



Faith H. Hawley

June 28, 1951 - March 18, 2008

Faith H. (n. Feldstein) Hawley, 56, devoted mother, loving wife, teacher, and patient advocate died on Tuesday, March 18, 2008 after a long, courageous battle with melanoma.

Faith is survived by her husband Thomas Hawley of Lorton, VA; two children, Dr. Joshua Hawley of Kailua, HI, and Dr. Dana Hawley of Blacksburg, VA; and sisters Joy Brilliant of Northfield, NJ, and Hope Domingo of Norwich, CT. Faith was preceded in death by her parents, Marshall and Estelle Feldstein of Ventnor, NJ.

Faith was born in Atlantic City, NJ, and attended Rider College where she majored in English. While living in Japan in the 1970s, Faith taught English conversation to Japanese business executives and college professors. Upon moving to Virginia, Faith worked as a financial counselor at Fairfax Hospital for 15 years, where she tirelessly assisted patients in need. She was also a long time volunteer with the Literacy Council of Northern Virginia. Faith maintained her lifelong passion for helping others during her four-year battle with melanoma, befriending and providing comfort to many fellow cancer patients. Above all, she was fiercely devoted and loyal to her family, enjoying all manner of activities as long as her family was together.

Funeral services will take place at Jefferson Funeral Chapel, 5755

Castlewellan Dr., Alexandria, VA on Friday, March 21 at 4 PM. Interment will be held at Arlington National Cemetery on Tuesday, March 25 at 10 AM. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in memory of Faith to the Melanoma Research Foundation (www.melanoma.org).

Tribute Wall



“ *Faith H. Hawley*

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“ *We never had the pleasure of meeting Faith, but do know her wonderful son, Josh, quite well. I am certain she was a compassionate and insightful mother given the strength of character she instilled in Josh. We are very saddened by the news of your mother's death, Josh. We miss you and Jonathan terribly. All of our support and love, Jess and Rachael*

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“ *My prayers are with you.*

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“ While I never met Faith Hawley, Josh spoke of her often. A parent has a lot to do with the make-up of a person. Judging by Josh, she must have been a truly remarkable woman who will be greatly missed. May Godspeed all of you through this terrible time.

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“ Though I did not know Faith, I know she must have been an amazing woman to have raised Dana, who is a courageous and loving daughter, and a faithful and loving friend. I wish I could take on some of the grief of Faith's family in this time, or to somehow help you begin to heal. You will be in my thoughts, as you have been throughout Faith's long and difficult illness. I wish you peace and the love and support of family and friends in the time ahead. With love, Melanie

April 06, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ Faith was truly amazing. Always concerned about others and gracious til the end. She gave us time to say goodbye and for that I am grateful. I'll miss her smile.

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“ We are so sorry for your loss. Faith was a courageous fighter and a charming person. Her memory and what she stood for lives on with countless individuals, many who did not know her well. Moreover, her greatest legacy lives on in her family, through whom we hope to know her even better. All our love to you, Gary & Jenness

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“ *Kerri and I want to share our sincerest condolences with each member of Faith's family. We have had the good fortunate to know and love Faith's daughter, Dana, as a true friend and kindred spirit for many years. It was our privilege during that time to bear witness to the love and joy, happiness and sadness, frustration and forgiveness that was so poignantly expressed in the bond shared by mother and daughter. Our own love for Dana and her family is revealed by the depth of sadness and sympathy we feel at Faith's passing. We are so sorry for you loss and, please know, that we would gladly ease your burden if it were but possible. All our love, the Mullen Family*

April 06, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ *To the Hawley and Feldstein families we send our sympathies. We never had the chance to meet Faith, but we felt we knew her through knowing Dana. She must have been a wonderful mother because Dana is such a wonderful friend and person. We are thinking of you all and wishing you peace.*

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“ I am deeply saddened by the news. I had the pleasure of meeting Faith during her visits to Ithaca and via my friendship with Dana. Although my interactions with Faith were usually brief, she was familiar to me (I have a very similar Jewish mother!. I very much admired Faith's candor and ability to speak her mind. She was an incredibly spirited person, a tireless and engaged mother. She wasn't the type to take NO for an answer! She has so much to be proud of, including two very successful children. A special memory includes a brunch Faith, Tom, Dana and I shared in Princeton, a place where Faith and Tom spent time during their courtship phase! We had a wonderful meal at PJs diner and over pancakes, learned of their early dating years. It was special to share a place that was long theirs as it was new to me. Over the past four years, and from the sidelines, I have been hoping for a miracle. This was a long and difficult process for her and her family - I was continually impressed by the endurance, the perserverance, the energy, love and devotion that surrounded Faith. She was so lucky to have all of that love in her life. With love, Becca

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