

ANITA LEAH MARSICO



Age 59, of Carnegie, died February 13, 2025, with her family by her side. She fought courageously against a late-diagnosed and exhausting battle with lung cancer. She was born February 3, 1966, to Loretta (Kozemchak) Marsico and Victor J. Marsico in Rochester, PA.

Anita was a graduate of Hempfield Area High School, Clarion University and the University of Pittsburgh. She also served as a former 1st Lieutenant with the 911 th Airlift Wing in Coraopolis, PA. She began work as a Special Education teacher before becoming an Art teacher. She retired from Montour School District.

Anita was an artist and a life-long learner. She loved to travel and spent extended time in Italy, immersing herself in the art, culture and language. She was a fervent Steelers fan and season ticket holder. Anita made the best of friends – animal and human – wherever she went.

Anita is survived by her mother, Loretta Marsico of Pittsburgh; sisters, Maria Marsico of Pittsburgh, Angela Marsico of Hendersonville, NC, Laura Marsico (Mark Loebach) of Pittsburgh; nephew, Sean O'Dell of Carnegie; niece, Sophia Beck of Hendersonville, NC; her beloved princess cat, Iris; her puppy nibblings, Baccini and Harry; her kitty nibblings, Lia, Spanky Charleston, Anchovy and Sherman Putty; and dozens of loving relatives and countless friends.

She was preceded in death by her father, Victor J. Marsico; and her special chow-chow boy, Gouda.

There will be a private Burial at Penn Forest Natural Burial Park in Verona, PA.

A Celebration of Life will be held at Heidelberg Social Hall in Heidelberg, PA, on Friday, February 28, 2025, from 2 p.m. – 7 p.m. Of all the things she loved in her lifetime, Anita's favorite thing to do was laugh and be in good company. Please join us in celebrating her beautiful spirit– all friends and family are welcome.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in support of research and treatment for lung cancer, to the American Lung Association or the Allegheny Health Network Oncology Care Fund or to

one of the following animal rescues: Humane Animal Rescue of Pittsburgh; All But Forgotten of Irwin, PA; Animal Lifeline of Pittsburgh, PA; or the Wolf Sanctuary of PA.

Arrangements by **LAUGHLIN CREMATION & FUNERAL TRIBUTES.**

Send condolences post-gazette.com/gb