

## MICHELLE S. FARKAS



In Loving Memory of  
Michelle S. Farkas

It is with deep sorrow that we announce the passing of Michelle S. Farkas on Tuesday, January 7, 2025. Michelle was the wife of Neal J. Farkas; and mother to Allison Farkas, Heather (Farkas) Giovengo and her husband Anthony. Michelle was the grandmother to Heather and Anthony's children, Nicholas, Samuel, and Juliana. She was

preceded in death by her parents, C. Harold Cholok and Charlotte Cholok. She is also leaving behind her faithful companion, Crosby (her dog); and survived by her brother, Alec Cholok. Michelle will be forever remembered for her unwavering dedication to her family, especially her beloved grandchildren, and for the profound impact she made in the lives of the many children she had the privilege to teach over her 30-year career. Her legacy will live on in the hearts of her family, friends, and students.

Michelle started her career at the Jewish Community Center in Squirrel Hill, when she met her husband Neal. Michelle and her husband Neal were married in Pittsburgh, PA, in 1973 before relocating to Sunnyvale, CA, where they settled and began their family, welcoming two daughters, Heather and Allison into their lives. The family then moved to Seal Beach, CA, where Michelle continued to build long-lasting friendships. After starting her family, she returned to school to earn her Master's degree at Cal State Long Beach, a milestone that led to her many years of dedicated teaching.

In 1985, Michelle and Neal, along with their daughters, moved to Nashua, NH, where Michelle once again surrounded herself with a supportive community of friends and co-workers. The family returned to Pittsburgh in 1987, where it all began, and where Michelle's memory will remain forever.

Michelle was a genuine, patient, kind, and loving woman. Anyone who had the privilege of knowing her could attest to her incredible warmth and generosity. She had a special gift for entertaining family and friends, and especially enjoyed being surrounded by her grandchildren.

Michelle's love and impact will never be forgotten. She has left a lasting mark on all of us, and we will miss her dearly.

Services at **RALPH SCHUGAR CHAPEL, INC.**, 5509 Centre Avenue, Shadyside, on Tuesday, January 14, 2025, at 12:30 PM. Visitation one hour prior to services (11:30 AM-12:30 PM). Interment National Cemetery of the Alleghenies.

There will be a celebration of life for Michelle held in her memory at a later date.

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