

Remembering the life of...

Christel Urlaub, 46, West Fargo, passed away in her home under the care of her family and Hospice of the Red River Valley on March 18, 2020 after a courageous battle with cancer.

Christel Frank was born February 17, 1974, in Grandview, WA, the daughter of Thomas and Peggy (Ryan) Frank. She grew up and attended school there until graduating from high school in 1992.

While working as a deck hand on a charter boat in Westport, WA, she met her future husband, Brad Urlaub. They were married in Las Vegas, NV on November 11, 1995, and lived in Seattle until 1998 when they moved to North Dakota. Their daughter Colleen was born in 2001, followed by a second daughter Ashley in 2003. Throughout her working career Christel was employed by Microsoft and Border States Electric.

Christel took so much pride in raising her two daughters. She loved attending their activities and providing encouragement & love along the way. Christel was full of life and had the ability to impact the lives of those around her in such a positive way. Her sense of humor, contagious smile and heart of gold will be greatly missed by her family and friends. Christel enjoyed refinishing furniture, birdwatching, morel hunting, spending time at the ocean and working in her flower garden. She also enjoyed a trip to Disney World last year through the Inheritance of Hope program which her and her family are very thankful for.

Christel is survived by her husband, Brad, West Fargo; two daughters, Colleen and Ashley Urlaub, West Fargo; mother and step-father, Peggy and Dick Niebuhr, Grandview, WA; brother, Richard Niebuhr, Sandy, OR; mother and father in-law, Bob and Mae Urlaub, West Fargo; and several aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and cousins.

She was preceded in death by her father, Tom Frank; grandparents; half-brother, Daniel Aldrich; aunts and uncles.

Christel's family requests memorials be made to Inheritance of Hope or Hospice of the Red River Valley.



PEACEFUL REFLECTIONS



I'M FREE

Don't grieve for me,
for now I'm free!
I'm following the path
God laid for me.
I took His hand when I heard
Him call.
I turned my back
and left it all.
I could not stay another
Day, To laugh, to love, to work
or play.

Tasks left undone must
stay that way,
I found my peace at the end of day.
If my parting has left a void,
Then fill it with remembered joy-
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,
Oh yes, these things I too will miss.
But be not burdened with times of sorrow.
I wish for you the sunshine of tomorrow!
My life's been full, I've savored much-
Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch.
Perhaps my time seemed all too brief
Don't try to lengthen it with undue grief.
Lift up your heart and share with me.
God wanted me. He set me free!

CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF CHRISTEL URLAUB



MEMORIAL SERVICE

Lutheran Church Of The Cross
West Fargo, North Dakota
Monday, August 16, 2021 - 11:00 a.m.

Officiant

Rev. Joel Baranko
Ashley Urlaub, *eulogy*

Readings

Psalm 23 - Colleen Urlaub
John 14: 27-28
Matthew 28: 20

Music

"Walk Of Life", by Dire Straits
"I Lived", by OneRepublic

Congregational

"Amazing Grace"
"What A Friend We Have In Jesus"

Honorary Pallbearers

Tyler Minette Alex Urlaub Carter Ohleen

The family wishes to express their appreciation for your kindness and support during this difficult time. Please join them for lunch and fellowship immediately following the service.

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