



## Lisa Kovalenko Phan

August 31, 1962 - September 18, 2016

Lisa Kovalenko Phan

31 August 1962–18 September 2016

Lisa was born in Provo, Utah, to Virgil N. Kovalenko and Lela J. Musick. Lisa knew what it was to move: in the first twenty-one years of life she inhabited twenty-two dwellings. She made her Salt Lake City house sacred and beautiful, for in it she finally found rest. Last Sunday became her ultimate day of rest as she relocated to her permanent home.

Lisa was an old soul, always talking with people and not to them. Her attention, interest, and concern were genuine and intuitive. Children, animals, and even very broken people claimed safe harbor with her. She was a creator and a beautifier, a lover of music, and a wise counselor. Of all the things she fostered and held dear, her grandchildren were at the top. She was a ministering angel before cancer took her.

Lisa was preceded in death by her brother, David. She is survived by parents Virgil and Lela; her siblings Nicholas, Michael, and Kanya; her husband Dennis; her son Anthony; her daughter Carolyn and family, Kevin Gunnuscio with their children Kathleen and Connor; her daughter Grace and family, Jonathan Kackstaetter with their children Emma, Lauren, and Joshua; and her son Jonathan.

Lisa's viewing will be Friday, Sept. 23rd, from 6-9pm, and Saturday, Sept. 24th, from 9-9:40am. Her funeral will start at 10am sharp. All services will be in the Brookshire Ward building, located 3487 South 1300 East in Salt Lake

City. Interment will follow the funeral at Wasatch Lawn. In lieu of flowers, donations to Community Nursing Services of Utah [[www.cns-cares.org](http://www.cns-cares.org)] are appreciated.

# Cemetery Details

## Wasatch Lawn Memorial Park

3401 S Highland Drive  
Salt Lake City, UT 84106

# Previous Events

## Viewing

SEP **23.** 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM (MT)

Brookshire LDS Church SLC  
3487 South 1300 East  
Salt Lake City, UT

## Viewing #2

SEP **24.** 9:00 AM - 9:40 AM (MT)

Brookshire LDS Church SLC  
3487 South 1300 East  
Salt Lake City, UT

## Funeral Service

SEP **24.** 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (MT)

Brookshire LDS Church SLC  
3487 South 1300 East  
Salt Lake City, UT



# Tribute Wall



“ *Lisa Kovalenko Phan*

October 05, 2023 at 07:49 PM



“ *Our family is keeping your family in our thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. May you be comforted by the outpouring of love surrounding you. With our deepest sympathy . Bill Voyzey Jr., Lisa, Kaitlynn and Olivia*

**Bill Voyzey** - September 22, 2016 at 08:52 PM



“ *Dennis, I wanted to express my condolences to you and your family over the loss of your wife. We were all saddened to learn of her passing today. You all will be in my prayers as you go through these difficult times.*

**Glen Sellers** - September 21, 2016 at 06:17 PM



“ *Lisa and her family moved into our neighborhood and ward when I was in elementary school. I knew Nicholas the best, because he was my age, but I remember Lisa with fondness. She was always kind and thoughtful. I was very sad to see her obituary in the paper and read of her passing. I'm sure she has been a wonderful wife, mother, grandmother, neighbor and friend. Best wishes to all who all who have been close to her and will miss her presence.*

**Tina Van Orden Shaw** - September 21, 2016 at 12:14 PM

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*Name should read Van Orden*

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**Tina Van Orden Shaw** - September 21, 2016 at 12:15 PM

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*My friend, Lisa, is so genuine. Her love and caring reach deeper than usual. Her thoughts are so lofty but also practical. She made me feel important and always welcome. I am so grateful for who she is. I am a better person because I know Lisa. I am also a better person because I know her family. They have all blessed my life. Thanks for being who you are and making this world a better place. You are in our thoughts and prayers. Love to you all, Fran Yates*

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**Fran Yates** - September 22, 2016 at 11:15 PM

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“ *To know grace and compassion in life was to know Lisa. My deepest sympathy to Dennis and his family. You are all in my thoughts and prayers.*

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**Bill Phan** - September 21, 2016 at 11:25 AM

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“ *I am saddened by the passing of Lisa and my prayers and heart go out to you her family. Lisa was a wonderful lady. I enjoyed very much getting to know her and work with her while our children were at Millcreek Elementary together. I have always admired her and every time I have driven by her house thought about her and wished that I could visit with her. May you, her family, be comforted and enjoy the blessing of having been part of a great lady's life.*

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**Vona Williams** - September 21, 2016 at 09:47 AM