



## Mrs. Diane Elizabeth (Fluty) Massey

January 18, 1963 - June 13, 2020

SMYRNA, TN/UTICA - Mrs. Diane Elizabeth (Fluty) Massey, age 57, a native of Utica and currently a resident of Smyrna, Tennessee, courageously passed away and was reunited with her dad on Saturday, June 13, 2020.

Born in Utica on January 18, 1963, Diane was the beloved daughter of Louise “Cookie” (Matti) Fluty and the late George Fluty. She was a graduate of Notre Dame High School/Class of 1981 and continued her education earning an Associate degree in Business Administration. On May 5, 1987 she married Thomas Michael “Mike” Massey with whom she shared 33 years in a union graced with mutual care, concern, and love.

Diane worked as a New Business Manager at DXC Technology in Nashville, Tennessee. She was stoic in successfully meeting her job responsibilities, throughout her career and especially during her illness. She never made excuses. Blessed with a vivacious personality and a compassionate heart, Diane would do anything for anyone who needed help. She was also carefree, funny, and full of life. She enjoyed being outdoors, soaking up the sun, doing yard work, or just shining her car.

She was best friends with her daughters, and then her grandchildren became number one! She was affectionately known to them as “YaYa”, and her world changed when she became that person. When it came to her little angels, she excited them, gifted them with many treasures, hand-picked outfits, and toys that would stimulate their minds. Her focus was on them, and she wanted them to have fun and the freedom to be uninhibited. They never went without!

They were her pride and joy and she loved them and her family so much. For any of us who know how difficult it is to let go of a daughter, a sister, a wife, a mother, an aunt, and dear friend, it takes the grace of God and all of our energy to find peace and hope that our loved ones are at rest after physical afflictions that we cannot control. Diane had a full, wonderful life with family who loved her, and the Lord who loved her more. Her spirituality was private and silently renewed through the grace of God who led her to her well-deserved rest.

Diane is survived by her husband, Mike; her beloved mother, Louise "Cookie"; her girls and their loves, Megan and Greg Heikkinen, and Erica Massey and fiancé Justin Haskins; her cherished grandbabies, Addison, Graham, Anna-Cate; and Liam, Jack, and Kylie. She also leaves her sisters (all of Dad's favorites) and their loved ones, Donna and Rodney Baker, Karen and Joe Laport, Lisa and Joaquin Alvarez, and the memory of her brother Michael Fluty who preceded her in 1980; and Carol Haywood, a special and blessed friend who the family considers to be equivalent to a sister. She also leaves her nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, cousins, aunts and uncles; mother-in-law and her husband, Joyce and Ron Jones; brother-in-law, Robert Massey; and a legion of loving extended family members.

The family will commemorate Diane's life privately. Donations in memory of Diane may be directed to the Sarah Cannon Cancer Fund online at <https://sarahcannon.com/about/sarah-cannon-fund.dot> or by mail to Sarah Cannon, 1100 Dr. Martin L. King, Jr. Blvd., Suite 800, Nashville, TN 37203. Graveside services will be held on Tuesday at 1:00 at Calvary Cemetery.

Although everyone will miss their special moments with Diane, please raise a glass of either a Margarita for her Mom, Cookie or a Cosmopolitan for Diane, for those were significant of their special times together. May she rest in peace.

# Cemetery Details

## Calvary Cemetery

2407 Oneida Street  
Utica, NY 13501  
(315) 735-2727

# Previous Events

## Service

JUN 23. 1:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ I met Diane through my sister Cookie when she was in Florida. She was a very warm wonderful light hearted person, she will surely be missed. R.I. P. Diane. Butch Mancuso

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**Joseph (Butch) Mancuso** - June 25, 2020 at 05:56 PM

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“ Dear Family Fluty -

*My heart is heavy for your loss of Diane. Her life the past many years proves Diane to be an enormous blessing in many peoples' lives. Those are gifts that shall keep on giving eternally. My prayers are each of you -- Mom; Donna; Karen; Lisa; her children and husband, family -- be comforted knowing she shall be with you forever in spirit. Only her earthly 'physical' self is absent. So many fond, fun, funny memories with you all. And, yes, our inevitable sorrows that bring us together. Cling to ALL the great times!*

Love,

*Girard A. Plante  
Newton, Massachusetts*

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**Girard Plante** - June 23, 2020 at 08:09 AM