



## **IN TRIBUTE TO MY SISTER, CHRISTINA LANZONI**

Ten days ago, my beloved younger sister Christina passed away at the age of 48, after a prolonged battle with cancer. The sense of loss and grief our family is experiencing is beyond words. My deepest thanks to the many people who have reached out to me to express their condolences. Your support and kindness means a lot during this difficult time.

My special thanks also to the doctors, nurses and staff at University General Hospital and at the Burzynski Clinic for their tireless efforts in prolonging my sister's life and easing her pain. I am not a physician and English is not my first language, but I do know what I saw with my own eyes. The facts are these:

- When I went to visit my sister in Italy in March, she was literally days away from dying from dehydration. Her Italian doctors recommended giving her a multivitamin and said she had only 2 weeks to live;
- I flew her out to my home in Los Angeles and made immediate arrangements for her to check in to the Burzynski Clinic in Houston;
- She arrived at the clinic in a wheelchair. Right away the clinic addressed her infection that was causing discomfort and pain, her dehydration and severe electrolyte abnormalities, and began the diagnostic process. She had her tissue analyzed. She harbored a unique gene signature. They tailored her medicines appropriately. Within 3 weeks, she went from wheelchair bound to exercising on a treadmill. Within approximately 6 weeks of treatment, an important biomarker of her disease called CA125 went from the 6000 range to the 3000 range. This signified improvement.;
- After the CA125 drop there was a setback. Due to her compromised immune system from prior therapies (27 rounds of chemo), she developed a major blood infection that thankfully was caught, saving her life, but forced her off treatment and back to a hospital. In fact, her last round of chemo was for sarcoma and not for ovarian cancer (This is the beauty of socialized medicine);

- Even though there was success in treating the cancer as indicated by her CA125 drop as well as radiological scans, she still complained of pain in her abdomen. At that point she was seen by a surgeon who performed a laparoscopic procedure;
- The procedure revealed that the treatment was working. Then she needed to be rehabilitated in order to prepare for another surgery to remove adhesions, scar tissue and fluid that had solidified;
- During the second surgery, the surgeon found a lot of solidified fluid, and to his surprise noted that she had virtually no small intestine left due to a botched surgery that had been performed in Italy;
- This explained her malnutrition. She could no longer properly absorb any food;
- The final surgery she had, completely relieved her from any pain and allowed her to be taken off pain medication.

My heart goes out to anyone who is, or knows someone who is, battling this horrible disease. I would strongly urge you to contact the Burzynski Clinic to see if their treatment program can help.

As for the so called doctors on the internet who discredit her treatment program, it seems shameless and irresponsible for you to offer any opinion without having met her, let alone having examined her first. Your actions do nothing to save lives or advance medical science. They are no more than simple marketing gimmicks and promotional tools. And that is something I do know a thing or two about.

Rest In Peace, Christina.

With all my love,

Fabio