



Melissa Zambrano Galvan

December 22, 1971 - February 25, 2018

Melissa Zambrano Galvan, 46, of San Antonio, Texas, went to be with our Lord on February 25, 2018 after a five year battle with breast cancer. She was surrounded by loving family and friends. Melissa was born December 22, 1971.

Melissa's endearing and long lasting friendships were established at St. John Bosco, St. Paul's Elementary and Lee High School. She attended San Antonio College, Texas Tech University, earned her Bachelor's degree from the University of Texas at San Antonio and Master's degree in Educational Leadership from Texas A&M.

In 1997 Melissa moved to Houston, Texas, to pursue her dream of becoming a Middle School English teacher. During her first year teaching at Galena Park ISD, Houston, Texas, she was awarded Teacher of the Year. In 2000, she relocated to the Dallas area and taught at Wilson Middle School in Plano, Texas, for the next 13 years. Melissa returned to San Antonio and continued her passion for teaching at Olmos Elementary and Tejada Middle School NEISD. Melissa taught for 20 years, positively impacting and influencing thousands of students who had the privilege of having her as a teacher. When diagnosed with breast cancer in 2013, Melissa remained dedicated to her love for teaching and her students. Always active, you could find Melissa running a 5k, hiking, kickboxing or reading. Above all, her most treasured moments were spent with her beloved niece, Charli Grace. Resilient, even throughout her final months, Melissa remained a brave, iron-willed woman.

She was loved by so many for her kindness, clever wit, dazzling smile and beautiful soul.

Melissa is survived by her proud mother, Betty Zambrano Hernandez, Sister Aida Hernandez and Fiancé David Perez; brother Jesse Hernandez; sister Amanda Hernandez and brother-in-law Nick Hernandez, their daughters Charli Grace and Chandler Grey. Melissa is also survived by her father Richard Galvan and wife Cynthia; sister Benigna and husband Louis Bueno, daughter Layla Bueno; sister, Christine and husband Richard Salcido, son Anthony Salcido; brother Kenneth and wife Sylvia Galvan and son Carter; Uncle Roy Roger Galvan and Aunt Di; Uncle Charlie Zambrano and Aunt Marylou; Aunt Patricia Zambrano; Aunt Jackie and Uncle Robert Stettina; Uncle Robert Galvan and Aunt Barbara; Uncle Joe Galvan and Aunt Vicky; all of her Zambrano and Galvan cousins; and numerous lifelong friends. She is preceded in death by Grandma and Grandpa Galvan, Grandpa and Grandma Zambrano, Step-father Mario Hernandez, Uncle Gordon Zambrano and Uncle Roland Galvan.

The family would especially like to thank Sylvia Lares Muniz, Danae Quijano and Angela Hamilton for loving and supporting Melissa through her journey; Dr. Bogeav and Dr. Drangler, you were both an amazing part of Melissa's journey, and she treasured your love and care. In lieu of flowers, please send donations in Melissa Galvan's name to the Pink Warrior Angels, PO Box 310508, New Braunfels, Texas 78131 or Head for the Cure Foundation at HeadfortheCure.org. Family and friends can also share loving memories of Melissa through Mission Park North Funeral Home's website www.missionparks.com.

A visitation and prayer service will take place at Cornerstone Church in the Vada Hagee Prayer Chapel on Thursday, March 8, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. followed by a celebration memorial service on Friday, March 9, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. at Cornerstone Church, Vada Hagee Prayer Chapel. A reception at Fellowship Hall will follow; all are welcome. In honor of Melissa, we ask you to wear red, her signature color.

Previous Events

Visitation and Prayer Service

MAR 8. 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM (CT)

Vada Hagee Chapel at Cornerstone Church
18755 Stone Oak Parkway
San Antonio, TX 78258

Memorial Service

MAR 9. 10:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Melissa Zambrano Galvan.*



March 07, 2018 at 09:12 AM



“ *Be My Love Bouquet with Red Roses was purchased for the family of Melissa Zambrano Galvan.*



March 05, 2018 at 10:09 PM



“ *USAA purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Melissa Zambrano Galvan.*



USAA - March 05, 2018 at 11:30 AM

MS

“ We had some fun times together. I will miss you, my friend. Betty, my love and support to you and your family.



Merry Salinas - March 04, 2018 at 11:37 AM

DC

“ Deepest condolences to Betty Jean Zambrano Hernandez, Hernandez, Richard Galvan & Galvan family. Melissa was such a strong person, whom loved her family. May she RIP, you will be missed, but always remembered fondly.

Diana Compton - March 03, 2018 at 01:42 AM

 Debbie Ramos

“ RIP Melissa.

Debbie Ramos - March 02, 2018 at 09:42 PM

AM

“ We love and miss you ZSA ZSA!!!

amanda - March 02, 2018 at 08:34 PM