



Leslie Palace

April 25, 1951 - August 9, 2025

Leslie Janet Palace passed away peacefully on August 9, 2025, in Stuart, Florida, surrounded by her husband and family, following complications from Alzheimer's. She was 74.

Leslie was a woman of exceptional beauty, kindness, and determined spirit. Born in Topeka, Kansas, she was the eldest daughter of the late Wayne and Korean Warner. She married Thomas "Tom" Palace in 1978, and together they built a life rooted in family, community, faith, and enduring friendships.

After graduating from Topeka High School in 1969, Leslie attended Washburn University. An accomplished equestrian and avid snow skier, she was also deeply committed to her community. She served on the boards of the Boys and Girls Club and the Sertoma Club of Topeka.

Leslie worked for more than 30 years in the classified advertising department of the Topeka Capital-Journal, where she became the Advertising Manager. She later joined Jones Huyett Partners, an advertising agency, where she retired in 2015. In recognition of her dedication to her profession, she was named Sales and Marketing Executive of the Year in 2014.

Leslie enjoyed the outdoors and loved playing golf with her ladies' group, LEGGS. She was passionate about Kansas sunsets, capturing as many

photos as she could, and had a fondness for the Weather Channel. Above all, she loved cheering on her children at their sporting events and was often found with a camera in hand, recording every game.

Leslie is survived by her loving husband of 47 years; their two sons, Adam and Justin (Taylor); and their beloved grandchildren, Warner, Mason, Cohen, Ren, and West. She is also survived by her sister, Beverly (Rick) Young, and numerous relatives and close friends.

A memorial Mass will be celebrated at 10:30 a.m. CST on Tuesday, September 16th, 2025, at Mother Teresa of Calcutta Catholic Church in Topeka, Kansas.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorial contributions be made to the Council on Aging of Martin County, Inc., 900 SE Salerno Road, Stuart, FL 34997.

Previous Events

Memorial Mass

SEP **16.** 10:30 AM (CT)

Mother Teresa of Calcutta Catholic Church
2014 NW 46th Street
Topeka, KS 66618

Tribute Wall

RC

“ *Leslie was beautiful and so fun. A great Boss. We worked together for several years. She was inspirational. My prayers go out to her family whom she dearly loved.*

Riki Cobler



Riki Cobler - September 20, 2025 at 10:14 AM

BH

“ *Tom, so sorry to read of your loss. It's been a while since we worked together, but I still think of you from time to time. I hope you still have your big smile and that great laugh that I remember. Bob Hannibal*

Bob Hannibal - September 09, 2025 at 04:42 PM

CG

“ *Tom and family, so sorry for your loss. Bob & Cindy Garhan*

Cynthia Garhan - September 09, 2025 at 01:40 AM

PS

“ I was saddened to hear of Leslie's passing. Although I was in class with Bev, I remember spending time with both Leslie & Bev and hanging out around their home when we were younger. Leslie always had an infectious laugh and a great smile. I was always jealous of her beautiful blonde hair. She was always fun to be around.

I would often see her at Seaman where her sons and our daughters attended school, or at golf tournaments when she & Tom were in tournaments and I was there as a spectator for my husband. I always enjoyed visiting and catching up with her.

I am keeping Tom and their sons and Bev and her family in my thoughts and prayers.

Pam Solis

Pamela Solis - September 06, 2025 at 06:04 PM

JA

“ Tom and family,
Sorry to hear of Leslie's passing. May your memories bring you comfort and peace.

Janet Kraus

JANET - September 04, 2025 at 09:03 PM

MF

“ I'm so sorry to read of Leslie's passing. I first knew her from Topeka High, and then our paths crossed again as she called on our business, Ed Marling's, for many years. She was as beautiful inside as she was on the outside. She was always so chipper when she called on us. It was a blessing to hear her come into the office. She was so excited about moving to Florida. Lifting you all up in prayer as you go through life without Leslie. May your memories sustain you always.

Mary Marling Franzen - September 04, 2025 at 11:17 AM

ER

“ Tom and family ; Condolences to the entire family. May her spirit live on in the lives she touched. Prayers and Peace

Emil Ramirez - August 20, 2025 at 03:00 PM

NA

“ We are deeply sorry for your loss. Such a devastating disease that takes the life of loved ones way too early. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

Nancy Alexander - August 20, 2025 at 08:01 AM

NV

“ I spent a lot of time with Leslie and sister, Bev. Leslie laughed often, and she was always ready for a fun time. I watched her ride horses, at the Mid America Fair, back in the day. She was a good listener and had many close friends. She was addicted to a certain brand of lip moisturizer, and always had a bright smile. Since she was a year older, Beverly and I learned the facts of life from her, and Bev was mad at her for at least a year, because she shaved her legs, first. Leslie loved animals and music she was the older sister I never had. She was smart and had a great sense of humor❤️❤️❤️ She will be missed by many.....

Nancy Shuart Vega - August 19, 2025 at 04:29 PM

GC

“ Thoughts & prayers.
Jack & Gail Carlson

Gail Carlson - August 16, 2025 at 03:48 PM

LH

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with you Tom and family. 🙏*
Larry Herbers

Larry Herbers - August 16, 2025 at 12:45 PM



“ *Leslie was a sweet and friendly lady.*
Condolences to the family.
RIP 🙏

Jim Toomay - August 15, 2025 at 12:34 PM

PC

“ *I'm very sorry to hear of Leslie's passing. She was always kind and friendly and she will be missed by many. May she RIP.*

Peggy Criqui - August 15, 2025 at 12:27 PM

PW

“ *I want to express my deepest sorrow in your loss. It's a difficult disease to deal with. Prayers to the family.*

Paulette Williamson - August 15, 2025 at 10:50 AM

KK

“ *My sincere condolences to the family*

Kevin Krug - August 15, 2025 at 10:14 AM