

DAVIA JEANNE VOYCE HERRERA



Davia Jeanne Voyce Herrera, age 78, of Castle Shannon, passed away suddenly on Sunday, July 28, 2024, just eight days before her 79th birthday. Born on August 5, 1945, in Johnstown, PA, to the late David J. Voyce and Gloria J. McAllister, Davia was a woman of boundless love, creativity, and generosity.

Davia was a graduate of Johnstown High School and enjoyed attending her class reunions over the years, maintaining a lifelong friendship with her dear friend, Mary Lou Thomas. She built a successful career as a Claims Adjuster Supervisor with 21st Century Insurance in Los Angeles, California, where she lived for more than 35 years, and raised her two beloved children, Brian and Jennifer.

She retired in 2006 after 22 years of dedicated service, a source of great pride as she was among the last to be promoted without a four-year college degree.

In 2006, Davia returned to Pittsburgh, PA, to be closer to her family, including her father David; her son Brian; and her siblings, Linda, Barbara, and Mark. Her love for her family was fierce and unwavering, and she cherished the time spent with them.

Davia was known for her insatiable creativity and passion for design. Her style was timeless, with a particular fondness for Art Deco and mid-century design, and she had a unique ability to create spaces that transported you to another era.

Her heart was open to all walks of life. She embraced diversity in thought, ideas, and cultural backgrounds, creating a vibrant and full life that reflected the beauty of this diversity. Davia's generosity knew no bounds, she gave of herself freely, whether through nurturing friendships that spanned decades, or hosting fantastic parties.

Davia was beyond proud of her children, Jennifer and Brian, though she often deflected credit for the role she played in their lives, saying, "God gave you two to me." She saw in them the qualities she admired, but didn't always see in herself. Her love for them was unconditional, and as she grew older, she began to recognize the impact she had on their lives.

Davia is predeceased by her dear parents, David J. Voyce and Gloria Jean McAllister; her niece Aimee Megargee; and brothers-in-law Bruce Hill and Norman Marshall.

She is survived by her loving children, Jennifer Herrera and Brian Herrera; her siblings, Linda (Harry) Gross, Barbara Hill, and Mark (Carol) Voyce; her nieces and nephews, Tracie Shannon, David (Jillian) Marshall, Joanna (Joel) Yonts, Jeffery (Jennifer) Salisbury; and nephew-in-law Michael Megargee; along with their children, whom Davia cherished dearly. She is also survived by her son-in-law, Ross DiSalvo III; the father of her children, Alfred P. Herrera; and her dear friends, Greta and Bruce Sievert, Tena Byerly, Tony Traugott, Linda Lester, Anna Bufkin, Phyllis and Tony Riggio, and Diane Hill.

Funeral arrangements are by **BEINHAUER FUNERAL HOME**. A celebration of life will be held for Davia on Friday, August 23, 2024, at 12:30 PM at Cloverleaf Estates West Clubhouse.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be donated to Women's Center & Shelter of Greater Pittsburgh:

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