

Janeen Brink Thompson

July 9, 1963 ~ July 11, 2021

It's with heavy hearts that we announce the unexpected and sudden passing of Janeen Brink Thompson on Sunday, July 11, 2021 at the Intermountain Medical Center in Murray, Utah.

Janeen was born on July 9th, 1963 in Albuquerque New Mexico, to Lynelle Durham and Walter Brink. She was the first of six children and always loved and cared for her younger siblings.

Early in life, she discovered she had a talent for singing and developed a love of music. Choir became her favorite class in high school and she continued to share her beautiful soprano voice throughout her life. Her powerful yet warm voice was a stand out in any choir and she was invited to sing at many events both in and out of her church.

Janeen's bright eyes and beautiful smile were captivating and reflected her love of life. In 1987, she met her life-long companion, Rolf Thompson. They became inseparable. On December 3rd 1988, they were married in Orem, UT with their combined four children (each bringing two from prior marriages). They were blessed with two additional children who were sealed to them in the Mount Timpanogos Temple.

Together, their love for outdoor adventure was not diminished despite having a large family in tow. They could often be found hiking in the mountains, camping, rafting or boating. She was the master planner and outdoor chef on these outings. They were able to travel to many states and several other countries. On a trip to Korea, she met a boy named Gio. He was later invited to be a foreign exchange student in her home. Janeen quickly accepted and loved him as her own child. He is now family.

Her husband's missionary experiences in Korea piqued her interest in Korean culture. She would go to K-Pop concerts with her family whenever possible. She and her husband enjoyed watching K-Dramas together and this led to her love of Korean food. With the help of many Korean friends, she mastered Korean cuisine. Among her weekly family dinners on Sunday, these meals became a favorite.

As a career, Janeen found her niche in Training Software development. She worked for many companies including Microsoft, American Express, and Discover. She gained many close friends in the industry and will be greatly missed.

Janeen had many callings in her church, but the one dearest to her heart was working with the primary children. She had a special bond with children and they gravitated to her. Many of the primary children remember her as "Grandma Friendly". Janeen also loved the temple. She considered it a great blessing to have served in the Draper Temple with her husband. She looked forward to returning to the temple once re-opened.

Janeen cared deeply about those around her. She felt great joy in serving and ministering to others. Her testimony of the Savior Jesus Christ, His love, and His atoning sacrifice was the driving force of her life. She immersed herself in the scriptures each morning and she said it was the highlight of her day. Through her study of the scriptures, she

was able to bring the Gospel into every day conversations and draw others closer to Christ. Her voice now joins the heavenly choir.

Janeen is preceded in death by her mother Lynelle and step-father George and is survived by her husband Rolf; their children, Jeff, Andrew (Carrie), Jennie (Cordell), Karl (Callie), Spencer, and Lindsay (Braden); her father Walter (Debbie); her siblings, Joy (Dave), Jinger (Jeff), Julie (Pete), Marshall (Molly), and Jynelle; and her grandchildren, Austin, Madeline, Jonah, Theo, Sunny, Samuel, Elsie, Gabe, Nella, Pria, Ty, Zara...

Janeen’s family would like to thank the hospital staff at Intermountain Medical Center, Donor Connect, her friends, coworkers, and ward members for their support and service during this difficult time.

A viewing will be held from 6:00 to 8:00 pm on Wednesday, July 14th, 2021 at Larkin Sunset Gardens, 1950 East Dimple Dell Rd. (10600 South), Sandy, Utah 84092.

A celebration of Janeen’s life will be held at 11:00 am on Thursday, July 15th, 2021 at the Pinecrest Ward building, 2080 East Pinecrest Lane, Sandy, Utah 84092. A viewing prior to services will be from 10:00 to 10:40 am. To view previously held services please visit https://us02web.zoom.us/rec/share/8_T8Y4YzrpRlWLxMsJfV3GzlVKYOXwUpkTolEQWtfNZzmeomGKva5_I6yul25Sdk.Oz