



## Shaida Ziari vom Eigen

January 9, 1973 - February 10, 2019

Dr. Shaida Ziari vom Eigen, age 46, of Austin passed on Sunday, February 10, 2019 after a long battle with cancer.

Shaida was born to Manouch and Fouzi Ziari on January 9, 1973. She moved to the United States from Babol, Iran with her family in 1979 fleeing religious persecution as Iranian Bahai's. She moved to Round Rock in 1980. After graduating from Round Rock High School, she attended Texas A&M University. She obtained her medical degree from University of Texas Health Science Center- San Antonio and completed her pediatric residency at University of Texas Houston Medical School.

Shaida moved back to Austin in 2006. She has been a pediatric hospitalist for the last 12 years, initially with South Austin Medical Center and then with Dell Children's Medical Center since 2008. She took great pride in caring for her patients and their families and also training young doctors to do the same. She was well known for demanding perfect patient presentations during her rounds.

Shaida married Aaron vom Eigen on April 24th, 2009. They have 3 children: Zarrin Alexandra and twins Taj Gregory and Matin Cyrus. She is also survived by her brother Sean Ziari and sister in law Alison and 3 nieces: Audrey Mojdeh, Emma Marjan and Grace Laila Ziari. She also has countless

extended family in the Austin area, in Iran and across the world.

Shaída loved being connected to people. She had a strong network of friends, both physical and online. She was active in many social groups: mommies of girls, mommies at Doss Elementary, mommies with twins, mommies of toddlers with diabetes, women physicians, women pediatricians, and women physicians with cancer.

There are many things all of us remember about Shaída. She loved being an Austinite: the food, the music and the weird vibe. She loved to travel; she visited more than 8 countries and was fluently trilingual. Many of Shaída's friends know that she was a trivia master, makeup goddess and a fashionista.

By far, the love of her life was her children. They know that, too. In recent days, when a dear friend offered to make her famous morning glory muffins, Taj spoke up and said, "Don't forget the love!" She and Zarrin enjoyed cuddling while binge watching baking shows while Matin bounced happily around them on the bed.

Shaída will remain in the hearts of the hundreds of people she loved sharing her life with.

Services will be held on Wednesday, February 13, 2019 at Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center at 11:45 A.M. Reception to follow.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

FEB **13**. 11:45 AM - 3:30 PM (CT)

Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center  
4801 La Crosse Ave.  
Austin, TX 78739

# Tribute Wall



“ *Shaida Ziari vom Eigen*

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October 14, 2022 at 12:02 PM



“ *When I was a third year medical student, I rounded with Dr. vom Eigen and remember thinking to myself "Wow, I want to be her when I grow up". She was a compassionate, brilliant physician and dedicated teacher. I ended up becoming a pediatric hospitalist and often think back about my role models and how I got to this point in my career. I couldn't have done it without Dr. vom Eigen. She will be dearly missed.*

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**Lucy Schram** - August 19, 2021 at 04:57 PM



“ I did not know Shaida well. The first time I met her was when our 1 year old at the time was in the ICU at Dell Medical and Shaida was her doctor. Shaida was awesome and doctored our daughter back to health lovingly and understandingly make us worried parents calm, which I am sure she did for countless other children. I am so thankful to her professional skills in this matter as they had a huge impact on our lives.

*It was not until now seeing all the sweet words that were said about Shaida that I realize I we had some many common friends and how integral she was in the community. She was someone who lit up the room and you knew she was special although she was reserved and did not try to gain attention. She was the type of person I wish I was around more.*

*My condolences to her family. She will be missed by the entire community.*

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**Josh Haggerty Behjat** - February 14, 2019 at 09:56 AM



“ Amiga,  
Spring is nearly here.  
You have just left us, as the first flowers begin to bloom in Texas. It is hard to acknowledge the loss of your light.  
Your life has been powered by love, beauty, your dedication as a healer, a doctor, as a mom, and as a decent human being. Your love is being rooted in live oak trees as the clouds in Central Texas drip tears, the earth contemplating our collective loss. You have gifted life and strength. We prepare to grow branches to lift your love, your family, your life and your presence in the here and now. I treasure your strength, your force, your intelligence, and kindness.  
Above all else, I wish you and your family peace.

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**Faye Kolly** - February 12, 2019 at 11:35 PM

KP

“ We will all miss such a beautiful soul.



Kaylin Elane Pratt - February 12, 2019 at 04:53 PM

LN

“ I remember being in the hospital at my time of diagnosis with diabetes, Shaida was doing her rounds and she saw that I was admitted. She came to my room and said, “why didn’t you tell me you were here?!”. Throughout my stay, she would come and visit me and enlighten us with her contagious smile. Just a small example of what a selfless and giving person she was. I hope her soul is finding peace and healing on this new journey.

leila nekooi - February 11, 2019 at 08:21 PM

JK

I knew her when we were very young. She was kind and lively during a very awkward time in my life. I have thought of her often throughout life and now, hope she is in peace. Never forgotten.

jennifer kristie - February 11, 2019 at 10:12 PM

LE

I love Shaida and her entire family, I have known them since she was a child. May she soar through the world’s of God. God bless her, her family and her friends. Lee Lewis

Lee - February 11, 2019 at 10:33 PM

 Patricia Zarate

I will miss her dearly, beautiful person, no many doctors like her. She was caring, genuine, way to many qualities to mention. I prey her family finds peace and resignation.

Patricia Zarate - February 15, 2019 at 09:19 PM