



Tonia Marie Carruth

August 21, 1975 - February 15, 2021

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Tonia was born on August 21, 1975, to Eddie Dixon and Debra Chalmers in Talmage, California. Tonia decided to serve our country and went into the military right after high school. She was in the Air Force from 1994-2001. She was an Information Management Specialist for the 92nd Air Refueling Wing at Fairchild Airforce Base in Spokane. During her tenure in the military, she received numerous awards and accolades. Tonia took part in the Iraqi No-Fly Zone Enforcement Operations. On April 24th, 1999, Tonia married the man of her dreams, Aaron Carruth. They were the perfect couple and had so much in common. In January of 2002, she gave birth to their beloved son, Dylan. In February of 2006, she gave birth to their beloved daughter, Braelynn. Dylan and Braelynn were her pride and joy. This family was inseparable and they spent quality time camping, traveling, and having get-togethers with friends and family. They were the consummate family.

Tonia was so easygoing. She enjoyed her alone time and she enjoyed watching her favorite TV series especially horror movies, reading a book, baking, and cooking. She loved the holidays, playing games, and just having fun. She enjoyed life. Tonia was very involved with the kid's activities growing up and she was a leader for It is with great sadness that the Carruth family announces the passing of Tonia Carruth at age 45 on February 15th, 2021. In a matter of a month, Tonia complained of back pains, which was quickly diagnosed as ovarian cancer and after an operation, one dose of chemotherapy, she was gone. Tonia was an amazing wife, mother and friend. She was so very personable, caring and she was selfless. She was one of the most thoughtful people you would ever meet. She loved spending time with her family and friends. She had a good heart and she was so very fun to be with. She loved going on walks with her dog, Ruger

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Comments



“ I am so very sad to hear about Tonia. I worked with her at Bonneville Power and she was a very bright spot in the office. Always so cheerful and helpful. I know she loved her family to the moon and back! A beautiful soul gone too soon from this earth. Rest in Peace my friend.



Merrie Kelly - March 14 at 03:19 PM



“ Aaron and Family,

I just learned about Tonia. My heart goes out to you! I'm so glad I stayed in touch with her all these years after we served together at Fairchild AFB. My condolences for your loss!

Dawn Chase

Dawn Chase - March 01 at 10:41 PM



“ Thank you, Dawn. She loved getting your cards.

Aaron - March 06 at 01:14 AM



“ Aaron & Family,

My hart was also broken in hearing about the loss of Tonia. She was an amazing woman who I worked with at Oxarc. I know words can't express the loss you're feeling, but find comfort in knowing Tonia is in a better place. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

Again, my condolences..

George Phelan

George Phelan - February 28 at 01:07 PM



“ Thank you, George. She was one of the good ones, that's for sure.

Aaron - March 06 at 01:16 AM



“ Joe & Sunny Hasler is following this tribute.

Joe & Sunny Hasler - February 23 at 11:07 AM



“ This is my poem for my dear friend, Tonia Carruth.

In Memory of Tonia . . .

Huckleberry pancakes, huckleberry beer,
You once were so close, but now you're not here.

Tonia, my friend, how I cherish the days
When we grooved to the music we both called our favs!

"I'm a girl of the eighties", you told me one time,
"My music, n' movies, my mem-ries, are mine!"

Your stories of camping would fill me with smiles,
And when walking your Ruger, you covered the miles.

I'll miss you my friend, but I cherish the time
When we worked, went to lunch, shared some laughs,
Life was fine.

Joe Hasler

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Joe Hasler - May 29 at 11:40 PM



“ Tonia and Aaron have been our neighbors since they bought the house across Oak Street before Dylan was born. Our hearts are broken that Tonia has left us and we are filled with sadness. She was a wonderful friend, always kind and smiling. She often stopped by after walking Ruger to check on us and talk for awhile. We pray for healing and strength from the Lord for her family and friends. We will miss her.
Arlene & Jim Mowatt

Jim & Arlene Mowatt - February 22 at 03:49 PM



“ Thanks, you too! She loved you both.

Aaron - March 06 at 01:16 AM



“ Aaron, I am so sorry this has happened to your family. I know how much you will miss Tonia, and I know there are truly no words to take the hurt away. My husband, Don, died on January 16 after years of illness and suffering, but he, too is in a better place. I will always remember when Tonia brought the baby goat to work, and how much fun you both had with it. Take care of yourself. My best to you and your family.

Burke - May 05 at 06:54 PM



“ A poem written by a close family friend, Michael Eng. We hope you enjoy!

The Tower in the Sky
(A tribute to Tonia)

The smell of coffee early in the morning and the crackling of a campfire to warm the chill.

Spending time with my family, camping with the rv was my biggest thrill.

The peace, the serenity, the adventure of finding the perfect view. It didn't matter where we camped, just as long as I was with you.

The campsite I am at is so beautiful and surreal. One day, we'll camp there and you will see how it feels.

I'm free from the pain, it came so sudden, oh my; I wish I had time to say my goodbyes.

Don't fret, don't cry, I will always be there for you. Just look for me, in the tower in the sky.

Although I'll miss the ones that I love, it's not like I'm gone, I'm somewhere above.

Enjoy the things that we used to do; do it for me. Remember and embrace what I loved and you will see.

Unfortunately life is short, I'm sorry to say. Remember to cherish your life and enjoy it each day.

The next time I see you, I don't know when, I'll have the huckleberry pancakes and coffee ready, I'll see you then.

Don't fret, don't cry. I'll be there for you. Just look for me in the tower in the sky.



Aaron J Carruth - February 21 at 02:44 PM