



## Jennifer Lynn Lubner

August 25, 1970 - August 14, 2025

Jennifer “Jenni” Lubner, 54, of Sarasota, Florida, passed away peacefully on August 14, 2025,

after a courageous 18 month battle with cancer.

Born in Mt. Clemens, Michigan, Jennifer developed an early love for artistry and design while

accompanying her parents, avid collectors of early American antiques, on their excursions. She

pursued her passion through studies in Fine Art at Stephen F. Austin State University and later at

the Art Institute of Dallas in Interior Design.

In September 2023, Jenni joined Norris Furniture & Interiors as Director of Merchandising,

where she quickly became a vital and inspiring part of the team. Her impeccable eye for design,

vibrant creativity, and joyful spirit influenced every project she touched. Known for her bright

and colorful style, Jenni had a gift for bringing out the best in people and leaving a lasting

impression on all who knew her.

Outside of her professional achievements, Jenni loved the beach, sunsets, and collecting

seashells. She often joked she had gathered enough shells to replenish the

shore after a storm.

She also cherished time at home with her beloved dog, Sadie, and her two cats, Jasper and Montgomery.

Jenni is survived by her devoted husband and best friend, Rael Lubner of Sarasota, Florida; her mother, Sharon Vandesteeg of Grapevine, Texas; her sister, Kristin Egli of North Richland Hills, Texas; her nephew, Mason Vandesteeg of Grapevine, Texas; and her niece, Jill Egli of Austin, Texas.

She was preceded in death by her father, Dennis Vandesteeg, and her grandparents, Harold and Lorine Taylor, and Ronald and Norma Vandesteeg.

Honoring her wishes, Jenni will be cremated, and her ashes will be scattered in the Gulf of Mexico she so deeply loved. A beachside celebration of her life will be held after hurricane season.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in her memory to your local animal shelter, reflecting her lifelong love of animals.

Jenni's warmth, creativity, and radiant spirit touched countless lives, and she will be profoundly missed by her family, friends, colleagues, and all who had the privilege of knowing her.