



Dana Kaye Navin

April 7, 1940 - January 24, 2021

Dana Kaye Navin (1940 – 2021).

On January 24, 2021, a loving wife, mother and grandmother passed away at Kobacker House. Born in Bellaire, Ohio and a Phi Beta Kappa graduate of Bellaire High School where she was active in drama, band and basketball.

When she was 19, Dana moved to Columbus to work as a legal secretary for Cy Wolsky and then for the Larrimer & Larrimer law firm where she met her first husband, Paul J Navin. Married for 34 years, she had four children.

Dana was a life-long learner, an avid reader and supporter of the arts in central Ohio. She served as secretary of the Columbus Museum of Art Sessions Society, was a strong supporter of WOSU Public Media and twice president of the ProMusica Sustaining Board. She was also active in her church, the First Congregational Church UCC, Columbus.

Survived by loving husband Hugh Schultz; sister Marilyn Freshour; children Brett Navin, Colleen Baumeister (John) and Emily Prieto (Tom), and step-daughter Kristin Kelly (Bret); grandchildren Rachel and Duke Brady, Max, Garrett (Holly) and Pete (Carlie) Monast, and Wyatt Kelly; many loving relatives and friends.

Preceded in death by first husband, Paul J. Navin, parents Robert and Dorothy Freshour, sister Janice Parsons, daughter Elizabeth (Bethany) Navin and daughter in law Patricia Navin.

A memorial service will be held October 16, 11:00 a.m. at First Congregational Church, 444 East Broad St Columbus, Ohio.

Dana was a light among the stars and didn't know a bad day until her battle with pancreatic cancer. Her approach to life was always "What can I do for you?" She will be sorely missed by all who knew her.

Donations in her name can be made to the WOSU building fund or the ProMusica Sustaining Board

Previous Events

Memorial Service

OCT **16**. 11:00 AM (ET)

First Congregational Church
444 E. Broad St.
Columbus, OH

Tribute Wall



“ *Rutherford Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Dana Kaye Navin*



Rutherford Funeral Homes - January 27, 2021 at 12:12 PM



“ *Dana Kaye Navin*

January 28, 2023 at 10:24 AM



“ *Michael Perrini and family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Dana Kaye Navin.*



Michael Perrini and family - October 11, 2021 at 08:23 AM

AS

“ I met my friend Emily's Mother on only a few occasions but was always struck by how pretty she was. This morning, on the day of her funeral, I was trying to give my 7 year old granddaughter a life lesson by explaining "Pretty is as Pretty does."
After reading Dana's obituary, I now know she was "pretty" in every way .
May she rest in Peace.
Ann Seren

Ann Seren - January 28, 2021 at 12:51 PM



“ Pretty Please was purchased for the family of Dana Kaye Navin.



January 28, 2021 at 08:06 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Dana Kaye Navin.



January 27, 2021 at 08:46 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Dana Kaye Navin.



January 27, 2021 at 08:36 PM

AD

“ I remember your mom being so nice. With deepest sympathy and prayers.

Andie Duemmel - January 27, 2021 at 05:56 PM



“ Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Dana Kaye Navin.



January 26, 2021 at 04:20 PM

EC

“ Sending you our love and prayers from First Congregational Church, UCC. Dana was a light to so many and had such a welcoming spirit. She will be missed among us. Rev. Emily Corzine

Emily Corzine - January 26, 2021 at 12:58 PM

OG

“ Sending all of our love to the entire family. May her spirit live on through every joyful memory you hold dear to your heart and through the love and generosity you will continue to share with one another. - Olivia and Roque Gonzalez

Olivia M. Gonzalez - January 26, 2021 at 11:58 AM

QC

“ With love to Kristin, Hugh and the entire family, I'm thinking of you during this time of loss. I pray that God's comfort will console you as you celebrate the life and legacy of such a beautiful, vibrant woman. I'm here for you always. Phil 4:7



Quinton Crenshaw - January 26, 2021 at 11:38 AM

YF

“ Your HudsonLake Family purchased the Heavenly Grace Spray for the family of Dana Kaye Navin.



Your HudsonLake Family - January 26, 2021 at 11:33 AM

DJ

“ Dana was always seen with a smile and kind words for anyone who met her. I spent many reunions and dinners with her through the years and will hold close those beautiful memories. My heartfelt love and prayers to Hugh, Brett, Colleen, and Emily.

Diana Jones - January 25, 2021 at 09:18 PM

EP

Thanks Diana

Emily Prieto - January 26, 2021 at 11:11 AM

DJ

“ *Diana Jones lit a candle in memory of Dana Kaye Navin*



Diana Jones - January 25, 2021 at 09:13 PM



“ *Heart Wind Chime - Personalized was purchased for the family of Dana Kaye Navin.*



January 25, 2021 at 07:15 PM

CD

“ *There are individuals along the way that you meet that will touch your heart and soul. Those rare individuals will lift you up when you need it and add sunshine to cloudy days. You will be drawn to them because they bring out the best in you and will always make time for you. Kindness is their natural aura. Fun is their middle name. Dana was comprised of all these attributes. We will miss her great sense of humor, her generous heart and those special times. However, she left a mark on our souls that will last forever. We know Heaven will enjoy the addition of one awesome angel.*

*Love and hugs to her wonderful family,
Michael and Carol Dove*

Carol Dove - January 25, 2021 at 04:44 PM

TS

Thank you!

Thank you for your support! - January 25, 2021 at 05:26 PM

JM

“ *A classy lady; kind and courteous; fantastic cook; quick to laugh and smile; welcoming, encouraging, compassionate; loving wife, mother, grandmother, and aunt; witty and charming through and through. A fine example to us all. I'm a better man for having known her.*

Jim Monast

Jim Monast - January 25, 2021 at 04:17 PM

EP

Thanks for your kind words!

Emily Prieto - January 25, 2021 at 05:27 PM