

CYNTHIA "CINDY" ANN PUCCIARELLI



On April 21, 2024, after a long and courageous battle with cancer, Cynthia "Cindy" Ann Pucciarelli embraced with grace what was coming, and laid her head down to rest in eternal peace. Cindy was 72 years old and was surrounded by her adoring husband and her three loving children as they held her hands and walked with her to the edge of this earthly world.

Cindy was born on September 29, 1951, to Irene and Ramon Johnston. Having endured the tragedy of losing her mother at the tender age of 16, she found one of the greatest reasons to carry on when she met the absolute love of her life, Joseph "Joe" Pucciarelli. Cindy and Joe were married shortly after high school, then they started a business and a family together. They celebrated their 50th anniversary in June of 2022. Together they have three children: Irene (Oleg Kouskov), Tracy (Jason Borne), and Joe Jr. (Miki Inokuchi), and seven grandchildren: Roman, Eliana, Ivan, Daniella, Nadia, Adriano, and Nico.

As anyone would tell you, to know Cindy was to love her. She had a smile that invited everyone in and made them know they belonged. She had a hug that you just melt into, and like magic it would chase away all the worries and cares of the day. Even during her final battle with cancer, she never complained. She loved her life too much to even consider it. She found joy in the simple pleasures of life; the birds at her birdfeeder, a cup of coffee with her loved ones, laughing at all of Joe's jokes. Her greatest joy was no doubt her family. Her husband, who was her favorite person in the world, her children and their families that she loved so deeply with every part of her, and her husband's siblings, who she loved like her own. Cindy was pure love, pure kindness, pure light, and pure peace right here on earth, and there will be an enormous piece of our hearts missing until we are all united with her again someday. Until then, we will put everything that she taught us to work in our own lives. Because she taught us how to love. She taught us how to be kind. She taught us how to hope. She taught us how to believe. She taught us how, in the face of unimaginable loss, to endure. We are heartbroken, but in honor of her beautiful life, we will love. We will be kind. We will hope. We will believe. And together, we will endure. In lieu of flowers, we ask that you do these things, too.

We love you and miss you more than words could ever express. Until we meet again.

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