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It has been very difficult to write anything about my daughter as I break down uncontrollably, however, I want to tell her story in hopes no other young adult will have their life senselessly taken from them. A life which impacts countless people and our lives are never the same.

Jessica Anne May was an extremely sensitive and outgoing child, full of life and always wanting to participate in everything. She excelled in school, but had some physical setbacks that were not diagnosed until later in life. She became overweight in her later school years and her weight would fluctuate, however, in high school she lost control of her weight. She discovered some weight control meds and also went on a liquid diet. Jessica had many friends and her weight never stopped anyone from loving her as a person except, you guessed it, dating. She also became very anxious in social settings about, will that chair fit me, will I fit on the roller coaster and what will I do if I don't. Her younger sister was the opposite, she was trim and no weight issues, however, much shyer. They both had a bond that was as strong as any two people can have. They were 3 years apart but shared so much of their secrets and lives together.

Jessica's weight became unmanageable and she decided to have the gastric by-pass and pursued it with a vengeance. She had the surgery, had a leak and was rushed back in to have the surgery re-done. The set-back was devastating, but she lost the weight. This was 1987 and she later had skin 3 reduction surgeries. I believe no one could have walked through what Jessica did. She was set-backs along the way and had a tonsillectomy in 2016, which is grueling. Somewhere along the way, in Jessica's counseling to deal with these physical and psychological issues, Jessica had a variety of prescriptions which included Xanax and Percocet. She also used antidepressants, but seemed to have everything under control.

Jessica went to Golden West Cosmetology School and became a talented Cosmetologist working in a top-notch salon, Carlton Hair. She was absolutely the most beautiful woman and had an absolute heart of gold. Jessica gave of herself, had many friends had a great social life and had it all. But the surgeries....

They were a set-back and introduced these pain pills. Jessica left Carlton Hair as it closed the salon and was doing hair on her own, working as a nanny and going to college at Orange Coast Community College (OCC). She was very busy and the hair salon proved to be physically taxing. She continued school and work and started hanging around with this woman who was a client of hers. This woman had a boyfriend. I did not like either of them. This boyfriend evidently was a drug dealer. Jessica's sister had her second baby on February 10th and on February 15th, 2020, this drug dealer left one pill in the mailbox at 2:00 in the morning 2/15/2020. I went into Jessica's room and now have PTSD. My beloved Jessica. My strong, beautiful, loving daughter. Age 32 and she was gone. I will never forget her on the floor and her back was motionless. It is absolutely horrific and there are no words. Jessica was loved by so many for her selfless and warm personality, always willing to listen and counsel a friend. She was a courageous and incredible woman.... murdered. Toxicology, Fentanyl. 100% fentanyl. Enough to kill 10 people.

She would always say, Mom, you are never going to have to worry about growing old. I am going to be there for you as you have always been for me Mom. I'll love you for always I'll like you forever, as long as forever, my baby/mommy you'll be. Her Sister, Jessica and I had a bond that was indescribable. We are so devastated, but her loving younger sister, who married in 2018, had 2 beautiful nieces, who were the sunshine of Jessica's life. We were going to visit the new baby on the day Jessica was killed. Gone.

