



## Jennifer Leigh Nigro

July 25, 1985 - November 2, 2014

Jennifer Leigh Richardson Nigro July 25th, 1985-November 2, 2014 Jennifer passed away peacefully at home on Sunday evening, November 2, surrounded by her family and close friends. They lovingly sang over her as she entered the gates of Heaven. She fought a courageous battle against pancreatic cancer for the past 3 years to the day, teaching all who knew her what strength looks like. Jennifer was born in Redmond, WA and moved to Vancouver, WA in 1988 with her family where she resided until her death. She was homeschooled up until 7th grade and then attended River Homelink in Camas until she graduated in 2004. She married David Nigro in 2004 and they began their family. She was a devoted wife and mother to her two children, Nevaeha, 9 and Dayton, 6. She was the loving daughter of Clayton and Julie Richardson and sister to siblings, Lyon 31, Jessica 22 and Joyel 20. She married into a large family and was the daughter, given by God, to Nick and Lori Nigro, the daughter-in-law to Todd and Connie Ewart and was very close to her spiritual parents, Kirk and Dardi Schiermeister. From the these families, she had a brother, Casey 33, sisters Autumn, 31 and Tess, 22 as well as many cousins. Her love for God was deep and abiding. Everyone she met quickly knew how much Jesus meant to her and her desire that they know Him, too. Her love for people was evident even as a small child. She has always kept in contact with her childhood friends, Vanessa Blevins, Kendall Barela, Michelle Double, Tiffany Resendiz, Dione Jones and Ben Brite who were all here the last few weeks of her life. If you asked her many friends,

they would tell you that Jennifer was a true friend who was always there for them. She never backed down from a challenge and could fix anything! She had a beautiful singing voice and loved to worship God. As a child through her teen years, she attended Cascade Community Church, as an adult she attended Faith Center and more recently, Mars Hill in Portland, where she was very close to her community group members that were also with her in her last days. When Jennifer was diagnosed on November 3, 2011 with neuroendocrine pancreatic cancer she faced it head on, always putting her trust in God to heal her. Family and friends rallied around to support her, especially Nick and Lori, who took care of her at home the last year of her life. Even though Jennifer was suffering and in pain most of the time of her illness, she was always doing for others above herself. This quality is remarkable in the face of a terminal illness. Her faith in Jesus kept her strong and she shared Him with everyone she met. Jennifer, we ALL love you and will miss you greatly. We commit to making sure your children are well loved and will remember you all the days of their lives. Until we meet again.... love you!

# Tribute Wall



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Evergreen Memorial Gardens - July 03, 2025 at 08:49 PM

JR

“ Sweetheart, I am so proud of you. I am so thankful God chose me to be your mum. You have been my hero these past 10 years I saw you hold your family together with a tenacious love and steadfast trust in His goodness. Thank you for teaching me to carry on in the face of great suffering. I miss you so much. I look forward to hugging you again. Love, Mom reunite in God's timing. When

Julie Richardson - November 11, 2014 at 12:00 AM

KF

“ Julie, Clay and family, Wish we could have been with you yesterday at the service. Thinking of you with love...

Karol Scheiner and family - November 10, 2014 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ I am so very sorry for the suffering and the death of Jennifer of cancer. It is so hard to watch. Reading about her though it was a tribute to what a wonderful and godly person she was. Much prayer sent to the family.. especially her children. David and Autumn.. I remember you well as grade school students. My thoughts are with you all.

Sindy Sands - November 10, 2014 at 12:00 AM

BB

“ Your passion and love for Jesus was so inspiring from the times I talked to you. I know there are many friends and family who miss you on this earth but I can only imagine what it's like for you to be worshipping Jesus face to face in Heaven. I am so happy that you are free from all pain and sickness.

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**Britney Bowlby** - November 09, 2014 at 12:00 AM

CC

“ You and Kyle are praising God together...Kyle on his golden guitar and you singing...and Kyle probably adding some harmony. How awesome that must be... I will always love you! See you soon!

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**Conny Cooke** - November 09, 2014 at 12:00 AM

TW

“ Your strength in the face adversity was admirable, your faith so very evident. I pray your family through their loss as you dance on streets of gold, fully healed. The Wilks Family

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**Tamie Wilks** - November 08, 2014 at 12:00 AM

CL

“ I've been reminded this week of the old song: "It will be worth it all When we see Jesus! Life's trials will seem so small When we see Christ. One glimpse of His dear Face, All sorrows will erase. So bravely run the race, 'til we see Christ!" Continuing in prayer for the Richardson and Nigro families.

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**Carney Layne** - November 08, 2014 at 12:00 AM

MH

“ I'm so thankful to have been graced by the joy and light of her spirit. The chapter of life we shared is filled with memories of laughter, meaningful conversation and adventure! Her spirit lives strong in her beautiful children and will never be forgotten. â™;â™;â™;”

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**Michael Heckinger** - November 08, 2014 at 12:00 AM

PH

“ To all of Jennifer's friends and family our thoughts are with you. We know Jennifer is with her Beloved Father, the ones left behind have so many wonderful memories of her and those will have to do until we meet her again in Heaven. Prudi and Bob Harrison

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**Prudi Harrison** - November 08, 2014 at 12:00 AM

LB

“ I came to visit my family from Florida and attended Mars Hill Portland. I would watch Jennifer come in with her children and sit on the front row in pain most times. She prayed and believed she would be healed but her healing came when the Lord took her to heaven. She was such a strong lady. My thoughts and prayers are with all her family, friends, and dear children. Linda Brackett  
Michelle Adams mother

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**Linda Brackett** - November 08, 2014 at 12:00 AM

ML

“ Julia, Clay and families our prayers are with you all. Love you!

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**Margo & BG Lemmon** - November 07, 2014 at 12:00 AM

LY

“ I am so very sad for Jennifer's family during this very difficult time. My prayers and thoughts are with you.

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**Linda Yosso** - November 07, 2014 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ I'll never forget you Jen. Your faith, voice, dedication to your family, smile, beauty, and joy. I look forward to the day we meet again!!!

Stephanie Soemo - November 07, 2014 at 12:00 AM

HG

“ I so admired your positive attitude, perseverance and strength. I wish there had been time to know you better. You always had a smile on your face and like Linda Loo it lit up the room. I find comfort knowing you both are together now. I pray for you and your children. Rest in peace sweet girl.

Hokulani Grimm - November 07, 2014 at 12:00 AM

LB

“ i only knew Jennifer briefly as a little girl who was a big helper at her younger siblings birthings. As midwife to Clay and Julies youngest 2 children I remember her taking part in such a sweet way. My thoughts are with you all every day.

Linda Barton - November 07, 2014 at 12:00 AM

SG

“ She is now fully healed on heaven dancing and rejoicing.

Sue green - November 07, 2014 at 12:00 AM

TL

“ She has a beautiful soul, rest in peace Jen.

Teryl Laidlaw - November 07, 2014 at 12:00 AM

MD

“ Praying for comfort and strength for the entire family.

Mary Kennedy Draper - November 07, 2014 at 12:00 AM

LR

“ My Sister completed her part of the mission...it's our turn now.

Lyon Richardson - November 07, 2014 at 12:00 AM

DF

“ My heart goes out to all involved with Jennifer's life. My thoughts and prayers are with the whole family unit which is huge! Julie and Clay I cannot express enough how Much I appreciate all you have done to keep Vanessa informed so she could be there for her Best Friend who was more a sister than a friend to her! Dan and I send our Love to your whole family!

Diane Force - November 07, 2014 at 12:00 AM

CS

“ My friend will be deeply missed but my thoughts are more and more going towards how sweet our reunion will be in heaven. God has used her to sharpen me in many ways. On a lighter note, I'm reminded of her daily. Every morning when I get dressed I remember, "oh, Jen gave me this." I think over half of my wardrobe was given to me by Jen. She knew how I hardly ever buy clothes and I always appreciated her style.

christy schmidt - November 07, 2014 at 12:00 AM

PE

“ You have the ability to light up a room...now Heaven, is a little brighter <3

Paula Elliott - November 07, 2014 at 12:00 AM

AB

“ *What a wonderful family Jennifer has. Each of you blessed her along her path. It has been a privilege to pray for her and for you through this season. May God give grace. I love the image you have shared of her dancing with Jesus. May your joy be full, once again.*

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**April Boneski** - November 07, 2014 at 12:00 AM

DF

“ *What a beautiful tribute to a beautiful young woman. You are all in my continuing prayers.*

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**Deb Flory** - November 07, 2014 at 12:00 AM

VM

“ *We never got to meet Jennifer but have kept up with FB posts regarding her. She was a very, beautiful woman inside and out. We know that her children will be cared for and raised to know the Lord in the way that Jennifer has known Him by their father, grandparents and other family members & friends. God bless this family as they reach out for His peace & comfort.*

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**VERN & SYLVIA MARCHAND** - November 07, 2014 at 12:00 AM