



Carol Isabelle Higgins

December 13, 1959 - January 27, 2019

Carol Isabelle Higgins passed away after a long, courageous health battle on January 27, 2019 at UCLA Ronald Reagan Hospital. Born to Dr. George A. and Isabelle (Heck) Higgins in Washington DC on December 13, 1959, Carol was the youngest of five (Alfred, Donald, Heather Aanes and Laura Palmer). Carol earned a BS in Psychology from Georgetown University, a MS in Psychology from Univ of Connecticut and a PhD in Psychology from University of California Berkeley. Married to fellow UC Berkeley PhD John Matthew Hutchinson on July 17, 1993 in Santa Barbara, Carol and John had recently celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary. Their son, George, is currently attending Berkeley studying Electrical Engineering and Computer Science. Carol taught psychology at UC Berkeley and San Jose State and was research director of the child studies center. Carol leaves behind her beloved rescue dog, Bermuda, and is pre-deceased by dogs Bo, Riley and Charlie. Carol loved friends, swimming, dogs, flowers, watermelon, the color pink and sewing.

Thanks go to to Drs. James Egan, David Fisk, Mukul Gupta, Timothy Rodgers and Brittany Bryan as well as the entire care staff of SB Cottage Hospital and UCLA Ronald Reagan Hospital for their medical expertise and compassionate care.

Donations in Carol's memory to one of her favorite animal charities, UC Davis Vet School Companion Animal Remembrance and Endearment Fund, can be made in lieu of flowers.

Tribute Wall

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“ Carol was a bright light, and an important part of my life during the time that she was pursuing her Masters and Doctorate. I recall that she had hurt her back and taken to swimming. Carol was supportive, warm and a compassionate person who will be missed. Although we were no longer in touch later in life, I was sure our paths would cross again. I extend my condolences to her family as her passing must be a great loss to them and her close friends.

Sincerely,

John R. Van Plantinga Jr.

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