



Amy Smith Angelastro

February 25, 2007

Amy Smith Angelastro, 39, beloved and precious daughter of Arlene ?Ming? Angelastro of West Hartford and Anthony Angelastro of Vero Beach, FL, died Sunday, February 25, 2007, at her home. Amy attended West Hartford schools and graduated from the University of Connecticut. Amy loved life and put her all into everything; her work as an outplacement executive; her travels and most of all, her friends. Amy eventually moved to Southern California. She embraced her life there, surrounding herself with more friends and fun. She was always full of entertaining stories of her good times in California and her work as a talent agent for foreign actors. It is also in California where Amy was diagnosed with cancer. She battled the disease tenaciously, as was her style. She continued to be with her friends and to travel worldwide. Most importantly, she made plans for her future. Amy returned to West Hartford in the summer of 2005 and with the same determination and will to continue her fight against cancer. Her will and spirit were aided by many of the doctors and staff of St. Francis Cancer Center. Amy?s mother expressly wishes to specifically thank Dr. Bilgrami and nurse Elaine and all of the staff of St. Francis Cancer Center for their extraordinary care of Amy. The staff of the St. Francis Hospice office was instrumental in providing comfort and care. Their service was extremely appreciated. Amy?s friends have sustained her through their constant love and support. Our thanks to so many who visited, wrote cards and called often. Amy loved her friends very much and treasured all of her friendships. Ming wished to thank her many friends and neighbors for their

constant hope, love and support. Amy is also survived by her sister, Susan and her husband, Robert Hodakowski; her sister Lynn Carr and her husband, Jim; her nephews Neal and Henry Carr; her uncle Ted Smith and Aunts Camille and Mary Angelastro and Jeanne Migliore; many cousins, especially Donna Hewett. Amy was predeceased by her devoted maternal grandparents of Canaan, Maine. The funeral will be Thursday at 10 a.m. at St. Peter Claver Church, 47 Pleasant St., West Hartford. Calling hours are Wednesday from 3-5 and 7-9 p.m. at the Molloy Funeral Home, 906 Farmington Ave., West Hartford. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations may be made in Amy's memory to the St. Francis Cancer Center, 114 Woodland St. Hartford, CT 06105.

Tribute Wall

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“ Today is April 15, 2020, the day I found out my friend Amy from Corona Del Mar, CA has passed !

For all this time I have wondered what happened to Amy and where she went. I was with her during her beginnings with cancer here in CA.

We spent some life changing moments and time together. She needed a friend and that is what we had, short but heartfelt. Amy, sorry it took me 13 years to find out of your passing, you are missed !

Amy and I picked out wigs during her hair transition time....we had fun with it!

Spent some fun and heartfelt times with Amy at her awesome place with an ocean view rooftop adventures.

I ride my motorcycle past her house at least 5 nights per week for amazing sunsets outside where she lived back then, did this for the past 15 years. I always remember the good times and tough times and always wondered what happened to Amy all those rides and years gone by with no answers, just short memories.

She was in my life and I in hers for such a short time. She was fun to be with and threw great parties as well.

Now I know of her passing tonite and am saddened and cry. Please know your Amy always has a place in my heart after all these years.

Greg Konen

Costa Mesa, CA

greg konen - April 16, 2020 at 12:48 AM



“ Amy will never leave my memories. Ever. She was a friend, an inspiration... we shared an important period of our lives. I have very few words for her family, yet so many emotions overwhelm me as I write this... We shared many beliefs and plans for the future. She will always be part of my life.
My deepest condolences to her family. Jerome##imported-begin##Jerome Cohen-Oliver##imported-end##

May 28, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ Amy was my first new friend when I moved to California in August, 1998; in fact, she was the one who suggested I move into "her" neighborhood, Corona del Mar--within 20 min. of meeting each other. To all those who know how "particular" Amy can be, then you know what an honor it was for me to be included in Amy's Circle so quickly.

I miss her... please note my understatement. I miss her.

My love to all of Amy's family and friends.##imported-begin##Peter Mendivil##imported-end##

April 02, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ To The Angelastro Family and her many, many friends:
My name is Chris Edwards and I just received the news of Amy's passing after searching for her online. I'm very sorry for your loss and I miss her tremendously. We dated both in Corona del Mar and a couple more times in LA. She was hilarious, courageous, warm, sweet, giving, smart.. so many things. No one I've ever met made me laugh so hard my stomach hurt. I've missed her ever since she had to leave back East. If any of her friends who've met me Kristen would like to call me, I can be reached at: 310963-5902
Chris Edwards###imported-begin###CHRIS EDWARDS###imported-end##

March 23, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ this ones for you amy. i havent heard from amy and was worried. when i called her cell phone the other day and it was turned off i knew something was wrong. i googled her and found out she had passed. i will always treasure the time we spent together and the encouragement she gave me. she was one of the few "real" people i have met in LA and i will never forget her!###imported-begin###matt fontana###imported-end##

March 21, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ amy, you are always in my heart and i am glad that we became friends. love, always. ashie###imported-begin###ashie###imported-end##

March 06, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ Ming, Tony and family - so sorry to hear about Amy's passing. It is always difficult when a child passes so young. I didn't know Amy but it sounds as though she had a full and happy life. Jill and I reminisced the other night about Susan going to the World's Fair in NYC with us in 1964 while you kept Todd who was just a baby. That was 43 years ago!!
My prayers and thoughts are with you.##imported-begin##Doris Hedrick##imported-end##

March 04, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ As the step mother of Amy and the wife of Tony, we will remember all the wonderful times she and her extended family had together! She and Tony had such a special relationship, full of love and laughs. We are smiling at the memories. We loved you so.##imported-begin##linda angelastro##imported-end##

March 03, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Angelastro family and friends,

I had the absolute pleasure of representing Amy as her attorney in California. Her attitude and approach to life is the standard by which I will measure my own and all others. Amy will always be one of the most wonderful persons I have ever had the privilege to know in my life. Hers was truly a life fully lived. We have all lost something with her passing.

My deepest and most heartfelt condolences.##imported-begin##Doug Silverstein##imported-end##

March 01, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear family and friends of "our Amy",

I laid awake last night laughing and crying as I was reminiscing about the years I've known Amy. It was about 1993 or so when we had the pleasure of hiring Amy at Options Unlimited in Hartford perhaps her first "real" job out of college. That was the beginning of her thirst for the staffing industry. She was a STAR from day one! We knew Amy was different....and she was! Amy built more \$\$\$ for that company than several employees combined. She did it with such ease using her personality to open doors, but she also had a special gift to know when to turn it off and be all-business. That's when she engaged the "Eye of the Tiger!" Clients and candidates, alike, got so they only wanted to deal with Amy. She was flooded with cards and gifts of thanks all through the year. She treated all business associates as if they were the only person she had on her roster. And when they'd call the office, it never failed, she always knew them by name along with their dogs, cats, husbands, kids, hobbies, and personal problems!

Like all mentors, the time comes to push the "good ones" out of the nest. It was time for Amy to spread her wings and do the Calif. scene. While she had the skills to do anything in life she wanted to it was really her drive, determination, tenacity, integrity, guts, scrapiness, and competitiveness that served her well. She gave new meaning to dynamite in a small package. She didn't like to lose! When she returned to CT. for visits we'd go to lunch and I loved hearing Amy's stories of her Calif. adventures. She was living her dream!

Then God gave her a health challenge that angered all of us close to her. I have to say, however, that she taught me more about living than I ever taught her in the 6 or 7 years we worked together. Thanks, Amy, for showing me the importance of living, laughing, loving, and passion.

Amy, tonight we open a bottle of wine in your honor and toast in

celebration of your wonderful life on earth. I'm counting on seeing you in heaven and picking up where we left off. In the meantime, I see your smile, smell your perfume, admire your eclectic style, and hear your cunning jokes and comments that bring joy and happiness to the gloomiest of days. In knowing Amy there were no gloomy days.

Dang, Amy, I miss you already but I know God has big plans for you. So I best end this dialogue and let you get back to your new adventures.

Fondly,

*Marilyn Douglas
26 Old Mill Court
Simsbury, CT. 06070##imported-begin##Marilyn
Douglas##imported-end##*

February 28, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ To the Angelastro family:

Please accept my deepest condolences on the loss of your beloved Amy.

Amy came into my life at a time when I most needed a friend. We worked together at St. Francis for about 10 mos. During that time I learned that she had gone to UCONN with my son and although I was old enough to be her mother, we became very good friends.

We kept in touch even after I left St. Francis and she moved to California... She told me of her illness and we talked about everything she was going through.

Amy was a one of those rare individuals that leaves an imprint on your life even if you are miles apart.

She was a bright star in my life and I will never forget her. She will always be in my prayers.##imported-begin##Deanna Carbone##imported-end##

February 28, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ *I meet Amy while working at Options. My husband and I had moved from Texas, and I would have sworn she was southern with her great hospitality! She was the perfect tourguide on our adventures to NY and to Boston. We shared a love of food, wine and travels to Europe. She was always a joy to be around. I moved back to Texas and she moved to California, but she was never really far away. No one can replace her, she will be missed.##imported-begin##Jennifer Eckhart##imported-end##*

February 28, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ *The to Angelastro Family,
I just read the guest book and started to laugh and cry all over again. I share the sentiments of sooo many people. If only Amy could here how much we loved her. So if you would indulge me for a moment, I direct my thoughts to you, Amy. You were so brave to fight the fight. I know you are in a much better place and we are the ones suffering such a loss. I said 'goodbye' to a friend today but only until we meet again. Amy, enjoy this journey as you are in good hands. God will take care of you now. Amy, you'll always be in my thoughts and my heart. God Bless and keep you.##imported-begin##Sandi Davis##imported-end##*

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“ *Amy, you were always the bubbly one "down the hall" at Saint Francis Hospital. You were full of smiles, life and happiness. God bless and may the angels in heaven shine on you always.##imported-begin##Suzanne DeMatteo##imported-end##*

February 27, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ *Amy, you are and forever will be my very best friend. Thank you for changing my life and for 13 years of love, laughter and unconditional support. I am so very proud of your strength and determination. I feel blessed to have you in my life. Always honey, I love you.##imported-begin##Susan Salinger##imported-end##*

February 27, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ My condolences go out to Amy's family and friends. During my teen years into my twenties, Amy was a very important part of my life. We traveled together and literally shopped marathons around others. She was an integral part of my wedding and a great friend. Although we lost touch over the years, I will always remember her sense of style, great smile, sense of humor, and loyalty as a friend. She died too young yet lived life to the fullest. Her love of travel always impressed me and often when she would speak about her journeys I would feel like I had gone with her. Eventhough she was sick, Amy still thought of others and reminded me that last year at our high school reunion. Amy spoke to me about how my Aunt had died of breast cancer and how she had not forgotten that part of my life. We traded stories about how our lives took different paths. Her courage and strength were impressive and she had a wonderful attitude. I know Amy fought to the end based on her determination and love of life. Amy was a great human being and I know the world will be less exciting with her not in it. All my love to you Amy and to your family. Debbie EvansBellusci###imported-begin##Debbie Bellusci###imported-end##

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