

# PAMELA STERANKA NADDEO

1950 - 2024



With profound sorrow we announce the sudden and unexpected passing of Pamela Steranka Naddeo, a devoted wife, loving daughter, cherished sister, beloved aunt, godmother and loyal friend, who left us on December 3, 2024, at the age of 74, surrounded by her loving family.

Pam was born on March 19, 1950, in Chicago, Illinois, to the late Steve and Mary Ann Steranka. She was raised

and educated in Carnegie, Pennsylvania and graduated from La Roche College in Pittsburgh.

Pam's creativity and range of expertise was masterful and boundless. Beginning her career as an OR Technician at Passavant Hospital in Pittsburgh, she went on to be a surgical assistant, advancing to become Director of NuHart, a leader in hair loss and transplant surgery in Pittsburgh. She obtained her degree in Interior Design from La Roche University. Exploring a new hobby with her sister Mirl, she learned the art of cake decorating which led her to launch a home business both teaching aspiring cake decorators and creating hundreds of wedding and specialty cakes. Her love of gardening and flowers led her to graduate with a Master's of Floral Design from Hixson's School of Floral Design. Pam was part of the team of Hixson graduates who were invited to decorate the White House for Christmas! Later in life she earned the achievement of Master Gardner from Penn State. So many people enjoyed and admired Pam's unique talent in creating beautiful floral arrangements and stunning Christmas trees.

Throughout her life she had a tremendous work ethic but her family was always her priority. Pam's gift for spreading joy brought all of us together for memorable family reunions at her beloved home at Smith Mountain Lake in Virginia.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Jim Naddeo; her parents, Steve and Mary Ann Steranka; and her most beloved and cherished cat, MisterC. She is survived by her sisters, Patricia Kaufman (Tim), Marilyn Gordon (Lindsay); beloved niece and godchild, Kelley Kaufman; surrogate sisters, Kathi Hall and Pat Chorba; and favorite cousins, Bob Bogdon (Danielle) Jeannie Walker (Terry), Linda Jerick (Robin), Maureen Miller (Chris), Laura Jerick, Lorraine Jerick (Ed) and Cindy Lang (Dwayne).

As we bid farewell to our dearest Pam, we celebrate the life of a woman whose kindness and love touched everyone she met. She would not wish us to mourn her but to celebrate the happiness that we can bring to each other. Her life was a testament to her boundless love for her family and her appreciation for life's simple joys. Her infectious smile, laugh, and kindness left an indelible mark and our hope is that her memory fills your hearts with joy.

Pam, you left us unexpectedly and all that remains are precious memories. You will be missed by all who knew and loved you, and we will carry you in our hearts forever.

Visitation: Tuesday December 10, 2024, from 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. at Holy Trinity Ukrainian Catholic Church, 740 Washington Avenue, Carnegie, with a Mass of Christian Burial to follow at noon. Interment will immediately follow at Holy Trinity Cemetery, Ewing Rd. and Baldwin Rd. Extension, Collier Township.

To honor the love she held for her beloved MisterC and all animals, in lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to Franklin County Humane Society, PO Box 2118, Rocky Mount, VA 24151 or the one of your choice.

Arrangements entrusted to **VLADIMIR S. CORBA FUNERAL HOME**, Carnegie, PA.

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