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Michelle Montoya, 55, passed away suddenly at her home on March 22nd, 2022. Michelle was born on June 24th, 1966, in Sacramento, CA to Isabel Viguera and Manuel Fernandez Sr. She was one of eight children, four boys and four girls. Michelle wasn't just "one" of the eight from the Fernandez clan, she was number seven of eight. If your family is big enough to start their own band, number seven doesn't sound very significant. She'd probably play something uninspiring like the triangle or tambourine, but Michelle was anything but uninspiring. She was the youngest girl in the family, which is what made number seven so special. On the day she entered this world she already had three older brothers to protect her, and three older sisters ready to spoil her, and shortly after she arrived, she gained a younger brother to love and protect. Each and every one of her relationships with her siblings meant the world to her and held such a special place in her heart.

From a very young age, Michelle loved the outdoors, animals, and art. She is remembered as a child full of life, always smiling, and having the most adorable, perfectly round cheeks. She loved life and all its adventures. If she saw something that caught her eye, or her heart, she would hold up an imaginary camera, take a photo, and say, "just taking a picture so I can remember this moment forever."

The same passions she had as a child, grew when Michelle became a mother. She had four beautiful children, two boys and two girls, who she loved more than life itself. Being a mom was the honor of her life and identity for almost all of it. Nothing gave her more joy than sharing her passions with her children, watching them grow, seeing them find their own passions, and following all the milestones they reached along the way.

She was preceded in death by her older brother Steven Fernandez. Michelle is survived by her children, Steven Llanes, Gabriel Llanes, Isabel De Leon, and Lauren Potter (Adam Potter). Her siblings, Manuel Fernandez, Candy Claypole, Gregory "Greg" Fernandez, Adrienne "Andy"



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Sorrell, Andrea “Toni” Fernandez, Gabriel “Shem” Fernandez, and her parents, Isabel Vigueria and Manuel Fernandez Sr.

If you would like to honor Michelle in a special way that was close to her heart, please paint a kindness rock in her remembrance and leave it somewhere special to be found.

A Celebration of Life will be held in remembrance of Michelle, service dates and time will be announced on a later date.



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Candy Claypole lit a candle in honor of Michelle.

Shelly as I called her, was so sweet and always smiling. I loved her dearly, as a little girl she always would pretend she was taking pictures of me, when I asked "what are you doing" she said "I taking a picture of you so I can always remember you."Also, Shelly would come into my bedroom and we would play - Go Fish card games all evening so she learn her numbers, and hold onto my leg and squeeze it and say "I love you so much" I look forward to seeing here in the Paradise, when she'll wake up with no pain and fill healthy and full of life.Candy Claypole



March 28 at 5:59 PM



Madisøen Studdard posted:

I remember Aunt Michelle and my cousins staying with us off and on when I was a child. And I remember my aunt Michelle taught me to say "Don't hate me because I'm beautiful." She will be missed by us all.

March 27 at 1:37 PM



Anonymous sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Montoya family.



March 27 at 1:04 PM



Andrea Fernandez lit a candle in honor of Michelle.



March 26 at 7:36 PM



Tammy Renfroe lit a candle in honor of Michelle.



March 26 at 7:33 PM



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Tammy Renfroe posted:

Aunt Michelle was like my big sister. We did so much together growing up and as adults. I am going to miss you soooooo much. I just can't believe this. My heart is broken so bad. I'm so glad we were talking and I was able to tell you how much I missed and loved you and you said the same to me. I will always need my rock you painted and sent me. I luv u aunt Michelle. Rest peacefully in heaven. Xoxo

March 26 at 7:31 PM



Flower Crittenden lit a candle in honor of Michelle.

Forever in my heart! Your love and kindness lives in your beautiful children 💜💜
💜💜 May Jah keep you in his memory 🧡

March 26 at 6:33 PM





Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Michelle by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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