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Jolene Marie Lawrence (Winkowski) passed away on January 14, 2026, at the young age of 58, after a courageous battle with glioblastoma (Brain Cancer).

Born on July 6, 1967, in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, Jolene brought warmth, joy, and love into the lives of everyone who knew her. On April 6, 1991, she married Rege Lawrence, and together they shared 34 years of marriage, building a life rooted in love, commitment, and complete devotion to their family.

She cherished her family, raising four beautiful children, and found pure joy in her role as Grammy to her three beloved grandchildren, eagerly awaiting the arrival of a fourth, treasuring every moment and creating memories that will last a lifetime.

Jolene dedicated her life to caring for others, earning her nursing degree at the University of Pittsburgh and later completing her Master's degree. She served as an ICU nurse at UPMC for 25 years before continuing her career there as a Clinical Care Manager, where she was admired for her strong work ethic, teamwork, and commitment.

She had a true zest for life and firmly believed in living for today. She loved traveling, going to concerts, planning get-togethers, and spending time with family and friends. She was often affectionately referred to as "Julie the Activities Director" a nickname that perfectly captured her energy, creativity, and love for bringing people together. She had a love for the beach, where she could relax and soak in life's simple joys. No matter what came her way, she took everything in stride with grace, humor, and resilience.

Jolene faced her illness with remarkable bravery and inspired those around her with her resilience and grit. Though her life was cut far too short, her memory will live on through the countless lives she touched; for to know her was to love her.



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Jolene was preceded in death by her mother, Judith Winkowski; her in-laws, Clement and Donna Lawrence; and her sister-in-law, Kim Carrick (Lawrence).

She is survived by her devoted husband, Rege Lawrence; her father, Elmer "Duke" Winkowski; her four children, Matthew (Jenna) Lawrence, Courtney (Tyler) Lawrence, Jordan (Logan) Lawrence, and Justin Lawrence; and her three cherished grandchildren, Isaac, Charlotte, and Isabella. She is also survived by her sister, Diane (Jon) Schlegel; her brother, Jason (Jen) Winkowski; her brothers-in-law, Todd (Patty) Lawrence, Scott (Sandy) Lawrence, and Dale Carrick; and 14 beloved nieces and nephews.

Visitation will be held on Monday, January 19, 2026 from 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm and 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm at the Jefferson Memorial Funeral Home, 301 Curry Hollow Road, Pittsburgh, 15236. A memorial service will take place on Tuesday, January 20 at 10:00 am in the funeral home's chapel.

Online condolences may be shared at <https://www.jeffersonmemorial.com>.



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Valerie Lynn posted:

Courtney & Family,I was so saddened to hear of your mother's passing. I have so many memories of spending time at your house back in high school, and your mother was always so warm and welcoming. Even though we lost touch, I never forgot her kindness. My heart is with you and your family right now.With Love, Valerie Merola & Family

January 30 at 12:39 PM



Pamela Brobst lit a candle in honor of Jolene.

My condolences the family, and your children and grandchildren. You were a great person , and gone way to soon

January 20 at 7:52 PM



Marie Nichols lit a candle in honor of Jolene.

Until we see you again my beautiful fun friend. You will live on in your family and friends all the people you have shared this journey with..Prayers and condolences to your family

January 20 at 12:30 PM



Christopher Lamperski posted:

It was always a joy working with Jolene. She carried her same positive attitude and cheerfulness through the challenges of her illness and with that, courage and fortitude as I have never witnessed.Dr. Christopher Lamperski

January 20 at 7:24 AM



Scott Sandy Allison Zach And Ben sent a Peaceful White Lilies Basket to the Lawrence family.

January 19 at 3:30 PM





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SA

Scott Sandy Allison Zach And Ben planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Jolene.



January 19 at 3:30 PM

PF

Prenatt Family sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Lawrence family.



January 19 at 12:47 PM

RM

Ryan Maher sent a Full Of Love Bouquet to the Lawrence family.



January 19 at 11:44 AM

TF

The Siwik Family sent an Enchanted Cottage to the Lawrence family.



January 19 at 9:21 AM

LS

Love Always, Bill And Peanut Snyder sent a Light Remains Tribute Blanket to the Lawrence family.



January 19 at 12:47 AM

TF

The Carrick Family sent a Peaceful White Lilies Basket to the Lawrence family.



January 18 at 6:23 PM



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Anonymous sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Lawrence family.

January 18 at 4:42 PM



From Cindy Krautz planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Jolene.

January 18 at 4:42 PM



Dawn Koett lit a candle in honor of Jolene.

Dawn Koett lit a candle in memory of Jolene Lawrence

January 18 at 1:43 PM



Sue & Alexis Garia And Family sent a Full Of Love Bouquet to the Lawrence family.

January 18 at 10:49 AM



Kristin And David Coleman sent a Full Of Love Bouquet to the Lawrence family.

January 18 at 9:20 AM



Bill, Ivy, Jen, Ted, Pops And Families sent a Gracious Lavender Basket to the Lawrence family.

January 17 at 8:24 AM





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Bill, Ivy, Jen, Ted, Pops And Families planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Jolene.

January 17 at 8:24 AM



Anonymous sent a Basket Full of Wishes to the Lawrence family.

January 16 at 7:10 PM



Lexi Horner And Family sent a Florist Choice Bouquet to the Lawrence family.

January 16 at 6:17 PM



Todd, Patty, Cait, Ty, Lexi And Chelsea sent a Lily and Rose Tribute Spray to the Lawrence family.

January 16 at 1:28 PM



Anonymous sent a Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet to the Lawrence family.

January 16 at 1:05 PM



Mike & Lori Frey planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Jolene.

January 16 at 1:05 PM





Memories only last if you share them

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



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