



## MaryRose Diana

November 13, 1943 - July 17, 2023

UTICA – MaryRose Diana, age 79, passed away on Monday, July 17, 2023 after a lengthy battle from complications of a stroke.

MaryRose was born in Utica on November 13, 1943 to the late Anthony “Dago” Sr. and Frances B. (Bello) Diana. She was a graduate of T.R. Proctor High School/Class of 1961. At one time, she shared her life with Joseph Pepperine, a union which blessed them with two children. She worked as an office manager for a roofing company in Dania, Florida.

A loving woman, she will be remembered for her generosity and fierce loyalty to those she loved. She was nothing if not a typical Italian mother – the matriarch of the family. She was known for her skills in the kitchen, and enjoyed sometimes taking a little risk at the casino. Most of all she loved family gatherings and her grandchildren were the light of her life.

A member of St. Anthony St. Agnes Church, her Catholic faith meant a great deal to her, and she gave monthly to St. Jude’s Children’s Research Hospital. She was generous and benevolent by nature, sometimes to a fault.

MaryRose is survived by her son, John Pepperine and Cathy Lawrence; and her daughter, Jennifer and Rob Winton. Her loss will also be felt by her adored grandchildren, Brianna Pepperine, and Anthony Giallanza; and many beloved

nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, cousins and godchildren. She was predeceased by her brothers, Anthony C. Diana, and Francis R. Diana; and her special friends, Maria Talarico, and Lorre Falange.

The family wishes to extend a special thanks to MaryRose's in-home caregiver Renee for her compassionate care and dedication.

The family will commemorate MaryRose's life in a private gathering.

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Mary Rose was a great friend, compassionate, loyal she helped me every time I needed and I'm very grateful for that we also work together for Seascapes Casino Cruise and Budget Roofing. May rest in peace my dear friend you will be missed 🥹🥹* ”

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**Elena Godinez** - September 09, 2023 at 04:42 PM



“ *Growing up in Utica, I remember MaryRose well. She and my mother, Rose (Bell) Guidera, were cousins. Her mother and my grandfather, Martin Bell, were sister and brother. May she rest in peace! .....Josey (Guidera) Lopez* ”

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**Josey Lopez** - August 14, 2023 at 04:03 PM

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*Mary Rose was my best friend we worked together in Seascapes and Budget Roofing may rest in peace my dear friend 🥹*

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**Elena Godinez** - September 09, 2023 at 04:38 PM