



# Kirsten Morlock

August 17, 1965 - November 29, 2021

## Kirsten's obituary

Kirsten Morlock, 56, passed into eternity on November 29, 2021 in Memphis TN. She was born in Sioux City, Iowa on August 17, 1965 to Muriel (Smith) and Alan J. Stone. She was an only child. After graduating from Aurora West High School, Aurora IL in 1983, she graduated from Millikin University, Decatur IL, 1987 with a major in Biology and minor in Business. She was a member of the Alpha Chi Omega Sorority. Later she graduated with her MBA from Aurora University in Aurora IL, 1992. In 1990, she married Walter Morlock and two daughters, Callista and Payton, were born to this union. They later divorced.

Kirsten had a very successful career in environmental health, employed in Lake County, IL, Orange County, CA and Los Angeles CA. When moving to Arizona, Kirsten created her company Morlock Environmental which was a consulting and testing company for businesses which had water, food and soil concerns. She maintained the national and state certifications in her profession. In addition, she discovered another extremely compelling endeavor which was substituting in the public schools of Mesa, Gilbert and Chandler AZ. She took sub positions, short and long term, primarily in biology classes. Taking courses to achieve state certification, she was hoping to be able to take a full-time position in science. Her experiences in the classroom were very satisfying for her and she received much encouragement to continue.

Besides her daughters, Kirsten is survived by her mother Muriel Stone, uncles Kevan Smith, Ronald Stone, Hugh Stone and Roger Stone; cousins Sherry Scherden, Alissa Smith, Jared Smith, Justin Smith, Catie Smith, Randy Stone, Patricia Stone, Adam Stone, Melissa Stone, Kristen Stone, Ryan Stone, Jeff Stone, and Betsy Stone, step-siblings Susan Wilson, Kjersti Johnson and John Johnson; her step-father Erle Johnson and step-mother Jonieta Stone. Kirsten is preceded in death by her father, Alan Stone, her grandparents Tommy and Blythe Smith and Hubert and Bernice Stone, aunt Maureen Morgan, uncle Lowell Smith and step-father David Wilson.

Kirsten was known for remembering family birthdays and acknowledging them with cards. She had a warm, fun sense of humor and was loyal to her friends. Christmas was her season. Thoughtfully buying gifts for each person, she had a talent for beautifully wrapping them. Silent Night was her favorite carol.

A memorial service at the Spirit of Grace Lutheran Church in Surprise AZ date was held December 29, 2021. In summer there will an internment of cremains in Humboldt IA at Union Cemetery. While we deeply miss her, the family is relieved that she will no longer be suffering.

Donations may be sent to the American Diabetes Association or the American Cancer Association.