



Jennifer Gwyn McLain

February 21, 1961 - May 8, 2017

Jennifer Gwyn (Roder) McLain, age 56, Fort Collins CO, passed away at home with her family by her side on Monday, May 8, 2017 after battling pancreatic cancer.

Jennifer was born Feb 21, 1961 in Moorhead, MN, to Carl Roder and Delores Langfeldt. During high school, she met the love of her life, Mark Douglas McLain. She attended Moorhead State University. Missing her love, she followed Mark to Fort Collins in 1981. She continued her education at the University of Northern Colorado. They married on July 30, 1983 in Lake George, MN. They were blessed with two children; Michael in 1988 and Sara in 1991. She worked for Colorado State University in the HR Department for almost 27 years. She was an avid reader, enjoyed cooking and baking, watching DIY shows and ghost & murder mysteries, and liked gardening. Jennifer and the family enjoyed spending time together playing board games, doing jigsaw puzzles, and traveling.

In March 2016 Jennifer was diagnosed with Stage 4 Pancreatic Cancer. The family decided to make the most of the time she had, so they visited family and friends across the country, even taking an Alaskan Cruise. By September 2016 the cancer forced her to retire early from her long time employment at the Colorado State University.

She was preceded in death by her parents. She is survived by her husband, Mark, of Fort Collins, Co; two children, Michael McLain, of Basalt, CO and Sara McLain, of Fort Collins, CO; three siblings William "Bill" Roder, and his wife, Tami, of Moorhead, MN, Robert "Bob" Roder, and his wife, Sherie, of Excelsior Springs, MO, and Julie Roder, of Moorhead, MN; and two nephews Carlos and Javier Roder of Excelsior Springs, MO.

An on-campus Celebration of Jennifer's Life will be held May 18th at 3:00 pm in the Cherokee Park Ballroom at the Lory Student Center at Colorado State University. The family would especially like to thank the staff of Pathways Hospice for their caring services. In lieu of flowers, please send a donation to The American Cancer Society or Pancreatic Cancer Action.

Tribute Wall



“ Jennifer Gwyn McLain

October 25, 2022 at 06:14 PM



“ Just a sweet dear thoughtful intelligent young woman. I remember her with great affection. If it hadn't been for her caring nature, I would not be getting my benefits. She was always willing to help anyone. Her knowledge of HR surpassed many. I am saddened to think she is gone and had such a devastating disease. My sincere love and prayers to Mark and her two children!!! She was a "amazing woman"!!!❤️🙏❤️

marykay pixley - May 20, 2017 at 12:59 PM



“ I want to remember Jennifer as the happy person she always was. We had lots of good times in Payroll before she left and went to Human Resouces. I'm sorry to say I hadn't followed up on her and just so sorry for the family. Mark and kids, I;m thinking of you!
Judi Holter Horning

Judi Holter Horning - May 18, 2017 at 09:46 AM



“ Last night I thought about the time you stood up for me, when that older gal was picking on me. I do not recall if I ever said thank you, but I really appreciated it and I felt like a STAR with a body guard. Thank you for being a wonderful role model, my big sister, and my body guard!
Love YOU, Julie

Julie Roder - May 17, 2017 at 11:38 AM

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“ *LeAnne Schnader lit a candle in memory of Jennifer Gwyn McLain*



LeAnne Schnader - May 17, 2017 at 12:29 AM

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“ *She looked great though her battle*



Judy - May 14, 2017 at 01:06 PM

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“ *I will not be able to attend...my thoughts and prayers will be with the family...*



Judy - May 14, 2017 at 01:03 PM

Julie Roder

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Julie Roder - May 13, 2017 at 11:29 AM

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Julie Roder - May 12, 2017 at 02:56 PM

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Julie Roder - May 12, 2017 at 02:15 PM

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“ Chrissy lit a candle in memory of Jennifer Gwyn McLain



Chrissy - May 12, 2017 at 02:09 PM