



Serena Serra

December 9, 1955 - June 29, 2016

Serena Serra, age 60, born December 9, 1955, passed away after a long battle with cancer on Wednesday, June 29, 2016. Serena was the daughter of Ralph and Elvira Serra who both came from large Italian families from Connecticut. Serena never forgot her Connecticut roots and summers spent there with her cousins. She was an avid UConn fan until the very end. Serena graduated from the former St. Joseph's Academy for Girls and Ohio Dominican University. After many years in retail at Sears and Fashion Concepts, Serena's last position was with Chemical Abstracts in data entry where she was employed until her illness prevented her from working. Serena never found her rhythm on the dance floor, but she found it in the sea. Sometime after the age of 40 Serena surprised her family and friends by taking up scuba diving and was an active member of the Central Ohio Divers taking part in many group diving excursions. Serena is preceded in death by her parents, Ralph and Elvira Serra. She is survived by her son, Ben Kehoe, her brother Carl (Paula) Serra, nephews Tony (Annastasia) Dupler and Evan (Elisa) Serra, and former husband and dear friend, Chuck Dunfee. Friends may call at the RUTHERFORD-CORBIN FUNERAL HOME, 515 High St. in Worthington, OH, Wednesday, July 6, from 4-7. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated Thursday, July 7, at 10 am at OUR LADY OF PEACE CATHOLIC CHURCH, 20 E. Dominion Blvd., Columbus, OH. 43214. A private burial will be held at Resurrection Cemetery. Donations in Serena's memory may be made to the Mid-Ohio FoodBank.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 6. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Rutherford-Corbin Funeral Home
515 High Street
Worthington, OH 43085
(614) 885-4006
info@rutherfordfuneralhome.com
<https://www.rutherfordfuneralhomes.com/>

Memorial Mass

JUL 7. 10:00 AM (ET)

Our Lady of Peace Catholic Church
20 E. Dominion Blvd.
Columbus, OH 43214

Tribute Wall



“ *Serena Serra*

January 28, 2023 at 10:24 AM



“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Lisa Rose - July 07, 2016 at 07:40 AM



“ *ACS - Member Services Dept. (co-workers/FRIENDS) purchased the Ever Upward Bouquet for the family of Serena Serra.*



ACS - Member Services Dept. (co-workers/FRIENDS) - July 06, 2016 at 11:11 AM



“ *Serena was an "early bird" at ACS and it was in those early morning hours that I got to know her as a co-worker and friend. She was quick to laugh, always up for a good story or joke and had a zest for life that was truly contagious. She lived her life to the fullest with grace and humor. I will miss knowing she is in this world, but know that she is now truly free. Godspeed Serena.*

Joan Killinger - July 06, 2016 at 09:57 AM

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“ I feel incredibly lucky to have known Serena when she worked at Chemical Abstracts. Her example and spirit made me a better person, and her laugh could always lift me up. I will miss her in this world.

I send my sincere condolences to the family of this beautiful woman.

Pamela J Zaebst

Pamela J. Zaebst - July 06, 2016 at 09:33 AM

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Becky Pugh - July 06, 2016 at 09:15 AM

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“ My heart dropped when I heard of Serena's passing. She was such a fighter, always proving her doctors wrong. She is the strongest person I know. I will miss her incredibly; her humor, her kindness and her spirit. I can't wait to see her again someday. I'm so glad to have known her and to have called her my friend.

Becky Pugh - July 06, 2016 at 09:12 AM

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“ I met Serena in September, 2002 when she joined our department at Chemical Abstracts. She was such a high-energy individual with a quick wit and wonderful sense of humor. I especially enjoyed the tales of her many adventures and her face always lit up as she described her travels. Even after her diagnosis, her wanderlust spirit never waned as she continued her journeys. Hers was a life lived without regret but with joy and abandon. May we all learn from Serena's example to enjoy each and every moment to its fullest. My thoughts and prayers go out to Ben, Chuck, her family and many friends.



Rhonda Doyle - July 06, 2016 at 08:48 AM

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“ Lots of great memories with my dear friend Serena. She included me in her circle of friends, family, home and heart. Some of the best times were at the Italian Festival. Serena was always at the Wheel of Fortune, wine in one hand and cigarette in the other, making friends with the other gamblers and keeping everyone entertained with her enthusiasm. Love and hugs to you my sweet friend. We will meet again and enjoy the festivals of Heaven.

Laura Wickerham Elliott - July 06, 2016 at 07:28 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Serena Serra.



July 05, 2016 at 11:25 AM

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“ *Pat, Jr, Barbara, Judith Grace & Ed purchased the Fairest of All for the family of Serena Serra.*



Pat, Jr, Barbara, Judith Grace & Ed - July 04, 2016 at 11:55 AM