



Michelle Lapersonerie

November 22, 1946 - December 13, 2019

Michelle Andree LaPersonerie, 73 of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania passed away on Friday, December 13, 2019, at Temple University Hospital, surrounded by the love of her family.

Born Friday, November 22, 1946 in Paris, France, she was the daughter of the late Robert and Alice Porcelyn.

At three years old Michelle would immigrate to the United States with her family. They would first live in Patterson, NJ, before moving to Oceanside, NY. Michelle raised her family in North Babylon, NY. Eventually she would move to Narrowsburg, NY. While in Narrowsburg she would attend college, eventually becoming a Licensed Practical Nurse while working at the Wayne Delaware Manor assisted living home. It was in recent year's that Michelle would settle in Philadelphia, PA. In her spare time Michelle enjoyed different crafts, such as, crocheting, and making Halloween costumes and Christmas decorations. Michelle had a love of gardening, and even owned and operated her own nursery, The Garden Shop, while living in Narrowsburg. She was a loving woman who will be missed by all those that knew and loved her.

Michelle was predeceased by her parents Robert and Alice Porcelyn, by her husband, Richard LaPersonerie, by her son, Phillip, by her grandson, Sean LaPersonerie, and by her sister Rosemarie Campbell.

Michelle is survived by her loving son, James Peck and his wife Jennifer, and loving step son, Patrick LaPersonerie and his wife Alison, by her caring sister in law, Sharon LaPersonerie, and by her cherished grandchildren, James Peck, Cecilia Peck, Brian LaPersonerie, Christian LaPersonerie, Camryn LaPersonerie, Jenna LaPersonerie, and Owen LaPersonerie.

The family will receive friends for a memorial gathering from 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM on Saturday, December 21, 2019, at Michael Hegarty & John Vincent Scalia Home For Funerals and Cremation Service, 3377 US Highway 9, Old Bridge, New Jersey.

Online condolences may be made to the family at www.HegartyScaliaFuneralHome.com

Comments



“ A tribute video has been added.



Michael Hegarty Funeral Home - December 20, 2019 at 04:02 PM



“ Michelle, you were my best friends Phil mother and the greatest at that. My last connection to Phil is now a memory. I will treasure our conversations and am so grateful we kept in touch through the years. I am comforted knowing that you two are together again.

Love always and forever, Omar Alvarez

omar alvarez - December 27, 2019 at 09:11 PM



“ My Mom has always been a kind person. She never had a negative thing to say about anyone. Her friends always said that she had a heart of gold.

When we were kids, she always did whatever it took to take care of my brother and I, sometimes working 2 jobs to make ends meet.

She always made the time to take me to my football & baseball practices, and sometimes I had football practice 3 times a week. She never complained about ferrying me all over long island to play in games.

She always wanted to help people, so later in life she went to nursing school and became a certified nurse. She went on to work in a nursing home so she could help those who couldn't care for themselves. She administered medicine, gave sponge baths, and even changed diapers for the elderly. She truly enjoyed that work, and found it very rewarding, even though the job didn't pay very well.

She enjoyed going to garage sales & yard sales always looking for a great deal, and an opportunity to add to her collections. She enjoyed collecting all sorts of stuff, including Milk Glass, Lladrós, Accessories, Owls, Unicorns, Roosters, and holiday decorations.

She loved the holidays and decorating for them. Every year she would make her own Halloween costumes, and at Christmas she would build an entire winter village with dozens of little scenic houses.

She also loved cooking to feed people until they were fat & happy. She had hundreds of hand-written recipes and dozens of cookbooks. She had so many recipes that she couldn't possibly try them all, even if she had 2 lifetimes to achieve it.

She loved arts & crafts and used to make all sorts of things. Holiday decorations were her favorite things to make, but she also made a lot of things that she and Richie were able to sell at The Garden Shop.

I think she was happiest when we moved upstate NY to Narrowsburg. Not only did she leave behind the hustle & bustle of Long Island for a more relaxing lifestyle, but she and Richie got to fulfill their dream of opening their very own nursery, The Garden Shop. She enjoyed gardening and caring for plants enormously.

While going through her papers & photos I came across a poem that she had written on a piece of scrap paper. I think she wrote it while thinking of all the grief she endured due to those she lost. She experienced a tremendous amount of heartache over a 3 year period. First she lost her Mother in 2006. Then, just 13 months later, she lost her Son Phillip in 2007. And then 13 months after that, she lost her Husband Richie in 2008.

I am going to close by including her poem. I think it fitting for this occasion, because I can relate to its sentiment:

The title is "I Still Miss You". Date unknown

As The Days and Years Pass
I Still Miss You

As The Pain of Grief Softens
I Still Miss You

As New Memories Are Made
I Still Miss You

As I Smile And Laugh
I Still Miss You

Today And Everyday
I Still Miss You

I Love You Mom!
I will miss you, always.



James Peck - December 22, 2019 at 04:07 AM



“ Heartfelt condolences to you and your family. Michelle was so kind to me and my family. Trips to the thrift stores we're always a fun time. She fought a tough fight. Rest peacefully my friend

Cynthia Branche - December 20, 2019 at 06:27 PM



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“ So sorry for your loss. I will always remember my good Friend Michelle and all the great things we did together. She was a great person to be with and always try to help in some way. I will miss our shopping days, she would say to Rich be back early and he would say I bet see you two tonite and we would laugh. We work together in the nursery home on the 3-11 we really enjoyed work with the Residence, Michelle and I would put on music and dance and sing with them at nite and laugh a lot with them talk about how we may them happy for a while these are some of the things I will remember about my friend Michelle. My heart is broken but not for gotten will always be in my heart



ruthann - December 20, 2019 at 10:17 AM



“ Sharon, Jim and Troy LaPersonerie purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Michelle Lapersonerie.



Sharon, Jim and Troy LaPersonerie - December 19, 2019 at 08:44 PM