



Jessica M. Bona

June 11, 1975 - September 7, 2022

Jessica M Bona, 47, of Pittsfield, MA passed away following an extended illness on September 7, 2022. A 1993 graduate of Pittsfield High School, Jessica went on to further her education at Adelphi University. While at Adelphi, Jessica honed her skills as a gifted performing artist, graduating magna cum laude and eventually returning to the Berkshires to pursue careers in development at Shakespeare & Company and the Berkshire Museum.

A lover of the environment, Jess co-founded a green housekeeping business which served several local homes and businesses and provided her the flexibility to raise her daughter, Shelby.

Animal welfare was always top of mind for Jess. Aside from rescuing her beloved pit bull mixes, Tiger and Henry, she served as shelter manager for Eleanor Sonsini Animal Shelter and briefly worked alongside Leea Foran of Foranimals, LLC training dogs.

An avid outdoorswoman, Jess could frequently be found hiking the Cheshire Cobbles and Monument Mountain.

Jess leaves behind her daughter, Shelby Bona, her fiancé, Frank Gomes, parents Kevin and Jean Nerrie, and brother Christopher Nerrie, as well as

numerous aunts, uncles, and cousins. She also leaves behind her dog, Willow and cats, Boots and Yinny.

She is predeceased by her maternal mother, Susan Nerrie, maternal grandparents George and Edith Morley, and paternal grandparents Raymond and Claire Nerrie.

Funeral Notice:

Funeral services for Jessica M. Bona will be private. In lieu of flowers, donations in her memory can be made to Berkshire Humane Society, 214 Barker Road, Pittsfield, MA 01201.

Tribute Wall



“ *My deepest condolences to Jessica's family. Jessica was a creative and loving soul. Her benevolence to animals in need as well as her dedication and service to them was an inspiration. She was good natured and humorous and her energy and enthusiasm towards life touched those around her. She will be missed.*

Edward Pelkey - September 26, 2022 at 12:10 PM

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“ *I shared an office with Jess at the Berkshire Museum. She had the biggest heart and was such a good friend to everyone. We laughed more than we worked and we worked tons. She taught me to hike the Cobbles and I was with her when she first developed her love of dogs. I don't live in the area anymore but when we would occasionally catch up her love for Shelby was what shone through the most. Your whole family is in my thought and prayers.*

carly Reidy - September 24, 2022 at 09:14 AM

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“ *I'm very sorry to hear about the passing of Jess. My heart goes out to all of you especially Shelby. You are in my thoughts and prayers and I have been thinking about you throughout this difficult time. Again, I'm very sorry for your loss.*

Brenda Danforth - September 21, 2022 at 08:06 PM

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“ *Love, Kathy, Art, Kristen, and Jennifer purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Jessica M. Bona.*



Love, Kathy, Art, Kristen, and Jennifer - September 21, 2022
at 10:46 AM