

Obituary

Michele Renee Hughes-Cejas, age 53, of Lecanto, FL, passed away November 30, 2020 at the Trauma Center at Shands Hospital in Gainesville, FL.

Michele was born on June 2, 1967 at the Naval Hospital in Oceanside, CA to former Marine and Vietnam Veteran Edgar L Hughes and Linda Lee (Jones) Hughes. Michele was a Pharmacy Tech at the Naval Hospital, Oak Harbor Pharmacy, Washington State. She moved to Riverview, FL in 2014 and to Citrus County in 2015. She was a member of St. Scholastica Catholic Church in Lecanto, FL, in addition she was a member of the Job's Daughters International and she founded the St. Frances Sunny Side Up Animal Rescue in 2015 in Lecanto, FL working hand in hand with Lecanto Animal Shelter Rescue.



All her life, Michele loved caring for animals. She volunteered in various Animal Kill Shelters for rescue while residing in Crestview, FL. In her career, she also worked at Elgin Airforce Base Pharmacy, Twin Cities Hospital Pharmacy and Fort Walton Beach Hospital Pharmacy.

Michele is survived by her husband Ramon Nunez Cejas; parents, Edgar and Linda Lee (Jones) Hughes; four children, Jessie Kovala, Jeramy Reiley, Kyle "Matt" and his wife Autum Kovala. Christopher and Katelyn Thomas; three siblings, Tracey and her husband Joseph "Joe" Novak, John Brotzman, Katie Brotzman; three grandchildren, Phoenix Kovala, Kyah Thomas, Kylie Kovala; nieces and nephews, Andrew, Anthony and Lauren.

Mass will be offered at 10:30 a.m. on Friday December 11, 2020 at St. Scholastica Catholic Church in Lecanto, FL. Private cremation will take place under the direction of Brown Funeral Home and Crematory in Lecanto, FL.