



Joyce Anne Gresco The Ultimate Volunteer

June 27, 1936 - December 1, 2018

Joyce A. Gresco, 82, passed away peacefully at home Saturday, December 1, 2018 with her husband Daniel by her side.

Joyce was born in Garwood, New Jersey on June 27, 1936 along with her twin brother Joseph. Joyce was predeceased by her parents Marian (Brittian) and Joseph Esposito and her brother Joseph.

Joyce is survived by her loving husband of 60 years, Daniel Gresco, as well as her daughter Lisa Anne Fitzgerald, her husband Richard and their children Matthew, Katie, and Anne of Peach Tree City, Georgia. She is also survived by her son John Gresco and wife Kristan with children Patricia, Emily, Thomas, Andrew, Mary Kate, Grace and Daniel, all of Howell, New Jersey. Also surviving is Joyce's sister Marian Degrassi and her husband Al of Millsboro, Delaware, nephews Douglas and Rick and niece Cindy all of Pottsville, Pennsylvania.

After grammar school in Garwood, New Jersey, Joyce graduated from Jonathan Dayton Regional High School in Springfield, New Jersey in 1954.

During her career she worked seven years as an engineering secretary at Wadell Equipment Company followed by a twelve-year break to raise her loving family. She then continued her career as a guidance secretary at Union Catholic High School in South Plains, New Jersey until she retired and moved to Lewes, Delaware in 1999.

Joyce was an incessant volunteer serving others all of her life. She was president of the Clark, New Jersey PTA for many years. During her retirement she volunteered untold hours at the Beebe Medical Center gift shop in Lewes, generously offering her time as a buyer as well as manager and cashier. She also volunteered at the front desk of the Cape Henlopen Senior Center.

Joyce loved the beach "sea and sand", her flower gardens, and using her special talents

to decorate her home as a showplace for the various seasons and holidays. But most of all, she loved her husband Dan, her children, grandchildren and friends. Dios sea contigo, Joyce!

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Wednesday, December 12, 2018 at 11:00 AM at St. Edmond Catholic Church, 409 King Charles Avenue, Rehoboth Beach, DE 19971. Interment will be private.

Friends may call on Tuesday, December 11, 2018 from 3:00 PM to 6:00 PM at the Parsell Funeral Home and Crematorium, Atkins-Lodge Chapel, 16961 Kings Highway, Lewes DE 19958.

In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made to St. Edmunds Catholic Church, 409 King Charles Avenue, Rehoboth DE 19971 or Delaware Hospice, 100 Patriots Way, Milford, DE 19963.

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

FLORIST NOTE: PLEASE HAVE ALL FLORAL ARRANGEMENTS DELIVERED BY 11 AM, TUESDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2018 TO PARSELL FUNERAL HOMES, LEWES, DE.

Events

DEC 11 **Viewing** 03:00PM - 06:00PM

Parsell Funeral Homes & Crematorium-Atkins-Lodge Chapel
16961 Kings Highway, Lewes, DE, US, 19958

DEC 12 **Mass of Christian Burial** 11:00AM

St. Edmond Catholic Church
409 King Charles Avenue, Rehoboth Beach, DE, US, 19971

Comments



“ Joyce, my dearest friend We shared so much in our many years of friendship. We shared everything laughs & tears. I was so happy to speak with you a few weeks ago & shared a laugh together. You will remain in my heart forever & I will cherish our memories always. You were a wonderful friend & beautiful human being. The love of your husband, children & grandchildren meant the world to you. I miss you & our long phone conversations. Rest in peace my friend. Jeannette

jeannette desimone - 5 hours ago



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Joyce Anne Gresco The Ultimate Volunteer.



December 10 at 03:58 PM



“ Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Joyce Anne Gresco The Ultimate Volunteer.



December 09 at 07:49 PM



“ In life, we encounter many people who impact our lives. Joyce was such a person for me and the other volunteers who worked in the Beebe Medical Center Gift shop. She was smart and talented and always saw the best in others. She will sorely be missed. My thoughts and prayers go out to Danny and all of the Gresco family. God Bless!

Mike Clemmer

Mike Clemmer - December 08 at 03:23 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Joyce Anne Gresco The Ultimate Volunteer.



December 07 at 01:51 PM



“ May you rest in peace, and be lifted higher in heaven by our prayers for you and your family.

Steve Rose

Back Bay Strummer and fellow member of St. Edmonds Catholic Church.

Steve Rose - December 07 at 10:42 AM



“ I volunteered with Joyce in the Beebe Auxiliary. She was one of the first friends I made in the Auxiliary, and she took me under her wing. I appreciated it so much. Joyce was a wonderful volunteer and tireless worker for the Auxiliary. God Bless her and the world is a better place for having had Joyce in it.

Nancy Tartaglione

Nancy Tartaglione - December 07 at 09:10 AM



“ I have so many special memories of Joyce, and truly enjoyed her gift of sharing wisdom and advice as I was raising my children. We had many good times together at Bunko, and neighborhood activities. One of my fondest memories was taking a walk with Joyce and Danny around Gosling Creek, and the two of them sharing the story of how they met and fell in love. Joyce was a wonderful neighbor, and friend and I will miss her dearly.

Sincerely, Kathy Shook

Kathy Shook - December 07 at 08:18 AM



“ I did not know Joyce personally; however, I know that her husband Dan loved her very much. He would always talk about the good times that he and Joyce shared. From his description of her I got the impression that she was a very special lady and very much devoted to her family. I am saddened to hear of her passing and I offer my most sincere condolences to the entire family. May the Lord bless all of you during this difficult time.

Sincerely, Carole Wolek

Carole Wolek - December 07 at 12:24 AM



“ Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Joyce Anne Gresco The Ultimate Volunteer.



December 06 at 07:52 PM



“ Glorious Memories Garland was purchased for the family of Joyce Anne Gresco The Ultimate Volunteer.



December 06 at 07:48 PM



“ Remembering our last happy weekend visit with Joyce and Danny in Annapolis. Our speeding boat ride on the Annapolis bay Tim at the helm, Dick and Danny sharing stories about Clark NJ. Most of all I recall Joyce and Danny on their wedding day as they left St. Ann's Garwood in a shower of rice. God bless you Joyce!

Cousins Gaye and Dick Fleischer Williamsburg VA.

Cousins, Gaye and Dick Fleischer - December 06 at 03:42 PM



“ Along with other Gosling neighbors, I have walked many miles with Joyce over our years in Gosling Creek. We met at the corner on weekday mornings and as we walked we solved the problems of the world! We shared hopes and dreams, joys and sorrows. We shared recipes, family news, shopping tips and health concerns. We gave each other advice, laughed, and had fun together. Joyce was my friend...and I will miss her!
Charlotte

Charlotte Hughes - December 06 at 06:22 AM



“ We want to express our deepest sympathy to Danny and family! We have so many memories of good times with Joyce - and will always remember her friendship and the twinkle in her eye!
Bill and Charlotte Hughes

Bill and Charlotte Hughes - December 05 at 06:09 PM



“ You'll be missed at Beebe...Everyone loved seeing you around the hospital. Always smiling. You were a special lady and you will be remembered fondly.

Marcia Dunn Radiology - December 05 at 08:38 AM



“ Oh, Joyce..I didn't realize that the last time I saw you would be the last time I saw you.

I am forever thankful for the special group of Bunko women that took me in as their own when we moved here. You all made my transition to a new state easier. I always look forward to Bunko, and to seeing you. I love your sense of humor and how you could always make me smile. You are a special lady, and we are all better for having known you.

I will not say goodbye, but see you later....

Philomena

Philomena Kline - December 05 at 07:44 AM



“ Joyce, I will miss that smile, that Jersey accent, rest n peace.

linda dahl - December 04 at 09:38 PM



“ Nana always had a pot of coffee on and taught me that a day without coffee is like a day without sunshine. I am now addicted to coffee just like her. I'll always cherish the shopping sprees she took me on especially to the outlets in Rehoboth Beach and when she drove me all over Delaware to find the perfect bedspread for my freshman year dorm. I always loved her mustang and her red shoes of course!!

Tricia Gresco - December 04 at 09:37 PM



“ Dear Uncle Danny, Lisa, John and their families and my Mom. I am so sorry for your loss especially at this time of year. Aunt Joyce was a wonderful lady. I have so many fond memories of her and the house in Clark NJ. I think my favorite memory is the discussion we had about me not being allowed to have 1/2 a Peanut butter and Jelly and 1/2 liver wurst sandwich for lunch. I won, and got what I wanted that afternoon. Be at peace Aunt Joyce, with your parents and Brother Joe. (((HUGS))) to you all from me Cindy

Cynthia Degrassi Campion - December 04 at 09:01 PM



“ Joyce will be missed by all of her friends and neighbors who enjoyed her company and humor and kindness, caring and thoughtfulness to everyone. She was always willing to help anyone needing attention. We were truly blessed having her as a neighbor for so many years. Della and Dan D;Agostino

Dan & Della D'Agostino - December 04 at 08:37 PM



“ John Gresco lit a candle in memory of Joyce Anne Gresco The Ultimate Volunteer



john gresco - December 04 at 07:23 PM