

ter is named, was seven years old when she died of cancer in 1988. She was best friends with Marvin's youngest daughter, Amy, who is now 25. "Although they had only met in preschool, they just bonded," Marvin says. "Emily's mom knew after three bone marrow transplants that Emily did not have long to live, but she let her enjoy what life she had left. She and Amy played together and grew closer each day. Amy still has a picture of Emily on her nightstand."

Marvin said that the key to success in business and pleasure is "to be fully dedicated to whatever you're approaching." Although Marvin races by bike and kayak and he also skis, Pam is a triathlete and has completed the Hawaii Ironman three times. Marvin rides at least six days a week. He bikes the longer 42-mile scenic ride to work each day and the more direct 28-mile ride home. On weekends, he and Pam do longer training rides of 150 to 200 miles and have been doing extended 48- and 72-hour training rides to get ready for the Race

Across America.

Obviously, Marvin is a huge believer in exercise. "There is a connection between your physical and mental health," he says. "If you have physical difficulties, it affects the level of enthusiasm you have for life. If you're physically active, it helps your mental process and your mood." Everybody has hectic schedules, Marvin adds. "But anybody can make the time to work out. It's just like being a really good court reporter. It's time management. You can take a 200-page depo and scope and edit it in 10 hours, or you can learn to be more efficient with your software and do it in five hours. It's a life skill whether you're efficient at work or training."

So why isn't he a triathlete like Pam? Marvin laughs, "I don't get in the water."

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MEDIA WATCH

TWO MORE LAWSUITS FILED IN ATLANTA COURTHOUSE SHOOTING CASE

Two court administrators for Judge Rowland Barnes, who was killed during a courthouse shooting incident last March that left three others dead, including court reporter Julia Brandau, have filed lawsuits against Fulton County Sheriff Myron Freeman and several of his deputies. Both administrators were held as hostages at gunpoint during the incident. Brian Nichols has been charged in the shootings and is currently awaiting trial. Even though the court administrators, Susan Christy and Gina Clarke, are each seeking \$3 million in compensation for mental anguish following the event, their attorney has requested that a jury decide how much to compensate the women.

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MEMBER PROFILE



Name: Vicki Turner

Occupation: Agency owner, court reporter, CART provider, and captioner

Hometown: Los Angeles, Calif.

Member since: 1980

What do you love about being a court reporter?

This profession has given me incredible abundance. I cherish my friends, both in Las Vegas and around the world. I love the variety of opportunities available. In what other career can you caption a Broadway performance one day in New York and report Rod Stewart's testimony the following week in Las Vegas?

What has been the highlight of your career?

Each project or event I undertake has wonderfully memorable moments that fill my heart with joy. However, I was a part of one particular conference in New York that was a life-altering experience that I will forever cherish. I captioned Christopher Reeve speaking on "Living a Fearless Life." His words touched everyone's heart and put in perspective how our fears are our own creation, how our only limitations are self-imposed, and how so many people are afraid to try simply because they don't want to fail, including several doctors who were afraid to use new procedures on him.

Watching my captions of his heartfelt words appear beneath

the video image of this amazing man and feeling the warmth and energy of the 2,000-plus individuals in the audience was an incredible once-in-a-lifetime experience. Long after Mr. Reeve left the stage to a thunderous standing ovation, I stayed seated at my equipment, savoring and absorbing the essence of love and admiration that permeated the ballroom.

What are you currently reading?

I enjoy metaphysical books concerning energy and how our thoughts manifest into our reality. Two of my current favorites are *The Power of Intention* by Dr. Wayne Dyer (whom I have captioned several times) and an amazing book, *Ask and It Is Given — Learning to Manifest Your Desires* by Esther and Jerry Hicks. I do confess to reading the *National Enquirer*, too, during times my brain is on overload.

What words do you live by?

I live by three quotes. The first is from Christopher Reeve at the conference I mentioned. He said, "A hero is an ordinary individual who finds the strength to persevere and grow in spite of obstacles. Don't give up. Don't lose hope. Don't sell out."

The second quote is from Henry David Thoreau. "I went to the woods because I wished to live deliberately, to front only the essential facts of life, and see if I could not learn what it had to teach, and not, when I came to die, discover that I had not lived."

And finally, in the words of my mom, "This too shall pass."