

In Memory of Debra Grodner

Yun-A Lisa Johnson
January 30, 2020



Name: Debra Grodner

Spouse: Bruce Grodner

Children: Preston Alexander

Birth Date: November 6, 1952

Blessing: July 1, 1982

Ascension Date: January 26, 2020

Debra VanderMeer was born in Muskegon, Michigan on November 6, 1952. At the age of 9 with her younger brother, Gary, the family moved to La Habra, California following their pastor's new position as the assistant to the late Robert Shueler Sr. She attended Fullerton Jr. College, as well as school for dental hygienist. She continued to pursue various careers as she intuitively searched for deeper meaning and purpose.

In November 1973, she was introduced to the Unification Church, where she had the opportunity to get to know True Father and Mother Moon

personally. Within the church, she worked in sales selling varied artistic pieces, facilitated educational workshops and even pioneered Alaska opening the minds and hearts to the church.

Debby was Blessed by True Parents to her wonderful husband, Bruce Grodner, on July 1, 1982 in the Holy Marriage Blessing at Madison Square Garden. Bruce was appointed as District Pastor of the Family Federation of New York, where Debby was able to serve as First Lady. After 20 years of marriage, they were gifted with a beautiful child they named Preston Alexander.

As Director of Camp Sunrise in Harriman State Park, NY for 15 years, Debby had the privilege of hosting thousands of children and families from 2000 – 2015. Her love of nature and people made a perfect combination to permit the diverse experiences had at the camp, both exceptional and memorable.

Being challenged by health issues for several years, Debby was finally able to welcome good health under the care and support of Dr. Tony and Karen Sayegh. For the last five years, she has worked at their Thrive Health and Wellness Center in White Plains, NY, as Assistant and patient concierge, where she witnessed the remarkable recovery of so many people.

Debby, a great cook, accomplished artist, having an aptitude for music...was also a most talented and accomplished writer. After many dedicated years to this task, she completed seven volumes of her book, "Jules of Andelain."

Debby, a person who was filled with only selfless thoughts...who loved her family and was so proud of the many accomplishments of her son...lived and loved life to its fullest.

"People will forget what you said, people will forget what you did, but people will never forget how you, Debby, made us feel."

Viewing: Friday, February 7, 2020 from 4:00-8:00 PM at the Edwards-Dowdle Funeral Home (64 Ashford Avenue Dobbs Ferry, NY 10522)

Seonghwa Ceremony and Wonjeon Ceremony: Saturday, February 8, 2020 from 8:00-9:00 AM to 11:00 AM at the Sleepy Hollow Cemetery (430 N Broadway Sleepy Hollow, NY 10591)

Followed by a reception from 12:30-3:30 PM at the Belvedere Training Center

Flowers can be sent to the Edwards-Dowdle Funeral Home.

Donations

The local church has set up a [GoFundMe page](#) for the Grodner family where you can donate financially to help with the various expenses in preparing for a Seonghwa Ceremony.

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