



Maureen Long

September 20, 2023

Maureen Long, 71, passed away unexpectedly on September 20. She is survived by her loving husband, Christopher, and children, Elizabeth (James) Lange and Matt (Rachel) Long. Maureen had five grandchildren, Julia and Kristen Lange, and Brooke, Paige and Colton Long, who she loved dearly and spent lots of time traveling between Milwaukee and Dallas to visit with them.

Maureen was born and raised in Brooklyn, New York. She went to school at NYU where she studied teaching. Upon graduating, she decided instead to pursue a career on Wall Street in Human Resources, where she worked until Elizabeth was born. Maureen met Chris one night at a nightclub when she was out with a girlfriend. Chris knew that night that Maureen would be the girl he would marry and they wed on January 2, 1978.

Chris' career took them and their children from Long Island, NY, to Springfield, IL, finally settling down in St Louis, MO, where they lived for almost 30 years until retirement brought them to Longboat Key, Florida, in 2018. They had traveled down to Longboat Key since the early 1990's, which was a very special place for them. They really enjoyed life on the beach and would frequently toast the sunset with martinis. Maureen was the family's glue keeping everything running smoothly in day to day life. When Elizabeth and Matt were older she worked part-time at a preschool where she loved working with the little kids. The part-time schedule gave her lots of time to travel, which

gave her great excitement. She especially loved cruising. Many of their travels came with experiences that pushed Maureen out of her comfort zone—from zip lining in Costa Rica to a helmet dive in the Caribbean and a hot air balloon ride in the open sky.

Maureen had such a vivacious personality, was a great listener and always smiling. She had a great excitement for life and her family. Maureen knew how to bring joy and comfort to everyone she met. She will be greatly missed by family and friends all over the country. A memorial service is being planned for the weekend of November 11-12 in St Louis, MO, to celebrate Maureen's life. Please contact Elizabeth at jelange24@gmail.com for details. In lieu of flowers, please send donations to The Circus Arts Conservatory of Sarasota (www.circusarts.org) and remember to cheers and celebrate life everyday like Maureen did.

Tribute Wall

SG

“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



Sally Gilmore - October 26, 2023 at 12:13 AM

SG

“ We are heartbroken! We were lucky to spend some time with Maureen & Chris when they just visited St. Louis . We had so many great times and will miss her dearly!

Sally Gilmore - October 26, 2023 at 12:09 AM

BP

“ 3 files added to the album Maureen and Barbara



Barbara Patrick - October 05, 2023 at 12:00 PM

BS

“ Chris. I'm so sorry for your loss. Maureen and you have always been very kind to me. Maureen always had a beautiful smile and made me feel so accepted. I Pray to God to give you Peace, Comfort and Cherished memories. God Bless you, Friend. ❤️ Bruce Smith

Bruce Smith - October 05, 2023 at 07:35 AM

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“ Dearest Family of Maureen,
I met Maureen & Chris at Bishop's Post restaurant in 2017.
Maureen was on the dance floor, & I started dancing & talking to her. It was an immediate connection as I went to sit down & talk to she & her husband, Chris.
I was so taken with their warmth & zest for life! I could not wait to introduce them to my dearest friends, Judy & Cathy. It was destiny!
It was an immediate connection for Judy & Cathy meeting Maureen & Chris as it was for me!
Thus, began a beautiful friendship of love & joy as we shared many memories. We felt like God put us all together. They became our other family & us theirs.
I want all of you to know how deeply sad we all are for your loss. The loss of your wife, your mom, your Grandma Reen, of your sister, of your sister in law, of your friend.
Maureen was a beautiful lady who lit up a room with her presence & made everyone feel special to be her friend.
May the many special memories of your loved one help ease your sadness at this time.
In love,
Terry Hudson

Terry Hudson - October 04, 2023 at 09:08 PM