



Deborah Kay Johnson

January 12, 2021

Deborah Kay Johnson, wife, mother and grandmother sadly passed away on January 12, 2021. She was with her husband of 36 years, Chris Johnson, at their home in Sarasota, Florida. Debbie was 63 years young, born on April 23, 1957 in Mobile, Alabama to parents Joyce Ann and James Seaman, both deceased. Debbie grew up with one brother and 3 sisters. She married Chris Johnson on June 2, 1984. She leaves behind a daughter and grandson, Adrian Farnon and Eoghan, who live in Atlanta, and a son Brian Johnson who lives in Sarasota. She was very close to her brother and sister-in-law, Steve and Gail Johnson and their daughters, Megan and Jennifer.

Many of you may know Debbie as SP (Smarty Pants). She didn't want to be called Grandma, (so that's what her grandson called her and it stuck!) SP never stopped. She was on the go every chance she got. Most of her time was spent with family and friends, probably having a cocktail while strolling the beach looking for seashells. If she wasn't on the beach, she was doing 5k walks with her friends, throwing dinner parties, driving to the market in her convertible on Saturday mornings, or just lounging by the pool. She made a career in the insurance field which she enjoyed until the day she got sick. She touched so many lives during her time here, and she will be missed more than you know.

Debbie was a big part of a fun group of friends whose goal was to visit a

different beach every month. She joined the Beach of the Month on their second beach outing and has been active with this group since that day in 2014. Debbie introduced the group to several beaches that aren't even on the map!

As many of you know, Debbie was diagnosed with brain cancer in May of 2018 and fought that battle until the very day she died. Moffitt Cancer Center played a very important role in that battle and we believe they truly prolonged Debbie's life.

Due to the unfortunate pandemic our world is facing, we will not be able to hold a memorial at this time. However, we will do a celebration of life in the next couple of months. We ask that any donations go to Moffitt in honor of Debbie. You can donate at the following link...[moffitt.org/give](https://www.moffitt.org/give).

Tribute Wall

DG

“ *She was a neighbor of mine and a friend and an insurance agent she will be so missed*

deborah graber - January 19, 2021 at 01:09 PM

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“  *Our Debbie...*

Loving

Tough

Kind

Pragmatic

Spontaneous

Funny

Caring

Fun loving

Direct

Bright

Beautiful

Sweet

Serious

Sensitive

Confident

Good Listener

Trouble shooter

Problem solver

Cheerleader

Butt kicker

And the Very Best friend one could wish for.

She was our angel on earth. Her spirit will live through the happiness she blessed us with & the lessons she taught us through the way she lived life.

We'll miss you & your brightness forever & always. 

Roxy - January 18, 2021 at 06:04 PM

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“ I was heartbroken when I heard of Debbie's passing, but also knew that who she was for the last couple of years was not the true and real Debbie that we all knew and loved. She was high energy, always had a smile on her face, very welcoming to make new friends, and definitely the Bunco Queen. She was the best hostess I have ever known. To her family and friends that she leaves behind, she would want a celebration of her blessed life not a mourning of her passing. She is now with her Creator in a peaceful and blissful place, where she can watch her beloved grandson grow up. RIP Debbie. Your earthly presence will be missed.



Rose McCormick - January 16, 2021 at 11:14 AM



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Kim Rice
an hour ago
Debbie and I became tight friends in an unconventional way. She was “assigned” to our office for group health insurance coverage. After many before her had failed because we are a small group, her determination and persistence made me think “I REALLY admire this gals work ethic”. I soon learned there was much more than that to love about her. Her spirit, fun loving nature and sense of adventure made me enjoy every moment we had together. Most times were spent at the beach or enjoying a Chardonnay in the pool. Anyone who was lucky enough to meet this awesome woman was truly blessed. I'll miss you my friend and will hook up with you next on the beautiful beaches in heaven.

Kim Rice - January 15, 2021 at 01:42 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Deborah Kay Johnson.



January 14, 2021 at 09:03 PM



“ Kathleen Farnon lit a candle in memory of Deborah Kay Johnson



Kathleen Farnon - January 13, 2021 at 09:32 PM



When I think of Debbie , I instantly see her smile.
Rest easy.

Kathleen Farnon - January 13, 2021 at 09:38 PM



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Kim Rice - January 15, 2021 at 12:36 PM