



Marlys L. Cuzzocrea

August 29, 1942 - July 3, 2023

Marlys L. Cuzzocrea passed away peacefully at home July 3rd, 2023 in Powell, Ohio.

Marlys was an avid bridge player and participated in numerous clubs and tournaments throughout her life. She spent a great deal of her life volunteering for school and community activities and events. She often gave back and supported the community through efforts such as delivering for Meals on Wheels, supporting the local gardening club, helping fundraising efforts for the Humane Society and adopting local seniors in need of friendship and support. In her later years she enjoyed traveling, especially cruising, as well as cross country road trips to visit with family.

She is survived by sons, Terry Cuzzocrea (Becky) and Mark Cuzzocrea (Shawna); daughter, Cheryl Ryan (Mike); grandchildren, Jennifer Cuzzocrea, Jessica Baker (Mike), Alicia Ostermeyer (Matt), Ashton Rohrer (Ben), Jacqueline Burress (Eric), Hayden Ryan, Nathan Ryan, and Macey Ryan; 7 great grandchildren; sisters, Karon Johnson, Jamie Merrill, Leslie DiVito (Joe); brother, David Merrill (Penny); and numerous nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her husband of 53 years, Don Cuzzocrea; parents, Orren and Majorie Merrill; and sister, Renee Merrill.

Services will be held graveside at Union Cemetery in Columbus, Ohio. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Alzheimer's Association: <https://act.alz.org>.

Cemetery Details

Union Cemetery

3349 Olentangy River Road
Columbus, OH 43202
(614) 267-5471

Tribute Wall

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“ 1 file added to the album Marlys



Jeff Nelson - July 07, 2023 at 10:01 PM

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I love this picture Jeff!

Cheryl Ryan - July 17, 2023 at 01:06 PM

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“ Marlys was my self-adopted big Sister since I was 4 years old. I literally grew up with the Merrill family everyday n as a young adult. She was always kind n loving to everyone. She, her parents n her siblings helped me grow into the person I am. RIP Big Sis ❤️

Stella Lynn McCage (Phacas) - July 06, 2023 at 04:28 PM

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Cheryl Ryan - July 17, 2023 at 01:05 PM

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“ Nancy Martinez lit a candle in memory of Marlys L. Cuzzocrea



Nancy Martinez - July 06, 2023 at 03:23 PM

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Cheryl Ryan - July 17, 2023 at 01:07 PM

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Maryls and Don Cuzzocrea were two of the nicest people I ever knew. When the Cuzzocrea's moved to Lima, Ohio Joe and I gained friends who were warm and loving. This friendship meant so much through the remaining years of our lives.

I would drive a school bus from my town of Columbus Grove to the vocational school at Apollo, Marlys would drive over to Apollo, pick me up to spend the day together. Conventions, office parties and freindship time with Don and Marlys always made my heart happy to be in the company of these two amazing people. So many memories. Joe and I were truly blessed to have known Don and Marlys.

I can't imagine the heartache Marlys's family is feeling at this difficult time. My prayers are for strength, comfort and God's grace. The Cuzzocreas are together again, we here on earth have unhappy hearts, Maryl's heart is happy to be with her beloved Don.

Rest in peace dear friend.

Carol Bunn

CAROL LYNN BUNN - July 19, 2023 at 11:34 PM