

OBITUARY

Jennifer Anne Arburn, 7 February 1964 – 26 May 2019



Jennifer ‘Jenni’ Anne Bucha Arburn, passed away on May 26, 2019 in her home. Born on February 7, 1964 in Sands, Marquette County, Michigan to Joseph and Andrea D. Bucha, she came from an Air Force military family. She graduated in 1982 from Samuel Clemens High School in Schertz, Texas. Jenni married Donald Arburn on June 9, 1990 in San Antonio, Texas. Jenni was a beloved wife, mother, and member of the San Antonio caving community. She enjoyed caving, cooking, camping, fairies, traveling the world with friends and family, Italian food, a good cup of tea, genealogy, and reading. Jenni was always one to “tell it like it is” and support each person around her to the best of her abilities. Jenni was an early member of the Bexar Grotto Caving Club as well as a member of the Texas Cave Management Association, the Texas Speleological Association and the National Speleological Society (NSS 56823FL). She is preceded in death by her son, Nicolas Joseph Arburn (2012), her mother, Andrea D. Hood Bucha (2007), and her mothers-in-law, LaVonne Kennedy Bradfield (2018) and Theresa Morkovsky Arburn (2008). Jenni is survived by her husband Donald Arburn, daughter Jessica Waters, father Joseph Bucha and spouse, sisters Angel Bucha and Audrey Bucha Abbey, sister-in-law Ginger Arburn Rogers and her husband Bill, brother-in-law Scott Trautman and his wife Jennifer, fathers-in-law Charles Bradfield and Robert ‘Bob’ Arburn, as well as many nieces, nephews, and cousins. Jenni will be cremated per her wishes. No funeral is planned. For those who would like to donate in her name, please consider the following places such as San Antonio Botanical Garden or Texas Cave Management Association or one of your choice.

[Texascavers] Jenni Arburn.

Linda Palit linda.k.palit@gmail.com via texascavers.com

Tue, May 28, 12:54 AM

to Cavers

I am deeply saddened to say that Jenni is deceased.

Jenni Arburn passed away sometime between Saturday night and Sunday morning [26 May 2019]. Jenni had some long term health issues, and we believe she succumbed to complications from that.

Don Arburn was in Memphis waiting for his truck to be serviced, and flew back today on the first flight available. He is trying to cope with this staggering loss, and requests no calls for a few days.

Feel free to contact me if you need him or have questions. I will keep you updated here.

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Wed, May 29, 9:44 AM

to Cavers

“I want to thank everyone for their well wishes and prayers for my wife, myself and our family. Jenni Arburn Is in the process of being released from the medical examiners office to Sunset funeral home. Joe scheduled a very short viewing for next Wednesday for myself and her daughter, followed by her cremation. A wake will be scheduled sometime in the next month or two, likely at my sister Ginger Arburn Rogers’s home. More later.”

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Tue, May 28, 9:25 AM

to Cavers

From Don Arburn Sunday night:

“I have tried to get word to everyone, this is for those who I don’t know how to get ahold of. Jenni Arburn passed away sometime last night unexpectedly. I wasn’t able to speak with her this morning, or all day. I called a neighbor to check on her, no answer. Friends broke in and found her. I am stuck in Memphis until the morning. Please send love to her so she can find her way. More when I know more.”

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Feel free to contact Ann Scott, Joe Ranzau or me if you need him or have questions. I will keep you updated here.

George Veni gveni@nckri.org [via texascavers.com](http://www.texascavers.com)

Tue, May 28, 11:22 AM

to texascavers@texascavers.com

Jenni was an active caver in the 1980s and 1990s. Health issues limited her caving afterward, but she would often attend TCR and other events and support cavers and caving activities in whatever way she could. She was a good friend and a good person, like many we’ve lost over the past year. My love and sympathies go out to her and Don.

George

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Mon, Aug 19, 7:08 PM (13 days ago)

to Cavers

If you have any pictures of Jenni, please send me the best high res copies you have, jpeg if possible.

Many thanks,
Linda