



Debra Ann Farwell

August 11, 2018

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October 29, 1953 – August 11, 2018

Deb was a woman who embodied love, light, kindness, and generosity of the soul. Deeply spiritual, she was a woman of endless heart, enormous intellect and equally enormous talent. Some people are beings of positive energy and grace that touch you and make the world an immensely better place to be. Deb Farwell made everything around her better, richer, warmer, kinder. She brought unconditional love to her husband of 25 years, Jonathan Farwell, and opened her heart and her arms to her sister Kathy Notarangelo, stepdaughters Alison Garrigan and Elisabeth Farwell-Moreland, and her grandchildren, Christopher Mitchell and Jessica Moreland. Deb was grace personified, keeping about her a beatific joy and calm that made this last, long journey with ovarian cancer one that became one of betterment for all whom she touched, rather than one of sadness and grief. In Deb's own words—No fears. No regrets. Deeply loved by all who knew her, her legacy of heart and hope will live on always in anyone who came within space of her smile.

Deb attended Stanford University before pursuing a singing career with her LA-based band Chameleon, and holding jobs with Bullock's in Sherman Oaks, Atari, and Gallo Wines in Modesto, California. Deb had a love of performing and singing, which she parlayed into a vibrant career on the stage. Two of her

favorite roles included Eliza Doolittle in My Fair Lady, and Audrey in Little Shop of Horrors. She met her future husband, Jonathan in 1994 when they met and performed together in the first of three productions of Shadowlands at Columbia Actors' Rep in California. They married onstage a year later, in 1995, when they reprised the production in Ashland, OR. Once in the Fort Collins area, Deb became a beloved performing and directing presence for many years with such theatres as Bas Bleu Theatre, Midtown Arts Dinner Theatre, OpenStage Theatre, and Pop Up Theatre, often working alongside her equally beloved husband, Jonathan. Her skilled work will be remembered here for such diverse roles as Sylvia in Sylvia, The Fool in King Lear, and Maria Callas in Master Class.

Deb requested that, in lieu of flowers, donations be made to Talespinner Children's Theatre, at www.talespinnerchildrenstheatre.org

A memorial service will be held at 6pm on Wednesday, September 19, 2018 at the Lincoln Center, 417 W. Magnolia St., Fort Collins, CO 8052. Doors open at 5:30pm.

<https://www.coloradoan.com/story/life/2018/08/14/saying-goodbye-deb-note-farwell-force-fort-collins-theater/987734002/>

<https://www.denvercenter.org/the-death-of-deb-note-farwell-a-drop-rejoins-the-ocean/>

Previous Events

Memorial Service

SEP **19**. 5:30 PM (MT)

Lincoln Center
417 West Magnolia Street
Fort Collins, CO 80521

Tribute Wall



“ *Debra Ann Farwell*

October 25, 2022 at 06:14 PM



“ *If she is the same Debbie Notarangelo that lived in Concord, CA, I knew her in school. She was the smartest and one of the nicest person I knew. I lost touch with her after high school. I always admired her.*

Linda D Sheldon - May 17, 2021 at 11:09 AM



“ *I directed Deb in Little Shop Of Horrors twice. There is no way to adequately express the loss of her to this world. I love her implicitly and know that my life was made better by her presence in it. It is seldom we meet such exemplary folk.*

Norman Fletcher - November 02, 2019 at 07:53 AM



“ *Bobby And Nancy Brewster lit a candle in memory of Debra Ann Farwell*



Bobby and Nancy Brewster - September 17, 2018 at 06:23 AM

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“ We so miss Deb. I never saw a frown on her face, always upbeat. When we'd meet up with her at a play she was so expressively welcoming, always a hug, just a wonderful woman. Her acting was so memorable-there are easily a half dozen roles that come to mind-always done adroitly and never any 'overacting' . She was a fine actor to the end, never any 'why me' or request for sympathy on her part. Just welcoming her voyage ahead. Clearly we will all miss Deb, but are richer for our association over the past dozen years.
Harland and MaryAnn Ranney

Harland Ranney - September 11, 2018 at 11:16 PM