



Roberta Elaine Rossi

November 29, 1938 - October 9, 2020

Roberta Elaine Rossi, 81, of Huntersville, North Carolina died on October 9, 2020.

Roberta was born in Summit, New Jersey on November 29, 1938 to the late Daniel Rossi and Isabelle M. (DeGiulio) Falzarano. She was raised in Stirling, New Jersey, then moved to Summit, New Jersey where she lived for many years prior to moving to Huntersville, North Carolina.

Roberta graduated high school at Mt. St. John Academy in Gladstone, New Jersey. She then attended College of St. Elizabeth in Morristown, New Jersey for one year prior to entering the work force wherein she worked in many different banking and office administration positions.

She then founded and operated Community Business Services in Westfield, New Jersey, which she ran successfully for many years. Roberta then went on to working at Schering-Plough in New Jersey for many years until her retirement.

Roberta enjoyed traveling the world and spending time with her many family and friends. She also enjoyed her time in the many different organizations she was a member of in both New Jersey and North Carolina. She at one point had served in the position of president of the Business and Professional Women's Foundation (BPW) in New Jersey. Roberta also had enjoyed her time as a member for many years of Altrusa International, Inc. and so many other civic organizations.

Some of Roberta's favored hobbies over the years had been boating, spending time with her many friends playing golf, canasta, and on her weekly attendance at the Lake Norman YMCA in Cornelius, North Carolina.

Roberta was predeceased by her father, Daniel Rossi, and mother, Isabelle M. (DeGiulio) Falzarano. She was also predeceased by her brother, Daniel "Junior" Rossi and his wife, Ruby Rossi. Roberta is survived by her sister, JoAnn Riola of Huntersville, North Carolina;

nieces Patricia A. Riola of Basking Ridge, New Jersey; Lisa (Dario) Stanziola of Fort Mill, South Carolina; nephews Dwayne Rossi of Ormand Beach, Florida; Dean Rossi of Millington, New Jersey; and niece Debbie Rossi of Texas. Roberta is also survived by five great nieces and nephews, Jennifer, Haylee, Michael, Nico and Mia. She is also survived by many loving family members and dear friends throughout the country.

In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to the:
American Heart Association/American Stroke Association
10 Glenlake Pkwy NE South Tower, Suite 400
Atlanta, GA 30328

Services will be private.

James Funeral Home of Huntersville, North Carolina is serving the family.

Comments



“ Dear Joanne and family: I have so many fond memories of this awesome lady who befriended me in 2007 and became a dear and close friend. We shared many trips together with her time-share and fun times playing canasta, dining together, and a memorable 5 day journey to the shores of the Charleston with 4 other lovely ladies having fun exploring, cooking and telling stories about each other as most of us were strangers. I feel so lucky to have these memories of her to fall back on with a smile. I loved making Roberta laugh. I shall miss her very much and know a hole is left in your hearts. My very best to all. Lynn Jeffrey

Lynn Jeffrey - October 26, 2020 at 04:51 PM



“ To Roberta's family... I m thinking of you and wanted to share that a number of the members of BPW NC remember Roberta and conversations at our state conference which she usually attended. Sadly,we had a message earlier today that we lost another Past State President. She and Barbara High-Tyre are no doubt shining as another star in the heavens.

Pat Sledge
2014-15 President BPW/NC

Patricia Sledge - October 15, 2020 at 11:21 PM



“ Roberta was an amazing woman and one of my very best friends. I loved going places with her and our long conversations on the phone when we couldn't see each other because of COVID. I loved our game nights at her house and mine. She was so good and loving to her family, mainly JoAnn. She'd call and say, let's go out to dinner, I've got to get JoAnn out of the house, and we'd go to the Olive Garden and had a great time. I consider JoAnn a great friend and hope that that doesn't end with Roberta's passing.

My heart aches. She's a huge loss to many people and we'll remember her forever and cherish the memories we have of her.

Janis Turner - October 14, 2020 at 08:16 AM



“ JoAnn, you and your family are in my thoughts. Roberta will be missed at our YMCA water aerobics class. She was a fun lady and was our unofficial social director always reminding us to attend luncheons, game nights and movies. We have lost a good friend. She will be missed and will always be remembered

Rickey Alexander

Rickey Alexander - October 13, 2020 at 06:10 PM



“ Roberta was always a delight to have in my hair styling chair every month. I have done her hair for the last 15 years I believe. Her humor and conversation were always a bright spot in my day. We loved discussing new restaurants we had recently visited. I enjoyed her Christmas house collection so much. She will be GREATLY missed.

Sydney

Sydney McPheters - October 13, 2020 at 10:16 AM



“ I met Roberta a few years ago at the Lake Norman YMCA where she regularly enjoyed water aerobics. Her bright smile and quick wit always lit up the pool! She and I discussed books, restaurants, movies and theater. She gave me several good recommendations of places to go in New York on our last trip there. She welcomed me when I was a new instructor at the Y and I will never forget her kindness. She will be missed by many!

Susan Conyers - October 13, 2020 at 07:12 AM



“ Roberta never got old. She managed to stay young for 81+ years. I was lucky to be one of her many friends in the pool at the Lake Norman YMCA. Roberta's love for fun, laughter, adventures and her oh-so-bright mind made her a joy to be around. We will all feel her loss tremendously, as our friend. We will miss her bright insights in our discussions and her quiet but well-honed sense of humor. Roberta loved her family and shared happy stories of their adventures and successes. A life very well lived.

lori thomas - October 11, 2020 at 01:50 PM



“ JoAnn and family, please accept my heartfelt sympathies. Roberta and I have only known each other for a few years, but she made a huge difference in my life. I so enjoyed our adventures together throughout Charlotte, whether it was visiting museums, restaurants, or taking classes. She opened her home to me in friendship, introduced me to many wonderful people, and I will never forget her.

Monica Fass - October 11, 2020 at 01:34 PM