



Gaylene Mary O'Brien

November 23, 1952 - August 28, 2022

Gaylene Mary O'Brien, devoted mother, sister and friend, passed away on August 28, 2022. Age 69 and born to the late Thomas and Virginia (Kirkwood) O'Brien, she grew up in Pittsburgh's Garfield neighborhood. Throughout her life, Gaylene generously gave of herself to others through her career in nursing and massage therapy. She graduated from Connelley Skilled-Learning Center with her Licensed Practical Nursing degree in 1981 and went on to earn her Registered Nursing degree from Community College of Allegheny County in 1987. She served as a dedicated member of the staff at West Penn Hospital for many years until her retirement from nursing in 1997. Gaylene went on to earn a degree in massage therapy, allowing her to continue her passion of helping to heal others. She was a gifted artist and brightened people's days with doodles, paintings, and especially her sidewalk chalk art masterpieces during the height of the COVID-19 pandemic. She had a green thumb and was a talented gardener. Gaylene enjoyed listening to The Rolling Stones and took great pride in her ability to bake a world-class cheesecake.

Above all, Gaylene loved her family. She is survived by her ex-husband Kevin Rice, daughter Caitlin Revitsky (Steve), her sons Jake O'Brien-Rice and Shamus O'Brien, sisters Connie Palmieri (Dave), Ruth O'Brien, and many nephews, great nieces, and great nephews. She lovingly welcomed her first grandson, Maccallin "Mack" Revitsky, into the world just one day before her

passing. Preceded in death by her brothers T.J. and Jack O'Brien.

Relatives and friends are invited to attend a Catholic Funeral Mass presided by Fr. Matthew Laffey, which will be celebrated at 10am at Sacred Heart Church in Shadyside on Tuesday, November 29. Address is 310 Shady Ave, Pittsburgh, PA 15206.

Private burial for the family will be in Calvary Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in her memory to St Jude Children's Research Hospital at www.stjude.org.

Tribute Wall



“ *Gaylene Mary O'Brien*

October 09, 2023 at 09:55 AM



“ *Gaylene Mary O'Brien*

October 06, 2023 at 11:36 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Gaylene Mary O'Brien.*



November 26, 2022 at 12:20 PM



“ *To all of Gaylene's family. I am so sorry for your loss. My condolences to you all. I lived across the street from the O'Brien family spent a good bit of time with all of them. But, what I remember the most about Gaylene was her smile when she laughed. I know she will be missed.*

Betty "Tekieli" Broderick - November 03, 2022 at 11:18 AM



Thank you for your condolences, and for sharing this lovely memory of my mom. It makes my heart happy to know that someone else thinks of her beautiful smile when remembering my mom. She will be missed, indeed.

- Caitlin (Gaylene's daughter)

Caitlin Revitsky - November 05, 2022 at 09:35 PM

LS

Death takes the Body. God takes the Soul. Our minds holds the Memories. Our heart keeps the Love. Our Faith let's us know we will meet again. So sorry for your loss. May you Rest In Peace Gaylene .

Lucy Swezey - November 06, 2022 at 06:10 PM



I love you, mom.

Jake Hale - November 21, 2022 at 04:59 PM



(Jacob) Gaylene's son.

Jake Hale - November 21, 2022 at 05:00 PM

CR

“ I am so very sorry to hear of Gaylene's passing. We were neighbors in Dormont and our children (Abby) played together often. My sincere condolences to the family.

Sincerely, Carol and Lee Remmick.

Carol Remmick - November 03, 2022 at 07:36 AM

CR

Mr. and Mrs. Remmick, thank you for your sympathy. I have so many fond memories throughout my childhood with Abby at your house. I hope you all are happy and healthy. Thank you again for your condolences.

- Caitlin

Caitlin Revitsky - November 05, 2022 at 09:37 PM

AG

“ So sorry to hear about Gaylene’s passing. Our daughters attended grade school together and we often carpooled to school sports practices together. Although we lost touch, I have good memories. May she Rest In Peace. Blessings go to her three children.

Audrey Grubb - November 02, 2022 at 05:53 PM

VN

I’m deeply sorry for her family that will miss Gaylene but Relieved that she is no longer in pain and at peace in the Heavens above. We know her spirit is with us daily as we will be reminded with her Love. I was a family friend growing up as neighbors, my sister Christine was her best friend. I remember her very sweet gentle personality. Rest In Peace you sweet Angel of God 🌹💜🕊️

Vincent Norton - November 03, 2022 at 10:37 AM

EN

I will miss you, Gaylene. Emmie Norton

Emmie Norton - November 05, 2022 at 05:58 PM

CR

Mrs. Grubb, thank you for sharing your sympathy. It makes me glad to know that you have good memories with my mom-those were happy years for our family. I will surely draw on that time as I try to focus on joyful memories. Thank you again.
- Caitlin

Caitlin Revitsky - November 05, 2022 at 09:40 PM

CR

Vincent and Emmie, thank you for your expression of sympathy. I know how close the Nortons and O'Briens were, and so it means a lot that you are offering your prayers to our family during this difficult season. I pray my mom is at peace, and that we will always remember her beautiful and gentle spirit.
- Caitlin

Caitlin Revitsky - November 05, 2022 at 09:42 PM