

The Jana Marie Lambert Memorial Scholarship

Presented by the Lambert family

Administered by the Colorado Chapter of the National Hemophilia Foundation

The family of Jana Marie Lambert would like to announce the Jana Marie Lambert Memorial Scholarship, an annual scholarship in the amount of \$1,000 to a member of the Colorado Chapter of the National Hemophilia Foundation. The scholarship would be available to anyone with a bleeding disorder, immediate family members of those with a bleeding disorder, and immediate family members of those who have died due to complications of a bleeding disorder living in Colorado. The applicant must be in the process of seeking a post-secondary education, which can include a college or university, or a trade school.

The Jana Marie Lambert Memorial Scholarship was established in 2016 to honor Jana's life. Born on December 1st, 1968 in DeSoto, TX, Jana died from complications due to breast cancer on April 25, 2015 in Broomfield, CO. Jana is survived by her mother Janice, husband Ken and her children Carter and Angelica.

Jana became active in the Hemophilia community when her son Carter was diagnosed with both Hemophilia B and Von Willebrand's disease. After her son's diagnosis, Jana herself was tested and found to have a non-specific platelet disorder, suspected to be vWD. Her hematologist also suspected her to have a 50% chance of being a Hemophilia B carrier. Jana served for 5 years as the Secretary on the Board of Directors for the Western PA Chapter of the National Hemophilia Foundation before the family moved to Colorado in 2013. She was just beginning to become an active member of the Colorado Chapter of the NHF when her cancer returned.



Jana moved to Singapore in 1997 to become the managing director of an advertising agency. It was during this time that she met her husband Ken. The couple traveled throughout Southeast Asia for four years while being based in Singapore. In 2001, Jana and Ken married and moved to London, where Jana spent 2 years continuing her career as a senior VP in the advertising industry. When Jana became pregnant with her son Carter in 2003, the couple moved back to the US to start their family in Pittsburgh.

In 2005, when Carter was two years old, Jana and Ken became foster parents taking care of 4 children over the span of 3 years. Jana was a natural when it came to taking care of children and while her foster children were only in her charge for a short time, she no doubt had a huge impact on their lives. In 2008, Jana and Ken adopted their daughter Angelica who was 15 years old at the time, realizing one of the first conversations they had when they met, that they would like to have a child of their own and adopt another who needed a family.

In the spring of 2010, Jana found a lump in her breast that was found to be malignant. A summer of chemo was followed by multiple surgeries over the next 3 years to remove the tumor and reconstruct her body. In 2013 Jana was in remission when the family decided a change of scenery was in order and moved to the sun and mountains of Colorado. After arriving in Colorado, at the age of 45, Jana decided to change her career from a heavy hitting advertising executive and realize a childhood goal of working in medicine. She had just become a certified EMT and was on her way to becoming a paramedic when the cancer returned.

In her 47 years of life, Jana was the embodiment of optimism, lifting the spirit of everyone she came into contact with. Jana traveled the world, provided a safe and loving home to other people's kids, and remained unfathomably positive in the face of cancer.

Ken Lambert