



Rosenda B. Massa

April 16, 1947 - April 18, 2020

Rosenda (Rose) Massa, 73 of Sterling Heights passed away peacefully at home Saturday April 18th, 2020. Having suffered 2 strokes and a diagnosis of lung cancer in a short span of time, Rose was relentless in her battle to come back, right until her final moments and finally succumbing to the cancer.

Rose was born April 16th 1947 in the Philippines, daughter of Rosa and Santiago Beato, loving sister to Virgenia, Margery, Marie, Rodrigo, and Verhillio. She moved to the United States in 1971 and is survived by her 2 children, Richard Allen Massa of Grosse Pointe Farms and Michelle Bommarito of Macomb Township. She was blessed to have 2 wonderful grandsons Nicholas and Benjamin Bommarito who cared for her deeply. After many years as a homemaker, Rose entered the workforce as a production worker in the automotive parts industry. She was known as a dedicated and hardworking production employee finishing out her final 15 years of employment at US Farathane of Shelby Township.

She had a great interest and love of music and could often be found playing the organ, participating in the church choir, dancing, or holding a microphone singing karaoke. During the summer months you could find her planting flowers in her yard, she had a green thumb and could even make a weed bloom beautifully. She loved laughing and could find humor in almost any situation.

A memorial celebration for friends and family who will miss Rose greatly will be planned for a later date, once larger gatherings are again permitted.

Please share memories with the family on the Tribute Wall.

Tribute Wall



“ *Wm. Sullivan & Son Funeral Directors created a Webcast in memory of Rosenda B. Massa*



Wm. Sullivan & Son Funeral Directors - April 24, 2020 at 04:46 PM

MP

“ Dearest Cousins,

Your mom was the only Aunt I knew from my mother's side. And although I didn't know her as well as I would have liked, I truly want and need for you both to know how much I loved her and how much I love the two of you and yours. The times that I got to spend with her I cherished. Im extremely grateful and honored for having had those moments and memories with her. To those who were lucky enough to have known her, even a little were unknowingly blessed in the most specialist of ways. Angels do walk among us. We may not recognize them but your mom was living proof. And although her physical form has passed on, her spiritual presence has awakened. She now surrounds us all and lives eternal through her beloved family and friends. From me and mine to you and yours, are hearts and prayers are with you.

With Love

*Your Cousin
Mary Eaton Paquette
Nathaniel Eaton
Christian Eaton*

Mary Eaton Paquette - April 25, 2020 at 05:14 PM

BF

“ Michelle, Rich and Family,

It saddened me to hear of your mom's passing! I regret not having gotten the chance to have known Rosie better! On the occasion that I was able to be with her, she always smiled and was very kind to me! I know your hearts are broken at this sad time. I wish we could all be together in person to comfort you! Know my thoughts are with you! Feel my hugs! Love to you all ❤️



Barbara Kastle, Family Friend - April 25, 2020 at 01:21 PM

BS

“ My dear Michell and Richy from the time my very first got my very first letter on your mom when you were just a little baby and that was before I believe Richy was born but you were born she had become very good friends from beginning and we remain that way for the whole 30+ years is 40+45 years actually no it's 47 years I've known her she's always been pleasant kind and very friendly to me and my family she always carried a smile upon her I saw your mother my wife on the planet time I've known him and it's been a pleasure I don't know how rough she was when you were growing up but I still think he raised some very good children and with good smarts on her head so your uncle Ricky want to send his love and his care and my family to yours love and kisses uncle Rick

Brother-in-law and Her sister - April 24, 2020 at 10:40 PM

JG

“Michelle and family,
we are deeply saddened by the passing of your Mom.
Rose was a wonderful neighbor and John always enjoyed talking to her over the fence about their day. Rose had the nicest flower arrangement in the back yard and tended to them daily. John had to constantly remind her to go in the house after dark!
Her smile and uplifting laugh will be missed by all.
May she rest in peace with the Lord.

Sincerely,
John and Cindy
Neighbors of Rose

john Gavin - April 22, 2020 at 07:31 PM

CR

“Rose was a bright spot on our street. She was always smiling and had a few words to say when I passed her house. I don't know where she found the energy to do her own yard work. I knew her as someone who was strong and with a great sense of humor. She will be greatly missed.
May she be always cradled in the arms of Jesus.

Camille Rost, neighbor

Camille Rost - April 20, 2020 at 02:18 PM