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A native-born Houstonian, Marta was five months old when her overseas adventures began with a family move to Trinidad, West Indies and then on to Caracas, Venezuela three years later. Even after moving back to Houston, she never lost her love of traveling or the beach. Family holidays often featured beach destinations, and most Fridays of her boys' early years found her packing them up to spend the weekend on Lake Livingston, where fishing, sun and watersports filled their days.

Marta graduated from St. Agnes Academy in Houston in 1986 and earned a Marketing degree from the University of Texas at Austin in 1990. Her first job out of school was for TIPS, a commercial real estate company. After a couple years she transitioned to the marketing department at First Community Credit Union. In 1997 she left to co-found her own company, The Marketing Department. Over almost two decades, the two-person firm evolved into PMD Marketing, Inc., and by the time Marta left the company a few years ago, they had several full time employees and many freelance workers on the payroll.

Marta worked from her home office, and her young sons were her priority. As

they became active in team sports, she was an enthusiastic cheerleader from the stands. Marta had a quick mind, and you could always count on her for a witty comeback. Her business sense was unerringly on point and she prided herself on being organized, productive, and finding the best deal. Marta did not suffer fools gladly and she was fiercely independent, but always thoughtful. She never failed to make the time to help a neighbor or hunt for special gifts for friends and family.

A creative cook, Marta enjoyed making fresh, delicious dinners for her family. Her lasagna, a recipe she made first as a teenager, was legendary, and her chicken and sausage gumbo was so wonderful that it became the center of the Christmas menu in her home. She was also an avid reader.

Marta is survived by three dear sons who she loved with her whole heart, Cooper (19), Cameron (17) and Crawford (14) of Houston; her mother, Jean Woodhouse of Houston and father, Jerry Livingston (Rebeca) of Quito, Ecuador; sisters Tanya Livingston Tovilla of Houston, Stacy Livingston Rushton (Simon) of Dubai, UAE and Christina Livingston Weiblen (Darrell) of Houston, and many nieces and nephews.

A private celebration of Marta's life will be held at a family home on Saturday, January 27th. Memorial donations can be made in Marta's name to the Waggoner Center at the University of Texas: "<https://utdirect.utexas.edu/apps/utgiving/online/nlogon/?menu=NSSM>"

Marta was a devoted mother, a thoughtful and loving daughter and the best of sisters. She will be deeply missed.

Tribute Wall



“ *Marta Kristen Livingston Lane*

October 08, 2023 at 10:52 AM



“ *Marta Kristen Livingston Lane*

October 06, 2023 at 01:12 AM



“ *Marta Kristen Livingston Lane*

October 05, 2023 at 09:45 AM



“ *Marta Kristen Livingston Lane*

October 05, 2023 at 01:54 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Marta Kristen Livingston Lane.*



January 26, 2018 at 01:03 PM

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“ Dear Jean & Jerry,
Words are inadequate to express the sadness I feel for you on the passing of Marta and I wish you peace to bring comfort and courage to face the days ahead and loving memories of her to hold forever in your hearts. I remember her so well in Pointe- a- Pierre as a tiny little tot with beautiful blonde curls. Please accept my most heartfelt sympathies for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family during this very sad and difficult time.
She is with Jesus and the angels now, may God bless her and grant her eternal peace and happiness. Marta RIP.



Lots of love,
Angela

Angela Henderson - January 25, 2018 at 08:55 AM

JW

Thank you Angela for your warm and comforting words about my daughter Marta. With love.

Jean G. Woodhouse - February 12, 2018 at 11:59 AM



“ Dear Stacy and family,
I wanted to share with you this beautiful thought.
"I know for certain that we never lose the people we love, even to death. They continue to participate in every act, thought and decision we make. Their love leaves an indelible imprint in our memories. We find comfort in knowing that our lives have been enriched by having shared their love."
The immense consolation is to know that Marta is in heaven, in a place where there is only love and happiness for all eternity.
Sending lots of love and prayers,
Leila Plante

Leila Marcel Plante - January 24, 2018 at 01:36 AM

JW

Thank you for your kind and comforting words.

Jean G. Woodhouse - February 12, 2018 at 12:02 PM



“ Marta was a delightful person and a very loyal friend. Whenever I needed to talk or needed help, Marta was there. I will miss her very much. I know we will see each other again one day and she will be happy and full of life. May her children remember all the good days and love she had for them. Rest In Peace Marta.

Barbara Kriesel - January 23, 2018 at 11:21 AM

JW

Thank you Barbara for being Marta's faithful friend. I am forever grateful that you were at Marta's side until her end. I love Barbara.

Jean G. Woodhouse - February 12, 2018 at 11:57 AM