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LINDA ESTROFF OBITUARY

INDA SUSAN ESTROFF, 59

LAKELAND - Lakeland resident, Linda Susan Estroff, 59, died at home, on January 3, 2011, of complications from a brain aneurysm initially suffered on July 14, 2005, and subsequent strokes, which occurred December 19, 2010.

She lived in Lakeland with her husband, Sanford "Sandy" Estroff, whom she met on October 29, 1979, the day he was sworn as a member of the Florida Legal Bar, by then-sitting Circuit Court Judge, William K. Love. On that day, Sandy first saw Linda, and always claimed "It was love at first sight". His declaration was bourne out, as the couple was inseparable. They worked together for over 25 years, defying all those who predicted disaster.

Sandy brought her home after her aneurysm in late December, 2005, where she was lovingly cared for by him. Her condition gradually improved so that she could feed herself and use the TV remote control. She had recently regained use of her full voice. She and Sandy had many meaningful talks over the past few months where she could express her wants, needs and feelings.

Born in Plant City, Florida, she graduated from Plant City High School in 1971. She excelled in solving complex computer issues. After her initial illness, her husband was surprised to learn that her last computer was named SWMBO, which meant "She who must be obeyed". It took him months to figure out the myriad of passwords, safeguards and encryptions she had installed for security and fun. Linda and Sandy were married on March 16, 1985, by the same Judge William K. Love, who administered Sandy's Oath of Attorney. Both expressed great pride at being married by and with Love presiding. They honeymooned in Europe for two glorious weeks. They lived in homes that Linda designed and supervised during construction. The next 25 years were spent in constant bliss. Many described their marriage as "the ultimate in togetherness, love, devotion and caring".

They adored, loved and spent a great amount of time with their numerous nieces and nephews, who returned their affections many fold. Linda's many passions included cooking, gardening, computing, theater, art, travel and music. She had a great love of life and a mischievous side that took many by surprise. She was an eternal optimist who never uttered a mean spirited word. She was the ultimate lady and infected those around her with her grace and beauty.

She is survived by her husband, Sandy, who grieves her passing, along with many relatives, friends and business associates.

A memorial service will be scheduled at a later date, celebrating her life.

In lieu of flowers, it is respectfully requested that donations be made to the SPCA, or any other charity of your choice.

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