



Sandra Y. Ganski

October 26, 1945 - July 2, 2020

Sandra Y. Ganski, age 74 of Lewes, DE, passed away on Thursday, July 2, 2020 at Beebe Healthcare in Lewes. She was born on October 26, 1945 in Philadelphia, PA, daughter of the late Charles and Rita (Grandelli) Castellano.

Ms. Ganski graduated from St. Maria Goretti Catholic High School in Philadelphia. Following graduation, she built a respected career as a Human Resource Specialist for the National Park Service. Ms. Ganski had many, varied interests. She enjoyed music and dancing and never passed up an opportunity to socialize with friends. Her home was an example of her talent as a decorator, and she found much joy in making it beautiful. Above all, Ms. Ganski cherished time spent with those she held most dear. She was a loving and devoted mother, grandmother, sister, aunt, and friend who was loved by many and will be deeply missed by all who knew her.

Ms. Ganski is survived by her daughter, Jennifer Fosco (Peter); her grandchildren: Julianna Fosco and Roman Fosco; her brother, Michael Castellano; her sister, Rosemary Pettinelli (John Sr.); her nephews: John Pettinelli Jr, Santino Pettinelli, Bernadino Pettinelli, and Vincenzo Pettinelli; and her nieces: Maria Pettinelli, Monique Donofrio, Nicolette Donofrio, and Gianna Donofrio.

A memorial service will be held at a later date.

Please sign the online guestbook located on the tribute page.

Comments



“ Just a few memories to show the love and happiness we shared together. My la familia, My aunt. My angel, I will forever hear.. morning glory... yoo hoo it's AUNT SON. I love you.. I miss you.



monique donofrio - July 13, 2020 at 11:31 PM



“ I will always hold the beautiful memories we made when you opened your home to me while i was on vacation your a kind and lovable woman who was forever opening your home to share n make wonderful memories you will be missed dearly RIP my beautiful cousin Sandra

Annette ruggiano walker - July 10, 2020 at 05:45 PM



“ We are so shocked and sad to have learned that Sandra passed away. She was a one of the kindest people I ever met. She loved to have or go to gatherings where people told their stories and shared in great food, sang, and danced. She always made you feel at home. Our sympathy goes out to Sandra's family, especially to Michael, as we had great times with the both of them. We would tease her a lot and she said that even with me picking on her, she loved the attention! She was one in a million. Our hearts are very sad at losing her and she will be greatly missed. May she rest in God's loving peace.

Warm condolences.

Michael Carroll

Kenny Warne

Michael Carroll & Ken Warne - July 10, 2020 at 08:58 AM



“ With deepest sympathies I keep Sandras family and friends in prayer. Prayers of comfort and Peace be with you all during this time of greiving. Sandra. May you Rest in Peace...your kind and beautiful smile will be missed....



Catherine Jarrett, Angola Beach and Esta - July 08, 2020 at 06:01 AM



“ Jenn and family I am so sorry to hear about Aunt Sandy's passing. She was such a wonderful, funny, caring and silly woman. I will always smile when I think of her and all of the fun she brought to the party. She was truly one of a kind and will always have a special place in my heart. May she rest with the angels and you all find comfort



Julie Schoettle - July 07, 2020 at 08:18 PM



“ Such a beautiful soul! Sandra was one of my longest and loyal client but she was so much more than that to me. She was my friend and I enjoyed every moment with her. I looked forward to her coming to get her hair done. She always listened to my life with sincerity and offered great advice.

I'm so sad as I was supposed to be seeing her tomorrow for her appointment
She will be missed so much! All my love to her family and friends

Meg Smith - July 07, 2020 at 07:45 PM



“ In my whole life, I never met ANYONE who enjoyed life more than my “Aunt” Sondra. She was always full of life, laughing and joking, and toasting with her friends and family. She was always planning her next adventure or celebration. Her many trips, hobbies and belly laughs will never be forgotten.

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How many fun times she shared with my parents and grandparents! And with beloved friends like Cecilia Casella, Maryann Zembrzuski, Sara Rickards Piccolo, Elaine Marino, David Datz, and Larry Scott. She now rejoins so many other friends that already passed away: Irene, Kelly, Susan, Mary, Kay, Lucy, and Barbara. As well as her parents, Charlie and Rita, and my grandparents, Adam and Susie.

She was my mom’s best friend of 60 years, was a bridesmaid in my parents’ wedding, and the “Fairy” Godmother to my baby brother. She became a chosen member of our family as we adopted her entire brood and they us. There was never anything she missed in our family life when I was growing up in South Philly. Later, when she retired to Lewes to be my parents’ next door neighbor, the fun and laughter continued.

Over the years, the funny stories certainly accumulated. One favorite of mine was after we had moved to Delaware, when she and “Aunt” Sara came next door to my parents’ home to have some wine with my mom and me. Afterwards, she needed to walk her daughter’s dog, Roxie, who she was dog sitting at the time. My boyfriend at the time and I thought it best to walk with them because, well ... she’d had some wine. LOL! As we walked, she kept commanding poor Roxie to, “Pee!” The problem was she didn’t stop long enough for the poor thing to get a chance to go. LOL! This continued for several stops on a chilly evening. Finally, she let out a very loud, “Will you just pee already!” And my boyfriend said, “Roxie, if you don’t go, I’m gonna!” The three of us laughed all the way home. That’s how I plan to think of her passing. She’s just laughing all the way home!

I love you Aunt Son. Our crazy memories and fun times will forever be in my heart. Especially, when I poof and scoop! LOL! Rest In Peace and kiss everyone for us!



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Susan M. Davis - July 07, 2020 at 06:29 PM



“ Too many typos. Read the other version.

Susan M. Davis - July 07, 2020 at 06:48 PM



“ When I was 10 years old, I used to stay at my Grandmother’s house in Opal Street often. I loved spending time at Aunt Sandys because when Jennifer wasn’t home, I could play with her cool teenage stuff (keyboard, microphone, etc...). One night Sandy asked Gram to send me over because she thought I might like to help her bake a broccoli pie. Well....30 min after we put it in the over, it exploded all over the oven and kitchen. We laughed and laughed. There was dough everywhere. Every time I would see her over the years I would bring it up and we’d laugh about it. ThAt was 36 years ago and probably my most favorite memory of Sandy. It always makes me smile. Broccoli pie forever! Love you Aunt Sandy.

Ann Zembrzuski Lipcsey - July 07, 2020 at 05:49 PM



“ Growing up with Aunt San was so much fun. She just had such a silly East and care free way about her. My favorite memory though was a couple years back when she got her first tattoo. She was telling me how she got one and I was telling her how much I wanted one. She turned and asked me if I wanted to see hers and she dropped her pants and showed me her rose tattoo on her butt. We laughed so hard. I miss her laugh. She was just an amazing person with a big heart. Keep smiling and laughing Aunt San.

Amy Kline - July 07, 2020 at 05:48 PM



“ Sandra made everyone, even strangers, comfortable in her presence. I thoroughly enjoyed our Christmas Eve dinners together each year in The Fosco’s home as well as many special events like family birthdays, confirmations, graduations, recitals, ... She will be sorely missed each and every day and especially during future gatherings. We will always have love in our hearts placed there by you, Sandra Ganski.

Marlayne Dundovich - July 07, 2020 at 05:03 PM



“ Every time I was with Sondra , laughter and fun was following behind her She was all SUNSHINE! You will be missed everyday by all who love you, and that’s a lot of love! Sondra please take care of your loved ones. As on earth,an angel you’ll always be

Donna Kupczak - July 07, 2020 at 04:59 PM



“ Jenn & family, I'm so sorry . Sandra was an amazing woman. Kind, funny caring I can keep going on . When I moved next door to her she made me feel so welcomed to the neighborhood . We became fast friends. The we spent on the deck drinking, laughing eating . When my mom died she was their for me. I always had her shoulder to lean on & just someone to talk to . Heaven got a great angel . I can see she sitting there with a glass of wine & with a group of people . RIP Sandra



joan gerretz - July 07, 2020 at 04:58 PM



“ In such a short period of time Christine & I learned to love Sandra. We met only as few years ago however we felt like we've known her for a lifetime. Sandra and her families genuine warmth generosity and character has been a Godsend to us when we moved here recently from N.Y. We couldn't have chosen better more welcoming wonderful friends.
Our hearts go out to all her loved ones she suddenly left behind particularly Jennifer ,Roe, Mike & John who loved her dearly. They can be comforted to know her love for them
and precious spirit will shine upon them as well as all of us forever.
May God rest her soul, and may she rest in peace.

Sincerely,

Jerry & Christine LaForgia



Jerry & Christine LaForgia - July 07, 2020 at 01:42 PM