



Joanne H. Fencik

January 14, 1954 - July 27, 2019

Joanne Fencik (nee Gruszczyński) passed away comfortably in her home on July 27th , 2019 surrounded by her family after a courageous battle with cancer.

Joanne was born January 14th, 1954 to parents Steven & Helen Gruszczyński in Jersey City, NJ. She attended local schools and was a Magna Cum Laude graduate of Pace University. She pursued a career in accounting. She was an active member of St. Michaels Byzantine Catholic Church of Passaic, NJ. She was most passionate about knitting, supporting the NY Yankees and UConn Women's Basketball team. A good chat at the grocery store was common to those who knew her. Her greatest accomplishment were her daughters and the love shared between them. A great sense of humor, an incredibly strong woman of faith, and a genuine heart is how many will remember her.

Survived by husband Michael (co-owner Varrelmann's Bakery), loving daughters Laura & Natalie, and grand dog Gus. Also survived by nieces, nephews, brothers & sisters in law, cousins and extended family. Family & friends are invited to gather in paying their respects at Ippolito-Stellato Funeral Home in Lyndhurst, NJ on Tuesday from 2-4PM & 6-9PM. Parastas service Tuesday at 7:30PM. Funeral service will take place at the funeral home on Wednesday at 10AM. Interment to follow at Holy Cross Cemetery, North Arlington.

Cemetery Details

Holy Cross Cemetery

340 Ridge Road
North Arlington, NJ 07031

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL **30**. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Ippolito-Stellato Funeral Home - Lyndhurst
425 Ridge Road
Lyndhurst, NJ 07071
<https://www.stellatofuneralhomes.com>

Visitation

JUL **30**. 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

Ippolito-Stellato Funeral Home - Lyndhurst
425 Ridge Road
Lyndhurst, NJ 07071
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Parastas

JUL **30**. 7:30 PM (ET)

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Service

JUL **31**. 10:00 AM (ET)

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Burial

JUL 31 (ET)

Holy Cross Cemetery
340 Ridge Road
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Tribute Wall

JK

“ Dear Michael,
My heart goes out to you and your girls with the passing of your wife and their mom! Never met Joanne but through you I feel that I knew her. She suffered much these past few years and she is now at peace!! Words can only be superficial but know that my heart and those of your fellow MHS classmates are experiencing your pain and anguish!! Remember and cherish the good times
Mike.....
Sincerely,

Joseph Kelly

joseph kelly - August 05, 2019 at 04:45 PM

RU

“ May you rest in peace



Ruth - July 31, 2019 at 08:48 PM

MJ

“ Our houses made us neighbors, our hearts made us friends. Rest in peace my friend.

mary ann johnson - July 30, 2019 at 05:53 PM



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Stellato Funeral Homes - July 30, 2019 at 12:27 PM

VF

“ Mike, Laura, Nat

I am heart broken with the loss of my Cousin and buddy. I lost my church buddy who never missed mass in any of the 3 churches she actively attended and supported. She was always first to volunteer to lend a hand, help a function or donate to a fundraiser to the many causes she supported, church, police, veterans, and anything her daughters were involved with. Her daughters were her life and source of her joy. She always participated lending her energy and enthusiasm. Especially with her super power, knitting and crocheting supplies craft fairs with ornaments, blankets, sweaters and the red beanie for heart transplant babies. I will miss my angel friend and hope she's saving me a seat next to her, in heaven. Vivien Sentipal Feinstein

Vivien Feinstein - July 30, 2019 at 09:32 AM

 Fran
Dyson
Maricich

“ Dear Michael, Laura and Natalie,

I had the pleasure of working with your wife and Mom for six years at Canon. We were all like a second family there and we loved to hear about her girls always. She loved you all more than words. My heart hurts that I didn't get to speak with her before she passed. But she will always be a part of my most fond memories. Blessings and love to you all xo Love Fran

Fran Dyson Maricich - July 30, 2019 at 01:42 AM

GG

“ Gina Giacomarro lit a candle in memory of Joanne H. Fencik



Gina Giacomarro - July 29, 2019 at 09:45 AM