



Elizabeth Jane Lee

September 6, 2020

Elizabeth Jane Lee, 59, of West Hartford, CT, passed peacefully in her sleep on Sunday, September 6th, 2020 due to complications from terminal cancer.

She was born to the late John and Jessy Cartwright on May 30th, 1961 in Birmingham, UK. Jane received a BSc in mathematics from the University of Birmingham in 1982. She married Jonathan Andrew Lee on March 18th, 1989 in Newcastle upon Tyne, UK where the couple had their son and daughter: Andrew Lee of West Hartford, CT and Katherine Lee of Dayton, Ohio. The family's adventures moved her across the pond to the US in 1996 where she lived in Raleigh, NC until 1997, San Mateo, CA until 2003, Madison, CT until 2011, and then in West Hartford, CT.

In each of these homes, Jane nurtured an open and supportive environment which helped her family to flourish. Her extraordinary sense of compassion along with her natural predisposition to care for others led her to become a 'mother' to more than just her two biological children, serving as a critical point of support in the lives of many of her children's friends as well as the de facto 'team mom' for her son's rugby team.

Jane's creative and adventurous spirit is reflected by her diverse career which included roles as a business consultant, project manager, business analyst, and rental property manager as well as positions at Whole Foods and, ultimately, at Starbucks. To each of these positions, Jane brought an extraordinary work ethic and even more extraordinary wit as well as a deep love for her coworkers and customers.

A private memorial service will be held at Molloy Funeral Home in West Hartford on Saturday, September 12th at 10 a.m. In lieu of flower, the family asks that donations be made to the Dr. Susan Love Foundation for Breast Cancer Research. Due to Covid restrictions on attendance the service will be streamed at <https://client.tribucast.com/tcid/21959866>

Comments



“ An external video has been added.



Molloy Funeral Home - September 11, 2020 at 09:18 AM



“ Deeply saddened to hear of Jane’s passing, a person whose energy and enthusiasm has no doubt brightened the lives of all who were lucky enough to know her. I will always be grateful for Jon and Jane’s kindness during my early career at QSP. I’m sure her light shines on in Andrew and Katherine.

My thoughts for the family at this time, with sincere condolences.

Clive N.

Clive Nicholson - September 13, 2020 at 12:57 PM



“ She was an amazing woman. I am so very glad that she came into my store looking for a job and that she was so willing to share her time, energy, love and compassion with us all. She made me smile every time I saw her.

Michelle Boisseau - September 12, 2020 at 06:53 PM



“ As a partner at Starbucks with her, we opened Bishops Corner together for the better part of a year and a half. I will always remember the many words of wisdom and inspiration. Her encouragement is one of the reasons I am where I am today.

Josh Titkemeyer - September 12, 2020 at 10:13 AM



“ Jane's spirit will always live in all the beautiful memories she shared with so many of us. I first met Jane when we worked together for several years while at Whole Foods, the conversations were always so sincere and genuine, varying from life to the weather. She was always a joy to be around and such an understanding individual. Afterwards we were nearby Starbucks partners and when we'd cross paths at either starbucks we worked at, a hug was always shared along with some catch up of how we had been. She was a genuinely loving person and will be missed immensely by many; sending as much love and prayers to her family

Aishah Zaharah - September 12, 2020 at 10:12 AM



“ I was a regular customer at Starbucks where Jane had been working for the last year or so. She was always so pleasant, warm and friendly. So shocked and sad to hear of her passing. Prayers and warm thoughts to her family.

Kelly McCaffrey - September 11, 2020 at 08:21 PM



“ I first met Jane and also Jon back in Jan 92 when I started working for them as a nanny looking after Andrew. 2 years later along came Katherine. I then moved to the US with them where we lived in Raleigh NC I stayed there till Dec 96. I remember when we went through our first hurricane called Fran Jane and I moved the kids down stairs to sleep and we both stayed up all night. I remember Halloween 96 when Jane was at work Andrew, Kathrine and myself decorated the house for Jane coming home but didn't tell her. I then went back many years later to visit them all in CT and had a lovely week with Jane, Jon, Andrew and Katherine. I've always looked forward each Christmas to the Christmas card Jane sent out with a lovely newsy letter about what everyone has been getting up to each year. I'm still in total shock at the sad news but cherish and look back fondly at the years that I have known Jane and of course Jon, Andrew and Katherine xxx



Gillian Prior - September 11, 2020 at 07:56 PM



“ Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Elizabeth Jane Lee.



September 11, 2020 at 12:00 PM