



Janet Jeffery Tanner Updike

March 23, 1953 - April 22, 2017

Janet Jeffery Tanner Updike passed peacefully in her home in Washington, UT April 22 after battling brain cancer for over three years. The youngest of Eldro and Leona Jeffery's five children, Janet was born on March 23, 1953 in Delta, UT where she grew up until she attended BYU. In 1972 she married Max Clark Tanner. They settled in Las Vegas where she raised her children Jeff (Mary), Jamie (Thad) Garlick, Danny (April) and Melissa (David) Eggertsen.

She was sealed to her sweetheart, John Updike in April 2010 and scored seven more children: Paul, Anjenette (Jonathan) Pond, Elisabeth (dec), John Robert (dec), Lorianne (Lance) Toler, Peter (Eli) and Caroline. She has 12 grandchildren, plus 14 more through marriage.

Janet was a lifelong learner, a compassionate humanitarian and an extensive world traveler. She earned her MBA and PhD and taught accounting at UNLV and BYU. She blessed countless lives through her energetic and selfless service. She poured her heart into HELP International, a nonprofit dedicated to fighting poverty. There were no strangers in her life, only friends she hadn't yet met. She was loved by all.

Janet is survived by her children, her ever-loving and devoted husband, John Updike, and her 4 siblings: Larry, Duane, Gayla Erickson and David. She is

reunited with her parents and infant daughter Mikayla Tanner.

The family especially would like to thank the wonderful help who aided Janet over the last couple of years.

A viewing will be held Wednesday April 26 from 6:30-8pm at Serenity Funeral Home, 1316 S. 400 E. in St George, UT. Funeral services will be held on Saturday April 29 at 11am at the LDS chapel at 2900 N. Timpview Drive in Provo, UT. A viewing will be held at 9:30am. Following the funeral services, Janet will be interred at the Delta, UT cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to help-international.org in Janet's memory.

Tribute Wall

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“ Ric & Marty Adams and Family purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Janet Jeffery Tanner Updike.



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