



Lauranelle Prins Thomas

September 25, 1955 - January 11, 2025

Lauranelle Prins Thomas "Laurie", born on September 25, 1955 passed peacefully surrounded by family on January 11, 2025.

Born to her parents Theunis and Frances Prins in Redlands California she was one of four which soon became five. Growing up with four brothers couldn't have been an easy task but it certainly helped mold her into the strong woman she grew to be.

Laurie excelled in school and later graduated from Fullerton with a Masters in Education. As she traveled the world her passion for children and sharing Jesus' love poured from her heart daily. Some of her adventures included clearing a plane in Ecuador so that medical supplies could be brought in for people less fortunate. Coordinated a race for hunger which raised money for struggling families. She also spent some time living in the barrio of LA opening her home to the children of the community educating, feeding, clothing and sharing Gods love. She continued her teaching career and ended up retiring in 2020.

Along the way she met her husband, Michael, and they had two beautiful children, Kelsie and Timothy. Anyone who knew Laurie knew that her kids were her pride and joy.

She touched the hearts of everyone she came into contact with and will be missed deeply by her children, Kelsie and Timothy. His wife and her grandsons Audrey, Jhett and Maxton. Her mother Frances and four brothers, Ron, Gary, Greg, Jeff, along with their wives and children and all other family and friends. We are at peace knowing she is celebrating eternal life with the Lord and with her father Theunis, husband Michael and all other loved ones who are no longer with us.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to "Soldiers' Angels" in memory of Laurie. This is one of the many organizations she donated to monthly that was close to her heart.

Memorial services will be held 10:00 AM Sunday, January 26th, 2025 at Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel, 127 E. Caldwell Ave., Visalia.

Services have been entrusted to Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel. Memorial Tributes and condolences may be offered by logging onto www.salseranddillard.com.

Previous Events

Memorial

JAN **26**. 10:00 AM (PT)

Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel
127 E. Caldwell Ave.
Visalia, CA 93277

Tribute Wall



“ *Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel created a Webcast in memory of Lauranelle Prins Thomas*



Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel - January 23, 2025 at 05:08 PM



“ *Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel created a Tribute Video in memory of Lauranelle Prins Thomas*



Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel - January 23, 2025 at 05:07 PM

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“ Laurie visited us often when she was young up to after she graduated from Calvin College. She had a great sense of humor. She took a marine biology course from me in the Florida Keys as well as visiting us at a biology station in Tenn where I often taught in the summers with the family. Our 4 kids were young and feel like they grew up with her. She was the flower girl in our wedding in Grand Rapids, Mi, wearing a precious outfit her mother made for her. She was a mission oriented, God fearing woman. We will miss her dearly.

Rudy and Billie prins....uncle and aunt.

Rudy Prins - January 18, 2025 at 12:17 AM