



Alyssa Marie Kendall

July 24, 1968 - March 28, 2018

Aly Kendall, 49, former head librarian at Lake Tahoe School in Incline Village, Nevada, died peacefully Wednesday, March 28th in Truckee of a rare and currently incurable abdominal cancer.

An avid reader, philosophical and thoughtful conversationalist, and fierce word-smithing Scrabble competitor, Aly is survived by her son, Casey Jobe, a sophomore at UC Davis; husband, Peyton Jobe; parents, Chuck and Verona Kendall; sister, Ashley Kendall; and the family pet, Sonny, who Aly adopted after organizing a student volunteer effort at the Truckee Humane Society.

A career educator and librarian, Aly came to Truckee in 2009 to teach Spanish at Sugar Bowl Academy not long after receiving her cancer diagnosis following surgical procedures at the University of Virginia hospital. Head of Lake Tahoe School Ruth Glass hired Aly in 2014 to run the school's library after Aly could no longer continue regular classroom teaching.

During her 10-year battle with abdominal cancer, Aly endeared herself to medical communities near and far, having been treated at UVA, Moore Cancer Center and Thornton Hospital in San Diego, as well as our own Tahoe Forest Hospital/Cancer Center. By the end of each nursing shift during her many prolonged hospital stays, Aly invariably could recount to friends and family her nurse's life story. At Lake Tahoe School, teachers who brought their students to her for library story time described her as "magical" for her spellbinding

reading of the books she had selected and purchased for the school library. Here in Truckee, the medical community came to know her as the patient who could always manage to smile through the pain, explain details of her illness as articulately and thoroughly as a physician, and repeatedly rally back to better health against all odds.

A Celebration of Life will be held at the home of close family friends Meg and Ambrose Tuscano from 10-noon on Saturday, March 31 at 53964 Sherritt Lane, Soda Springs, CA. In lieu of flowers, the family has asked for donations to be made to the ACPMP Research Foundation at URL <https://paddlechallenge.acmp.org/campaigns/245>. Hug a friend today for Aly.