



Joan Ellen Arslanian

November 16, 1951 - January 8, 2021

Joan Arslanian, 69, died January 8, 2021 with her family by her side in Huntington, New York. She was born in Rosedale, New York to Evelyn Arslanian Tweedy (96) and John Arslanian (deceased). Her mother, Evelyn was born in England and John in Philadelphia. Joan was well educated, as she received her BS at Niagara University, an MS at LIU/CW Post and MSN at Pace University. She was the author of journal articles in the areas of Nephrology and dialysis. She made many presentations at conferences of professional associations in the areas of Nephrology and dialysis. She worked with the National Kidney Foundation to create a certification test for dialysis technicians and loved educating and giving back to her dialysis community. Joan worked as a dialysis Nurse Practitioner for over 35 years at New York Presbyterian Queens. She was loved by her staff and patients, to whom she was dedicated. One of her coworkers wrote: "my heart is broken. Joan you were not just my supervisor, you were so very much more...my mentor, my friend, my absolute go-to person and not a day will go by that I will not say, 'what would Joan do? What would Joan say?' You always had the answer. You gave your life to your job and staff. You were the kindest, most generous person I have known. It was an honor and privilege to have had you in my life for the past 31 years. I will do my best to make you proud. Heaven truly has another angel. Rest peacefully. Until we meet again my friend." Joan was a true patient advocate. Her decisions were always made with the patients in mind, and she made sure they always had holiday goodies to snack on while on their dialysis. She loved her work and her patients. Joan loved her family very much and spoiled them whenever she could. Joan is survived by her mother Evelyn Tweedy; sister Linda and brother-in-law Michael Calkins; stepbrother John Tweedy and his wife Pat; nieces and nephews: Sean, Carrie and John Patrick Carlin; and Stephanie, Andrew and Sophia Morgan Keith. In lieu of flowers, please make a donation to the National Kidney Foundation in Joan's name. She would really love that! Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, a memorial service will be held at a later date.

We will always love you Joannie. Rest in peace. Until we meet again.