



Debra Deshur

May 19, 1956 - April 23, 2016

Deshur, Debra

(Nee Mitz) passed away at home on April 23, 2016, after a courageous battle with cancer. She was born in Milwaukee, Wisconsin to Charlotte and Meyer Mitz on May 19, 1956.

Debra graduated from Nicolet High School, and went on to obtain a degree in architecture from Arizona State University. She worked as an architect in Los Angeles, California for several years before starting her own firm. She specialized in commercial and historical architecture.

Debra married William Deshur in 1990 and returned to Milwaukee. In 1994 she was blessed with a daughter Alexandra. Ali's special needs focused Debra's energies for her remaining years. Debra used her considerable visual and creative skills to develop communication devices, books, and computer programs to aid Ali throughout her life. Although self-taught, Debra became accomplished at communication and augmented speech. She counseled many of the families of the Phelan-McDermid Syndrome, always ready to listen, advise and support.

Debra was known for her visual and design artistry, her love of all things beautiful, and her compassion and love of family. She will be sorely missed by all who knew and loved her.

Debra was preceded in death by her mother Charlotte and is survived by her husband William, her daughter Alexandra, her father Meyer Mitz and her sister Jodie Mitz, as well as many nieces, nephews and cousins.

Funeral services 1:00 PM Wednesday, April 27, 2016 at Congregation Shalom, 7630 N. Santa Monica Blvd., Fox Point. Interment Second Home Cemetery, 3705 S. 43 St., Milwaukee.

The family would like to thank the doctors, nurses, and staff at Aurora St. Luke's, for their kind and compassionate care. In lieu of flowers please donate, in Debra's name, to Best Buddies of Wisconsin, 10425 West North Avenue, Wauwatosa, Wisconsin 53226.

Wednesday only following burial, the family will receive friends at the Deshur residence, 7900 N. Beach Drive, Fox Point.

Cemetery Details

Second Home Cemetery

3705 S. 43 St.
Milwaukee, WI 53220

Previous Events

Service

APR 27. 1:00 PM (CT)

Congregation Shalom
7630 N Santa Monica Blvd
Fox Point, WI 53217

Shiva

APR 27 (CT)

Deshur Residence
7900 N Beach Drive
Fox Point, WI 53217

Tribute Wall



“ *Debra Deshur*

October 06, 2023 at 01:40 PM



“ *Please accept my family's heartfelt condolences on the loss of your dear loved one. May you find comfort in fond memories, and The Almighty God's promise in the Bible, to restore those asleep in death to perfect life on a paradise Earth.*

Greene Family - May 13, 2016 at 01:07 PM



“ *"and choirs of angels will sing her to her rest". Wm. Shakespeare*

It is hard to know why things happen the way they do. I wish I had some magic words that would make the hurt go away.

I never see a yellow rose without thinking of Debra. On my sixtieth birthday she sent a big bouquet to me at the office - I still have the florist vase they came in.

I don't know Debra's religious beliefs - but whoever is in charge has welcomed Debra with a big smile and a big hug. I offer to you my wishes for peace and my sincerest sympathy.

Betty Blank.

Betty Blank - April 26, 2016 at 01:11 PM