



Patti Lyn Sullivan Ault

January 12, 1958 - November 20, 2020

Patti Lyn Sullivan Ault returned home to heaven on November 20, 2020 at the age of 62. Over the last twelve years she battled a rare cancer called spindle cell sarcoma. She is best remembered as a passionate person for her faith in and testimony of Jesus Christ, love for her family, her generosity and service, patriotism, delicious cooking, gardening, always being prepared, reading, learning, teaching, party planning, and her contagious laugh. Her motto was: "Love is in the details." She loved to serve and served with love.

Patti was born to John L Sullivan and Delenna Tui Meehan Sullivan in Murray, Utah on January 12, 1958. The youngest of nine children, she loved growing up on Avalon Drive in Murray. Her siblings and neighborhood friends would play all together late into the night, no matter their ages. Many afternoons were spent along Little Cottonwood Creek. She described her childhood as fun and loved her family and community.

In the winter of 1971, she and another girl were leaving Hillcrest Jr. High School in a snowstorm when an oncoming car struck Patti as she pushed the girl out of the way. Her pelvis was shattered and she was told she may never walk again and would never be able to have children. During the painful 2 year rehabilitation she learned to love books while lying in bed and reading with her mother. Her love of books and learning only continued to grow. Not only did she learn to walk again but later became head cheerleader, and eventually, and more importantly, a mother. She graduated from Murray High School in 1976 with honors, and attended BYU University to study English.

Patti served a faithful mission for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints from 1979-1980 in the Portland, Oregon Mission. She loved serving the Lord and would speak about it frequently as she shared her testimony of the gospel throughout her life. She was told she would meet her husband on her mission. She met Elder Chris Ault serving in Corvallis, Oregon who would later fulfill that promise. She always said the best things in her life came from serving her mission.

Chris Alan Ault always said she caught his eye from the start, and proclaimed when he

returned home he was going to marry that girl. After their mission he moved up to Salt Lake City from Snowflake, Arizona to date Patti. They fell in love and were sealed for time and all eternity in the Salt Lake Temple on November 12, 1981. They recently celebrated 39 years of a wonderful life together.

Patti lived the gospel diligently, a witness of Jesus Christ all her life. She was generous with her time and means, always willing to serve and bless. She was called to serve in many capacities in the church, including Young Women and Primary president and in the Relief Society. While she enjoyed all she was called to do, the Primary children had her heart. It brought her great joy to move up with them each year, as their teacher, throughout the primary program and into Sunday school. Patti and her sweetheart Chris loved serving as ordinance workers in the Jordan River Temple. Her knowledge, testimony and love for the savior increased as they served together for seven years. One thing she always wished she could have done was serve a full time mission with Chris after he retired. She was a missionary her entire life and served in thought, word and deed. Her service was appreciated and acknowledged by many.

She was the “Master Questioner” according to Chris. This is understood by all who knew her. When you had a conversation with her she wanted to know about you, she was a friend to everyone. She was completely interested in your life, no matter what was going on around you, and then would remember everything the next time you spoke. She would even specifically pray for the matters that concerned you. Prayer was one of Patti’s many spiritual gifts. We often joked that she had a direct line from heaven.

She was adventurous and loved to travel, visiting 49 of the 50 states. Missing only Alaska, she enjoyed seeing this beautiful country. Patti was raised by her mother who emigrated from New Zealand and was proud to be an American citizen. Highly influenced by her sweet mother, Patti developed a deep love of America.

Nothing Patti was involved in was ever done halfway. She had impeccable style and was the life of the party. She taught so many of us how to plan an event, host a party, and prepare a fabulous menu. Every holiday was celebrated with fun, food and decorations. Memorial Day was spent placing flowers on loved ones graves. Birthdays were always extra special. She claimed March 17th as St Patti’s Day and a huge celebration was held every year. July was always a favorite! Independence Day and Pioneer Day are treasured memories with parades, both watching and participating in them, big bbqs, fireworks and lots of patriotism. Christmas was always above and beyond with decorations and gifts, yet they were always about Christ and his birth and love for us. Over the years she has treated so many to memorable events.

Patti would say, "Family is everything." She and Chris had two children, Jessica Lyn and Christopher Jordan. After raising them in West Jordan and Riverton, their family grew and so did their hearts. Jessica married Bryan William McCall and blessed them with their precious grandchildren, Christopher (Topher) Bryan McCall and William (Liam) John McCall. Jordan following in his mother's footsteps, met Katie Lynn Van Der Meulen while serving his mission, and were later married, but no children...yet (no pressure, Jordan and Katie)! Patti has left a great legacy of love and faith and will be greatly missed!

She is survived by her dear husband, Chris, two wonderful children and their spouses, two beloved grandchildren, five of her siblings: Katherine Lucy Casper, John Dennis Sullivan, Lawrence Jay Sullivan (Monika), Peggy Alice Rowland (Jeff), Debbie Jean Michaelis (Kevin), and many other family members who love her. She was welcomed home to heaven by her mother and father, sisters Nancy Lee Densley (Merlynn), Terri Elizabeth Potts, and Judy Ann Johnson (Ron), Aunt Lola Ethel Meehan, Uncle Bernard William Meehan (Virginia Gillespie), grandparents, and many others. We know there is a great reunion going on complete with Patti potatoes!

The family expresses gratitude to her Oncologist Dr. Tawnya Bowles and the staff at IHC for giving her wonderful care and allowing her a few more years to enjoy her life. To her family and friends who have shown her love and friendship throughout her life, especially the last few weeks. She has enjoyed many kind acts of service and love. It was a beautiful outpouring of love for her and she felt it and the spirit so strongly. A special thank you for her angel caregiver, and sister-in-law, Debra Ault Hale, for her healing hands that soothed and comforted her to the end.

A graveside service will be held Tuesday, November 24, 2020 at 11:00am at the Riverton City Cemetery, 1540 W 13200 S Riverton, Utah. A short, outside service will be held as we lay our dear wife, mother, grandma, sister, aunt and friend to rest. A recording of the service will be shared on the family's social media later. Thank you to Serenity Funeral Home of Draper for their care. For those asking about memorial and medical contributions, donations may be sent to Mountain America Credit Union under Chris Ault Flooring LLC or Venmo @ChrisAult12.

Events

NOV **Graveside Service** 11:00AM
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Riverton City Cemetery
1500 West 13200 South, Riverton, UT, US

Comments



“ I remember talking on the phone to Patti, I was going through a difficult time in my life and she offered to pray for me, she apparently was also praying for several other people and said her knees would be worn away! I'll never forget her kindness to me, a total stranger from England, she exuded love and earth and compassion. I could have talked to her forever, she sounded so wonderful, she'll obviously leave a gaping hole behind her, I'm heartbroken for Chris and Jessica and the rest of her family, but thankful for the plan of salvation that assured us that this is not the end, just the end of this bit of mortality. God bless the whole family in dealing with this very sad loss.

Julie Sinar - November 24, 2020 at 01:15 PM