In Memory of Laurie Shoultz (1965 - 2018)

Crescentia DeGoede May 30, 2018



Name: Laurie Shoultz

Spouse: Andrew Shoultz

Children: Johanna, Olivia, Andrew

Birth Date: May 5, 1965

Blessing Date: January 12, 1989

Ascension Date: May 22, 2018

Born on May 5, 1965 in San Diego CA, Laurie Kimberly Shoultz is the last child of 9 children. She had 4 brothers and 4 sisters.

By the age of 14 years old, Laurie learned the Divine Principle from her sister Jeri Wade Tamayo, but she wasn't ready to commit to the Unification movement at the time.

Laurie took her GED and finished Job Corp, then worked as an office manager for a cleaning company and as a deck hand for a charter fishing

company in Washington. She and her brother Rob shared an apartment and even went to work together for a time. These are fond memories she told many times.

Laurie has said that one of her life-changing moments was when a hurricane in her town left just one boat untouched. It was the boat that she slept on during the hurricane. Laurie also survived a ruptured appendix at the age of 14.

She inherited her love for Jesus from her mother, which led her on the path to Divine Principle and True Parents. By the 1980's, Laurie was fundraising, assisting in child care, and visiting ministers with her central figures, following her missions from Wyoming to New York.

In 1989, she went to the matching and blessing in South Korea where she was introduced to and blessed to her husband Andrew.

Together, they had three loving children, Johanna, Olivia and Andrew. The family first resided in Iowa, then moved to Reno where they raised their family until 2004-5. There, they created the Blessed Teens Academy.

Laurie carried this experience with her to help Generation Peace Academy as module organizers and caregivers. Later, Laurie and her family moved to Philadelphia to refurbish the church building and grow the Unification Church ministry. In 2014, Laurie and Andrew moved to the Bay Area to live and work with the Hearst house students as dorm caregivers.

Her family of five can testify to her wisdom and openness to learning from experience and from others knowledge. Her heart was always to help build a solid community of faith for Heavenly Parent and True Parents.

At her Seonghwa, what Laurie wants more than anything is for those gathered to enjoy themselves, while sharing their mutual affection for her and laughing about her ways, her methods of bringing joy and comfort.

Seonghwa Ceremony

Time: 2:30 PM

Date: Saturday, June 2

Location: Bay Area Family Church: 2305 Washington Ave, San Leandro, CA 94577