



Jedonne Winans Rhudy

May 20, 1952 - February 21, 2016

Jedonne, born May 20, 1952, was the only child to Frank and Inez Winans of Los Angeles, CA. Growing up in Sacramento, CA, she was an avid lover of Music, studying the violin and singing in Choral groups. She graduated High School in 1969, and on March 28, 1970, married Steven Rhudy of San Mateo, CA. A year later, they relocated to the Santa Cruz Mountains, where they were introduced to Christianity and became members of St. Andrew Episcopal Church in Ben Lomond, CA. Within a few years, their family had grown to include two children, Peter and Cana.

In 1987, Jedonne, Steven and their children were received into the Eastern Orthodox Church. Her husband, Steven was ordained to the Priesthood and served at Sts. Peter and Paul Orthodox Church in Ben Lomond, CA. In 1993, they moved to Austin, TX to start an Orthodox Church. Jedonne completed her higher education with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Accounting, and began working with the State of Texas Comptroller's Office.

In 2009, after serving at Churches in New York, Iowa and Indiana, she and her retired husband, decided to move to Anniston, AL where Cana and her husband, Fr. Basil Henry, were living and establishing St. Luke Orthodox Church. In 2014, Peter relocated to Anniston, and the Rhudy family was together once again.

Jedonne, a Godmother to many, was generous and kind, and always

concerned for those around her. Jedonne continued to pursue her love of music by singing in the Church choir, joining a Community Choir, as well as, playing her violin to accompany Carolers at a local Nursing Home during the Christmas Season.

Jedonne passed peacefully from this life in the early morning of February 21, 2016. She was surrounded and supported by her loving family and caregivers during the last days of her life.

Tribute Wall



“ I will never forget Jedonne's kindness and smile. Hers was the first voice I heard when I called St. Elias after moving to Round Rock. I was intending to ask about services and catechumen classes at St. Elias when Jedonne told me about the Northwest Mission (now St. John the Forerunner) and that it was closer to our home. I felt welcomed the first time I entered her doors and still worship there today. Memory Eternal, Kh. Jedonne!

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