



Sandy Gentile

January 12, 1952 - February 25, 2020

Sandra P. Gentile, 68, passed away on Tuesday, February 25, 2020 at her home surrounded by her family.

Born in Boone, NC, Sandy was a graduate of Belmont High School and Gardner-Webb University. Sandy and her husband Don lived in Eatontown and Hamilton Square for several years before building their home in Lumberton in 1989. She worked in Information Technology for several years as a Project Manager, among the first women in the field. But it was her family and her children that brought her the greatest joy in life.

Sandy was a devoted wife, mother, and grandmother who never missed a game, performance, or special occasion. She was a member and treasurer of the Lumberton PTA for many years and was active with Sacred Heart CYO softball and baseball, and the RV Band Booster Club. She was an avid sports fan, rooting for the UNC Tarheels, New York Yankees, and New York Giants. Every spring and summer, Sandy tended to her beloved vegetable garden and looked forward to enjoying tomato and cucumber sandwiches all season long.

Sandy overcame a polio diagnosis as a child, never letting her disability hold her back. She courageously battled multiple myeloma for 18 years, and helped pioneer new treatments with her participation in groundbreaking clinical trials. Those who knew her were in awe of her strength and positivity

throughout her life.

Sandy is predeceased by her loving parents, C.A. and Frances Payne, and her sister Marsha Payne of Gastonia, NC.

She is survived by her husband of 40 years, Donald; daughter, Jessica Corcoran and her husband Tom; daughter Amy Gentile of Norristown, PA; son Nicholas Gentile of Lumberton, NJ; and grandson James Corcoran. She is also survived by her sister Karen Helms and husband C.B. of Gastonia, NC; niece Wendy Bekesi and husband Rich of Mooresboro, NC; and nephew Destry Helms and wife Denise of Gastonia, NC.

Funeral Services and Cremation will be held privately. In lieu of flowers, the family asks for contributions to the Annual Miles for Myeloma. Team Awesome is participating for the 12th year in a row in honor of Sandy: <http://give.myeloma.org/goto/teamawesome>.

Watch her tribute video here:

<https://www.tributeslides.com/tributes/show/2LPW7J53GZ5HPQBB>

Tribute Wall



“ *Sandy Gentile*

October 29, 2022 at 11:57 AM



“ *Sandy Gentile*

October 29, 2022 at 09:53 AM



“ *Don & Family - Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Graham & Kathleen Giusti*

graham giusti - February 29, 2020 at 03:26 PM



“ *Don and family,
So sorry for your loss our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.
Phil and Penny Mazzucco*

Phil Mazzucco - February 29, 2020 at 09:50 AM



“ *Mrs. Fields Nibblers® Sympathy Basket was purchased for the family of Sandy Gentile.*



February 28, 2020 at 07:19 PM

KH

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Karen Helms - February 28, 2020 at 10:21 AM

JE

“ Mom got to take James to his first Yankees game 🏟️❤️



Jess - February 27, 2020 at 07:23 PM

DG

Sending our sincere condolences to the Gentile family in this time of grief.

*Sincerely,
Mark, Debbie, Michelle and Sarah Ginn*

Debbie and Mark Ginn - February 27, 2020 at 08:41 PM

DR

“ I am so sorry to hear this. I remember Sandy well at Lumberton Schools as well as RV. She was a wonderful woman. Debbie Raroa ❤️

Debbie Raroa - February 27, 2020 at 03:15 PM

DN

Sandy was a very considerate, kind-hearted neighbor always. Her smile was genuine and warming. I will miss seeing her in the neighborhood. Love & hugs to you Sandy, May you be at peace. Love & hugs to the family, too!

Diane Nelson - February 28, 2020 at 09:00 PM

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Don Gentile - February 27, 2020 at 12:12 PM

JE

Mom and Dad on their honeymoon in Aruba ❤️

Jess - February 28, 2020 at 08:48 AM