



Mildred H Pagani

December 11, 1936 - February 6, 2019

Our beloved mother, Mildred “Millie” Harriet Pagani, peacefully passed away February 6th, 2019 in Wesley Chapel, FL at the age of 82 after a courageous battle with a debilitating disease. This strong and beautiful woman is survived by her three sons, Terry, Joseph, and Darrin; their three wives, Peggy, Chanipa, and Maria; nine grandchildren, Laura, Steven, Sean, Desiree, Joey, Joava, Sam, Meg, and Mia; and five great-grandchildren, Marissa, Anthony, Joshua, Lily, and Jackson. Millie is also survived by her sister, Josephine, and her brother, Frank. Millie was preceded in death by her sister, Gloria, and her parents, Julius and Bessie.

Born in the Bronx, New York, Millie lived the first half of her life in the NYC and Long Island areas before moving to New Port Richey, Florida in the late 1980s.

As a full-time single mother, Millie worked for nearly 30 years through two careers as a civilian in both federal and state agencies, beginning in 1971 through her retirement in the early 2000s. She was well respected at work and maintained several close, personal relationships with folks she met along the way.

In 2007, Millie began writing a blog in order to share her thoughts, memories, and occasions with friends and family, which she regularly updated for a decade. Later, while residing in a senior living facility, she used her creative writing talents to tell the personal stories and histories of some of her fellow residents, particularly those she befriended and admired. She took great pride in her articles appearing in the facility's newsletter especially because they brought great joy to others.

One of our dear mother's traits that we'll always remember is that she always placed her three sons' needs ahead of her own. Her desire to help care for young children and teens in her community was manifest in mentoring children, both in school as a paraeducator, and after school as a caregiver. Millie also volunteered her time at local hospitals. She was always willing to give her time unselfishly.

She will be greatly missed by all those who knew and loved her.

In Florida, visitation will be held at Trinity Memorial Gardens, 12609 Memorial Drive, Trinity FL 34655 on Monday, Feb 11 from 5-7pm with a service at 7pm. A memorial service will also be held in New York in the near future.

In lieu of flowers, a donation in Millie's name to First Book (<https://firstbook.org/>), a cause she believed in wholeheartedly to help deliver resources to students and teachers where they are needed most, would be most welcomed and appreciated.

Events

FEB **Visitation** 05:00PM - 07:00PM

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TRINITY MEMORIAL GARDENS

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FEB **Memorial service** 07:00PM

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Comments



“ Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Mildred H Pagani.



February 11 at 12:16 PM



“ We remember well the Thanksgiving Day we shared with Millie in Brooklyn... she was sweet, charming, and interesting to talk to. We did some reminiscing about our families and backgrounds.. And now I found out from your page what a truly remarkable woman Millie was. Julie & Bob

Juliet Lauricella-Jankowitz - February 11 at 12:10 PM



“ My heartfelt condolences go out to you and your family. I will surely miss the presence of a truly strong, lovable and kind person.
Maria

Maria Talotta - February 11 at 10:46 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Mildred H Pagani.



February 10 at 01:00 PM



“ Oh Darrin! My deepest condolences to you and your family. At the wonderful memories you all share give you strength to get past these difficult times. I didn't know her personally but knowing you, I can tell she was a loving mother who taught her children well. May God bless you all and give you peace.

Margie



Margie - February 10 at 10:37 AM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Mildred H Pagani.



February 09 at 06:42 PM



“ It's with a heavy heart that we learn about Miss Millie's passing. Many of you who have been practicing at Trinity Yoga may remember this spitfire of a woman. I still remember her as she would pull up to the studio, remove her oxygen, and stroll in to attend a power yoga class several times per week. She could hold in downward dog pose next to some of the buffest boys in class-- it was impressive. I would practice next to Millie and say to myself "I want to be like her when I'm in my 70's." There were days when Millie's body just needed the rest, but she would still show up to her power classes and take child's pose through most of it. Miss Millie set an example to all that showing up and doing whatever your able to do is enough. She was such a bright light and an inspiration to us all. We will miss you sweet lady. Om Shanti, may you and your family find peace.



Janel Norton - February 08 at 09:35 PM



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February 08 at 01:16 PM