



Vivian Rose Melnick

July 24, 1939 - February 28, 2019

Vivian Rose Zonana Melnick passed away on February 28, 2019. To those lucky enough to cross paths with her, just the mention of her name brings the warmth of her sparkle.

In WAY too short a life, Rose accomplished a vast amount. Being raised as we were, by her, it is difficult to emphasize on paper, human accomplishment in someone so superhuman in the lives she has affected and the mark she leaves on humanity. That being said, Rose's extreme intelligence and creativity made her success seem easy and trivial for her. After marrying at "just turned 17", and 3 children by 26, raised to be integral, rich, warm, loving assets to this world, she went Back to school. She earned a BS in psychology (as Mom would say, no pun intended!), and a masters in sociology with which she worked in hospital settings counseling adults and teens in drug abuse, and went on to a private practice specializing in relationship counseling, drug abuse, and general counseling.

In addy, she was Houston ladies tennis association champion, skier (kind of), EXCELLENT gambler, walker of all local 5&10k's, horse mom, run mom, and taker care of all who she ran across. The beggar on our corner no longer allows me to give him money, only asks about and says he prays for Mom. The family parrot, when fallen off his cage and on the floor with the Great Dane, will walk across the room (a bird mile), to get up on Mom's arm. She is

amazing, indescribably loved, and devastatingly missed for the time that G-d chooses to keep us on this earth.

She is survived by her husband of 63 years, Harry Melnick, daughters Ilene Elkins Lauren McCreary, and Vicky Melnick; sister Cheryl Ann Zonana Brent, brother Eli Zonana; four grandchildren, one great grandchild.

Her presence will be with the countless lives she touched forever.