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Lauren Marie Chapman Ruiz, Age 31, of Walnut Creek, CA (formerly of Pittsburgh, PA, and San Diego, CA), passed away on September 29, 2018. Beloved Wife of Miguel; Mother of Elizabeth and Samantha; Daughter of Laurence and Kim Chapman; Sister of Christopher Chapman and Matthew Chapman.

Lauren was a Senior User Experience Designer with a Masters Degree in Design from Carnegie Mellon. Her masters thesis focused on the design of service systems for chronic illness, and her full time career focused on improving the experience of healthcare patients, most recently at John Muir Health. In addition, as adjunct professor, she lectured at Carnegie Mellon University, California College of the Arts, and UC Berkeley's Jacobs Institute for Design Innovation. She believed designers can make a difference in people's lives when they apply courage and empathy to their work. She regularly volunteered her design skills at the Answering TTP Foundation.

Visitation will be held on Sunday, October 14, 2018, from 2 to 4 pm and 6 to 8 pm at the Jefferson Memorial Funeral Home, 301 Curry Hollow Road, Pittsburgh, PA. A Blessing Service will be held in the funeral home's chapel on Monday, October 15, 2018 at 10 am.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Answering TTP www.answeringttp.org. Online condolences may be left at www.jeffersonmemorial.biz.



Tribute Wall

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SB

Saata Bangura posted:

Thank you for all the memories, Lauren. You truly inspired me and so many others, and I miss your passionate spirit. May you rest in peace and power.

September 21 at 10:01 AM

RR

Roseanne Rockage posted:

Dear Kim, Larry, and Family, I was so saddened to read about Lauren's passing. I cannot even begin to imagine how you are feeling. Although I have not seen Lauren since she was a little girl in Pittsburgh, reading the cards and notes cards you have sent me throughout the years have helped me to learn about her as an adult. Reading the tributes that have been posted have helped me to learn about her accomplishments and what a remarkable human being she was. During this Christmas Season, please know there are many people praying for your family. May our prayers help to bring you peace. With deepest sympathy and much love, ~Roseanne, Fred, Richard, and Mark

December 25 at 7:31 AM

CN

Conan Nado posted:

I am devastated by Lauren's passing. Last I saw her, I gave her a big hug and told her everything would turn out great. 2 weeks later I heard the news. Her upbeat nature was always the "Ying" to the naturally cynical QA guys "Yang" at John Muir Health. Both parts were needed for harmony. I know she really appreciated James and myself. I so looked forward to seeing her back at work in early 2019, so very much. Having lost my mother as a child, I think I have a better vantage point than most. The pain of Lauren's passing must have been excruciating for both families. I wish them all the very best. We take it for granted, we'll see the same people again the next day. Suddenly the rug is pulled from beneath our feet, and our hearts are broken. RIP Lauren, I'll miss you more than you'll ever know. Conan Nado

October 15 at 9:17 AM

MF

Maria Martinez Finney posted:

Lauren..the lovely Lauren! I remember Miguel putting you over his shoulder and looking around and you had a great smile! You loved always for your caring and thoughtful ways and for giving me encouraging words when Harry was in the ICU! Your daughters will know what a wonderful, loving person you were during your time on Earth! Maria Martinez Finney

October 13 at 10:02 AM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Lauren by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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