they started a family. After their son, Andrew, was born with Down Syndrome, she retired from HR and devoted her time to raising Andrew, and tirelessly advocating for him. Two years later, daughter Caroline arrived to complete the family.

Bev immensely enjoyed family life, and always encouraged a love of sports and fitness in her children. She truly was the glue that held the family together, somehow managing to coordinate all of the various activities in which everyone was involved, while assisting with the coaching of the various teams for Andrew and Caroline. Her love, good humor, and endless energy is sorely missed.

She is predeceased by her parents, Donald and Virginia Miller; and by her in-laws, Denver and Marjorie Markwith. She is survived by Jeffrey, husband of 35 years; son, Andrew; and daughter, Caroline (Drew) Crytzer; siblings, Donald (Linda) Miller, Barbara (John) Swiderski and John (Arleen) Miller; sister-in-law, Mary (Evan) Mason; and eight nieces and nephews.

Memorial contributions may be made in Beverly's name to the Special Olympics of Southern California, and to the Cancer Support Center of Los Angeles.

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