

Homegoing Celebration of

**MRS. JULIE ANNE (SOLOVIEFF,
RACKLEY, MONTEIRO) CREEL,
RN, BSK A/K/A “NURSE JUHLZIE”**

April 21st 1970 – November 11th 2025



Vox Populi: A Voice for The People.

Legendary Joy

Born Julie Anne Solovieff, and later known as Julie A. Rackley, Julie Anne Monteiro, and finally Julie Anne Creel, "Nurse Juhlzie" lived her life sharing love, immeasurable joy and creating immeasurable impacts everywhere she went. She took a proactive lead in changing systems, saved countless lives around the globe, and graced the lot of us and everyone around her with her passion, her presence, her loving charm and a relentless commitment to doing what was right, regardless.

Originally from Tustin, California, Julie grew up on a quiet little cul-de-sac in Irvine, CA and attended the Maranatha Christian Academy (MCA). Julie was raised in a joyful, loving home, inspired by one of the strongest of work ethics imaginable and a built-in drive to be of service to all of humanity. The middle child of three children, she raised the bar high for her siblings as they all did their best to outperform the other and get the attention of their busy parents.

Her father, Stephen W. Solovieff, was an engineer and legendary machinist, known for his inventions—including the deadbolt, a security device that he developed with his father and brother—and his role in many other disruptive innovations of the 70's 80's, 90' & 00's.

Rest In Power: Queen Nurse Juhlzie Ruhlzie:



A Legacy of Innovation, Education and Joy



Her mother, Janet L. Peterson-Solovieff, was a 100% Calif. woman-owned business owner who built her legacy around serving Jesus Christ while cleaning local houses, businesses, and specialized spaces long before the current era of national cleaning franchises. Together, they raised a smart, unstoppable daughter who would become known for standing up for patients/animal rights, love, creating positive, measurable changes, while living as the finest example of what she wanted to see in the world.

In early adulthood, Julie married Matthew Rackley, determined to create the family dream she longed for as a teenager. They eventually moved to western Wyoming. Together, they spent fifteen years raising two remarkable sons—intelligent, strong, handsome young men who became the center of her universe. She poured herself into motherhood with the same intensity, humor, and heart she later brought to each and every patient, and every project.

As the years went on, Julie made the truly courageous decision to leave Wyoming—both to pursue a career in healthcare and to escape a marriage that had become increasingly sour. Returning to Las Vegas, Nevada, she rebuilt her entire life from the ground up. There, she got to save lives as a pediatric emergency room trauma nurse, later branching into clinical education, and ultimately specializing in IPCE-accredited interprofessional continuing education, medical cannabis, and cannabis nursing as a global specialty. She served as president of Compassion Center, the oldest federally recognized medical cannabis clinic in the U.S. right up until her unexpected death.

It was during her time in Las Vegas that Julie met Abe Monteiro and, for the first time in her life, felt she truly fell in love in a way that she felt safe, seen, and celebrated. Their marriage brought her profound happiness until his unexpected passing. Years later, when Juhlzie met her last husband, James Creel, she rediscovered that lost spark and realized she could love that deeply again—and she did.

Professionally, Nurse Juhlzie was a monumental force in the international cannabis and integrative healthcare communities. She was instrumental in developing multiple novel cannabis therapeutics, treatment protocols, and care pathways for categorically complex, terminally ill, Veterans and underserved patient populations around the world. Through her many works with the Center for Incubation & Findings Research (CIFR) and work at her own research institute, Glocal Cannabis Nursing Institute (GCNI), she helped lead transformative efforts in places like Kenya and Lesotho, and supported programs in South Africa where hundreds of children have been educated and treated for HIV each year because of her love and immeasurable investment in health, humanity, education, compassion and love for underprivileged and underrepresented communities.

Creating The Changes That She Needed To



See In A World of Inequities and Disparities,



The vacuum created by Julie's passing is vast. Julie was actively aligning herself to follow in the larger than life footsteps of her beloved mentor, Cindy F. Brown, and countless other leaders within the global cannabis movement that she admired. She helped build and lead the Coalition for Patient Rights (CPR) from the ground up, a national movement centered on patient education and the global empowerment of patients, providers, & administrators, while advocating for the best outcomes in each patient's case, and for meaningful access to integrative healthcare. CPR's 5 pillars were hand-picked by Nurse Juhlzie and her mentors, Steve Morgan and Cindy F. Brown, while CPR's motto, "Vox Populi: A Voice for The People" was coined by her exclusively. The mission, morals, values and vision that Julie envisioned to shape CPR shall continue to serve as their north star in all Congressional and legislative venues where the voices of special interest get too loud.

In 2021, she co-founded the Integrative Providers Association (IPA) with the help of a pharmacist, a researcher, and an advocate-administrator to discover, educate, unite, and empower integrative providers around the globe. The IPA has organized conferences and workshops in Las Vegas and several other destination locations around the U.S., blending high-quality continuing medical education with "edutainment"—centering one's self-care around evidence-based collaborations and provider empowerment while finally shifting the culture of healthcare itself.

An industry pioneer, Julie helped guide leadership and set standards of care for patient wellness, focusing on a higher standard of care and a higher quality of life. Shifting integrative healthcare and mental health away from the symptom and disease management model, Julie focused on the whole patient & holistic approach. Her fingerprints can literally be found in many hospitals, community health systems, clinics, and practices around the globe, often from behind the scenes, working late into the night from her homes in Fabulous Las Vegas, Nevada or Molalla, Oregon.

A free spirit who partied as hard as she worked, Nurse Juhlzie was never just one particular thing or another. Juhlzie was a nurse, an educator, an advocate, a researcher, a spiritual seeker, a healer and a feeler, a music lover, a foodie and the life of every room she walked into.

She was extremely active in many civic, community-based, professional, and spiritual organizations, including the Las Vegas Buddhist Sangha where she was a loyal and dedicated member of the Buddhist Women's Association (BWA) and the local Las Vegas chapter of the BWA. Through it all, her family remained the most important focus of her life. Her children, her grandchildren, her brother, her sister-in-law, and all of her extended family were always at the front of her mind whenever she wasn't actively changing systems, caring for patients, or producing education.

So That Those That Come After Her Have An



Easier Pathway to Health and Prosperity.



As a proud mother, Juhlzie was regularly bragging about her sons, both of whom were not just football standouts but are now professionals working in Western Wyoming building beautiful families of their own—one of whom also served as a proud U.S. Marine, fighting for protecting and serving our country with strength, courage, awareness, and honor. As a grandmother, she took to that role with the same intensity she brought to every pediatric ER nursing role, seizing every opportunity to love, spoil, and encourage each of her four grandchildren. She had no favorites; she simply loved them all, fully and equally and it showed in every single gift, gesture & her endless words of love.

Looking through the lens of compassion, Nurse Juhlzie sought to leave each person and every community better than she had found them, even when they didn't yet know they needed it. Often, after Juhlzie's changes took root, people would circle back to say thank you—for seeing what was possible when others could not.

Her legacy lives on in every single life that she touched, in every patient and provider she empowered, and in each of us who now get to carry her torch forward. Julie loved this planet, its beauty and all of the lovely people that inhabit it together. That sentiment has truly shown in all that she had done from developing programs to implementing them. There is never going to be a replacement for Mrs. Julie Creel's influence, ever, but she would challenge everyone to try and do their very best doing so even if they're falling short.

Preceded By:

Julie is preceded in death by:

- Stephen W. Solovieff (Father)
- Janet L. Peterson-Solovieff (Mother)
- Paul G. Solovieff (Uncle)

Survived By:

Julie is lovingly survived and missed by:

- Her husband, James B. Creel
- Her sons, Hunter Rackley (Kali), Connor Rackley (Shelby) and Thomas Creel
- Her daughter, Julie Creel (Shaun)
- Her four cherished grandchildren
- Her siblings, David Solovieff (Ash-Lee) and Laura Marcucci (Kenny)
- Her cousins, Steve and Joan Blaser
- Her favorite aunt, Merle Peterson
- Her favorite neice, Christa Solovieff
- Her spiritual family, Michael Tanaka, Maya Stout, Jason Greninger, Sylvia Diaz, Jon Rothberg, James Garvey, Alyssa Vidal, Steve Morgan, Verna Sparling, Wayne & Debbie G., Dawn, Gianna, Molly, and many-many more
- Her extended family, colleagues, collaborators, research partners, patients, students, and friends across the world

The family wishes to acknowledge the countless people whose lives that she touched, many of whom she definitely considered family even if they did not share her blood. Julie was all about the cultures and the communities that she served, and it showed in all that she did.

Don't Just Sit There and Talk About Doing it





When You Can Do It and Then Talk About it!

Order of Service

December 14, 2025 1PM - 3PM Celebration

Las Vegas Buddhist Sangha, Emceed by
Reverend John Mullins and Officiated By
Bishop Marvin Harada

Welcome & Orientation — Rev. John
Mullins

Opening Remarks — Bishop Harada

Chanting / Sutra Service — Led by Bishop
Harada

Incense Offering (Oshoko) — Presided by
Bishop Harada

Dharma Message — Bishop Harada

Video Tribute: Childhood Slideshow

Featured Tribute: Molly Sullivan — Eulogy +
"Wicked - For Good"

Remembrances & Readings — Cued by
Rev. John Mullins

Closing Chant / Blessing — Bishop Harada

Final Video Tribute (Closing)

Closing & Dismissal — Rev. John Mullins

The Order of Ceremony Subject to Change
Based on Readiness and Availability of the
Participants and Family

A KIND NOTE FROM HER LOVING HUSBAND,

Thank you all for coming out today. I promised Julie that I would guard her legacy and her vision with the same vigor and ferocity that she poured into protecting patients. So let me speak plainly, in a way that would make Nurse Juhlzie smirk and nod her head.

Our favorite party girl has crossed over and is absolutely having the time of her life at the afterlife party in the sky. If you listen closely, you can almost hear her laughing at all of us for crying for too long and not dancing enough.

Julie lived her life being the change instead of waiting for someone else to step up. She fought for patients when it was unpopular, inconvenient, and when it was downright dangerous to do so. She was willing to stand on the front lines, alone if necessary, to call out hypocrisy, to push back on broken systems, and to lock eyes with anyone who dared to profit off of people's pain.

So yes, let's send Nurse Juhlzie off in a classy, sassy and joyful style: Dance.

Let's celebrate every wild laugh, every late-night brainstorm, every patient's life whose outcomes she changed just by refusing to accept "no" as the final answer. Rest in Power, Queen Juhlzie.

When Your Joy Comes A Knocking, Remember





Queen Nurse Juhlzie Was Always Rocking!

And as for the wolves—the various people and systems that have harmed patients, silenced truth, or stood in the way of real healing modalities—just know this:

Almost ALL of her organizations are very much still here, many of which are under the same leadership that she started them with. We are all still watching. And we are still fighting. Nurse Juhlzie's voice will not be silenced even in death so watch ya'self.

Julie would want us to celebrate every one of her friends and family who showed up in unity, love and service to humanity, and to hold accountable anyone and every one who stood in the way of patients' rights, wellness, fairness, and compassion. She taught us that the battlefield isn't only in courtrooms or statehouses; it's in hospital rooms, exam rooms, research laboratories and kitchen tables where real people are merely trying to survive for another day.

Fact: We will see each and every one of you on the proverbial battlefield—whether that's in public policy, healthcare, clinical research, or in community organizing.

If you are here today, reading this, you are now officially on notice: You are part of her legacy and have nothing but opportunities to be the change that we all need to see.

So in the spirit of my wife, my partner, my favorite troublemaker and my favorite little healer: "Now, get up and go do something, will ya?!?"

With all my love, and all her fire, be well
– James B. Creel, her loving husband



A powerful woman in every sense, Nurse Juhlzie was the epitome of class and sass—always standing up for what was right and having fun while she did it.

In true Nurse Juhlzie fashion, her legacy lives on in every organization that she helped create, foster, steer, or empower. From WECAN to the Integrative Providers Association (IPA) and countless efforts in between, her mark is indelible. Much of her work is still ahead of its time; as future generations of patients and providers step into integrative healthcare, they will find her teachings waiting—ready to educate, empower, and unite them around compassion, equity, and yes, oceans and oceans of joy. Don't mourn our loss, let her inspire you to step up and be the change.

As the Board President of the Compassion Center, the oldest federally-recognized nonprofit medical cannabis clinic management system in the United States, Nurse Juhlzie expanded the organization's footprint more than 18 states. Under her leadership, Compassion Center championed a higher standard of care and more affordable access to clinicians, nurses and practitioners ensuring patients received exactly what they needed, when they needed it—without typical excuses and without unnecessary barriers.

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It should be no surprise that Nurse Juhlzie's influence spans the globe and that she has made a positive impact on lives that don't even know who she was, but she took great pride in uplifting underserved people and often did so quietly so that she maintained 'elements of surprise.' In the photo above, Jon Rothberg, her brother from another mother, right hand and collaborator helps distribute food to entire villages in Isiolo, Kenya, and is actively incubating similar programs in Lesotho.

Nurse Juhlzie's research institutes, her healthcare and food security programs and her clinical practicum sites are all actively redirecting critical outcomes for multiple underserved global populations, while maintaining alignment with their local cultures and her intentions to implement programs that bridge those communities with solutions.

In lieu of flowers, her families ask that you scan the QR code to the right and donate to her fund as it will help continue many of her passion projects and will lead towards creating sustainable revenue. 100% of all funds donated to CPR's Julie Monteiro Legacy Fund are tax-deductible, and shall be used exclusively to carry out Julie's intended missions.



A CALL TO ACTION:

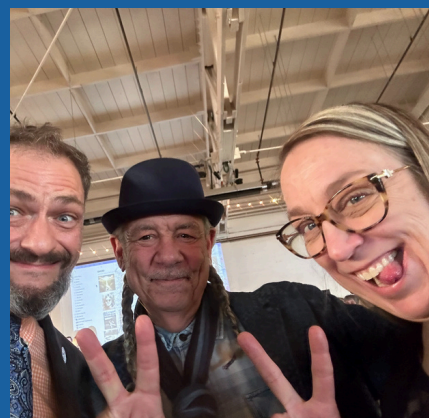
When you hear someone speak loudly about non-partisan social concerns—like access to qualified, affordable, and accessible mental health care, health care, integrative healthcare, medical cannabis, patient rights, and/or food security—just listen. Use your best judgment to understand their situation from the outset, before forming any opinion. You have no idea what they're carrying or what they're facing on daily bases, so please be compassionate.

Please remember: Not all disabilities are visible to the naked eye. Please be patient and compassionate with your brothers and sisters. We are all one.

Take care of yourself, too. Self-care is the best care, and our heart health is essential to a long life. Pay attention to your feet and legs; if you notice any unexplained swelling, please talk to a healthcare professional promptly, as it can be a sign of heart failure or another serious condition. Be well, our friends!



When You Love, Love Others Unconditionally!



A SPECIAL THANKS...

The families of Nurse Juhlzie and her executive consort wish to thank the following individual superstars and organizations as they have made the grieving and celebration of life process just that much easier for all of us.

While this list is not "all-inclusive" by any means, the following individuals, entities and projects have stood out from the rest and deserve a shout out for being the superstars that they are!

Michael Boris, Bob Olson, Sophaur One, James Garvey, Alyssa Vidal, Anthony D, Sarah and Jake (Jill) Schwefel, Vicki H, Jon Rothberg, Michael (Cathy) Tanaka, Maya Stout, Molly S, Debbie and Wayne, Gianna, Dawn, Jason, Andrew, Mark and Toni Watroba, Rick Brown, Carina R., Dr. Scott and Ren Jacobson, Steve M., John Mulls Meats and Road Kill Grill, Jessica Bryant and Clark County Parks and Recreation, Paradise Recreation Center, Clark County NV Commission Chairman Tick Segerblom, Clark County Board of Commissioners, Compassion Center, Coalition for Patient Rights, Integrative Providers Association and Buddhist Churches of America (BCA).

Be The Change That We All Need To See!





As we bring this public celebration of life to a conclusion, remember that you too can easily reconnect with Nurse Juhlzie's spirit and be a real part of Nurse Juhlzie's legacy by getting involved with the National Coalition for Patient Rights (CPR), Compassion Center, the Integrative Providers Association (IPA), the Buddhist Churches of America and/or the Buddhist Women's Association (BWA) and making your mark on the local community that you love. There is no reason that everyone can't get up and do their own parts to make the world a better place or implement a positive measurable impact, and Nurse Juhlzie would tell you "Now, get up and go do something, will ya?!?".

To learn more about Nurse Juhlzie and the National Coalition for Patient Rights, please visit her memorial page, and explore freely at:

www.CoalitionForPatientRights.org/Julie-Monteiro

To purchase a hard copy of this program and obtain your very own numbered Freedom Leaf Pendant, designed by Nurse Juhlzie herself, please visit:

www.Compassion-Center.org/Freedom-Leaf-Memorial

To learn more about the Compassion Center and Nurse Juhlzie's works, please visit:

www.Compassion-Center.org

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