



Loretta Marie Desimone

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After a protracted battle with cancer, Loretta Marie Desimone passed away at the age of 70 in her Lewes, DE at home on May 20, 2017. She leaves behind her devoted husband, Eugene “Gino” Desimone and scores of faithful friends and family.

Loretta was born in Trenton, New Jersey on July 20, 1946 to father, Humbert A. Durante and mother, Mary Durante, both of whom predeceased her. In 1990, she earned her master’s in education at Shippensburg University of Pennsylvania, which served her for 30 years as a transitional first-grade schoolteacher.

Loretta loved cooking and socializing with friends, and never missed a chance to turn any occasion into a party. Even if there was no party on the agenda, her energy and enthusiasm transformed every gathering into a friendly celebration, punctuated by her delicious recipes. Loretta took personal interest in whatever her friends had to say, and she had a special talent for making each and every person feel like they were the only one in the room. Friends could not leave her warm and welcoming home without feeling special.

Since her diagnosis in August, 2015, she remained strong and dedicated to fighting her illness. She and her sense of humor stayed with Gino and their friends far longer than predicted by doctors, and she remained upbeat, brave and positive for as long as she possibly could.

Loretta is survived by her siblings: Roberta Marino, Humbert Durante (Lorraine) and Patricia Wagner (Robert); along with many nieces and nephews and great nieces and nephews who will miss her dearly.

Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 11:00 AM on Monday, June 19, 2017 at St. Edmond Catholic Church, 409 King Charles Avenue, Rehoboth Beach, DE 19971, where friends may visit beginning at 10:00 AM.



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Loretta's husband, Gino would like to thank all of her friends, particularly her caregiver, Pam DiBiasco, and their dear friends Bob Ciprietti and Dan Desimone, both of whom provided never-ending support during Loretta's ordeal.

In lieu of flowers, friends and family may donate to the American Cancer Society at PO Box 163, Salisbury, MD 21803.

Please sign Loretta's online guestbook located on this site.

FLORIST NOTE: PLEASE HAVE ALL FLORAL ARRANGEMENTS DELIVERED BY 3PM, SUNDAY, JUNE 18, 2017 TO PARSELL FUNERAL HOMES, LEWES, DE.




Events


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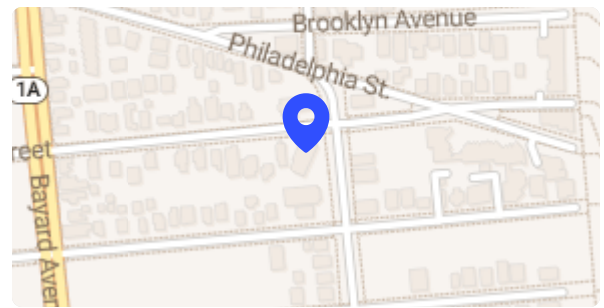
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Visitation


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 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM ET


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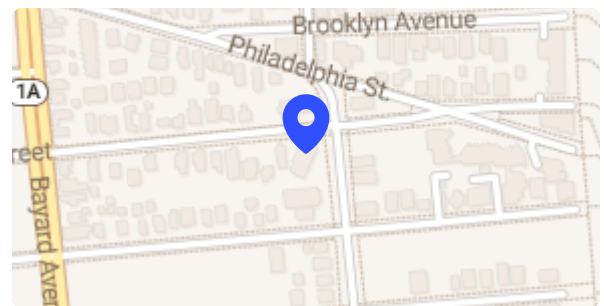


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JM

Julie Mumaw posted:

I have wonderful memories of Loretta as a friend/roommate at Shippensburg State College. She was a lot of fun and helped me adjust when my freshman roommate became ill and dropped out of school. I cared for her dearly enough to ask her to be my first child's Godmother. We met up for dinner in the summer of 1999. God bless you, Loretta, and may you rest in peace. Julie Mumaw (Remiszewski) Bath, Pennsylvania

November 22 at 5:17 AM

TL

Terri Leister posted:

It was sad for me when I learned Loretto lost her fight. I will always remember her as a little spitfire with a terrific sense of humor who could captivate me with her stories. Loretto and Gino were an amazing couple who made our summer visits comfortable and fun and Christmas dinners beautiful & elegant. Loretta had an inviting warmth about her that left you feeling special to her. She will be a great loss to those who knew her. I believe she is at peace and in a good place now...I will miss her, but will always remember her as someone I admired with great respect. Terri Leister

June 17 at 3:17 PM



Anonymous sent a Peaceful White Lilies Basket to the Desimone family.



June 17 at 12:59 PM

SH

Stephanie Hobbs posted:

Loretta was very special and her loss will be felt.

June 15 at 12:06 PM

LP

Lea Petitti posted:

Sweet Loretta always made me feel like family when I visited. Nothing was too much for her her love of life transcended to everyone she knew. I'm so sorry that I didn't make the drive down in the past two years but, then again, I remember Loretta as she was..beautiful in both looks and spirit. Lea

June 4 at 8:12 AM



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Lewis posted:

I am sorry for the family's loss. Please take comfort in the promise of the resurrection mentioned in the Bible at Isaiah 25:8.

May 24 at 8:43 AM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Loretta by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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