



Carol Ann Spano

May 24, 2023

Carol Ann Spano, 70, formerly of Pawtucket passed away peacefully surrounded by her family on May 24, 2023, after a brief illness.

Carol was born on February 2, 1953, a Groundhog baby, to Rosemary (Guncheon) Kaufman and Robert Kaufman of Pawtucket, RI. She was born with a caring soul that she shared with the world, a deep love of animals and a steadfast loyalty to her friends and family. She is survived by two children, Carolyn (Spano) Soares of East Greenwich, RI and Nicolas Spano of Pawtucket, his wife, Anabela, her former husband, William Spano of Foster and brother, Richard Kaufman of Warwick, RI.

Carol was passionate and dedicated to animals and environmental causes, signing petitions every morning while drinking her coffee. Her unconditional love and compassion was clearly seen with her cats, Molly, Bailey, and Sophie, in addition to her current and past "fur kids and grandkids."

Carol was a bus driver for the Foster School Department for many years while her children were in school. Her passion for helping people was later extended to becoming a caregiver and PCA for developmentally delayed adults and those on hospice. Despite those other professions, Carol's favorite profession was being a mother, and her children were her world.

Per her wishes, no formal services will be held. However, a Celebration of Life will be held at a later date. Please consider making a donation to the Woonsocket Cat Sanctuary, www.woonsocketcatsanctuary.weebly.com in her memory.

Tribute Wall



“ Pam sent a virtual gift in memory of Carol Ann Spano



Pam - September 16, 2024 at 03:23 PM



“ Pam lit a candle in memory of Carol Ann Spano



Pam - September 16, 2024 at 03:20 PM



“ Pam sent a virtual gift in memory of Carol Ann Spano



Pam - July 17, 2024 at 12:09 PM



“ Pam lit a candle in memory of Carol Ann Spano



Pam - July 17, 2024 at 12:08 PM

PA

“ Pam lit a candle in memory of Carol Ann Spano



Pam - August 01, 2023 at 11:28 PM

CS

“ Carolyn Spano sent a virtual gift in memory of Carol Ann Spano



Carolyn Spano - June 27, 2023 at 03:03 PM

CS

“ Carolyn Spano lit a candle in memory of Carol Ann Spano



Carolyn Spano - June 27, 2023 at 03:03 PM



“ Two weeks have passed since my mom left us and I’ve had some time to reflect. Leaving a memory here could never begin to scratch the surface of who my Mom was and what her unconditional love felt like from the moment I took my first breath til any moment now when I close my eyes and feel her love and embrace. We have a tendency to only remember good memories and forget the bad when someone leave us, but I can honestly say that every memory of my mom was amazing and life changing. She was my best friend and the center of my universe. This story may seem simple and maybe arbitrary but it’s something that meant everything to me. My sister was born on Christmas and four years later I was born December 26, the day after Christmas (aka the absolute worst day of the year to have a birthday)! People would always be too tired or hung over to do anything the day after Christmas or would be visiting family or returning gifts at the mall. To top it off it was always school vacation week. People when they find out about my birthday would always ask if I got “ gyped” on gifts but I could always say no! Presents were never important to me but I could clearly remember my mom at Midnight ripping down all the pink balloons and streamers and putting up baseball themed decorations and putting out gifts that said Happy birthday and not Merry Xmas to make sure I could separate the two and for me to know my day wasn’t forgotten. When I was older she took me to lunch and bought me my first legal beer before going out with my friends. As an adult we continue the tradition and I would alway request that for my birthday I had a one to one day with my mom that even my wife wasn’t allowed to go to. It meant the world every time we had our days out but especially on my birthday. She was my world and I just wanted that day to be for us. I know she appreciated it and I could tell it meant just as much to her. I could tell you 8,345 other memories of her, but that always stood out and made an insecure kid feel like the world was mine! Her love is still with me and I know she laughs with me every time I see one of our cats do something funny, and it can see her in my mind give me an Air High 5 when the Red Sox win. I could tell you about our mother and Son dance at my wedding or the pride in her face when I graduated College, but the

everyday "little things" or Momisms or Carol Sayings are what lift me up in this time of sadness. She was light in the darkness and the smile on my face. Even as I wipe tears away as I write this, I smile through the tears just thinking of her kind heart and warm spirit. I will love my mom and miss her till my time is up but I will carry her everywhere I go and know I was truly blessed to her her as a mom!!! Xoxo your Son
-Nick

Nick Spano - June 07, 2023 at 03:57 PM

PB

“ *Pamela Belmore sent a virtual gift in memory of Carol Ann Spano*



Pamela Belmore - June 03, 2023 at 09:09 PM

PB

“ *This is Auntie Pam I've been reflecting on past times with Carol I remember when we were younger how much she loved her Mom and Dad when she had kids her whole world revolved around them she embraced motherhood she absolutely loved her children. She loved her cats dearly without a doubt her cats were living their best life with her knowing they were loved and safe.*
I reflect back to when we were teenagers going to outdoor concerts we had so much fun Carol always had that huge smile on her face. I remember her driving a stick shift like a champ up huge hills never rolling backwards barely seeing over the steering wheel she was so tiny...I admired that back in the day...still do.
Rest In Peace Carol.
Love,
Pam

Pamela Belmore - June 03, 2023 at 09:06 PM

PB

“ Pamela Belmore lit a candle in memory of Carol Ann Spano



Pamela Belmore - June 03, 2023 at 09:05 PM

LS

“ I remember being a little girl and going to visit my Aunt Carol and my cousins Nick and Carolyn when my Uncle Willy would just come back from driving they lived in a yellow house and used to love going there I loved Aunty Carol she has always had a huge heart and the tightest hugs RIP Aunty Carol you definately will be missed

Lyn Spano - June 01, 2023 at 11:04 AM

LS

“ Lyn Spano lit a candle in memory of Carol Ann Spano



Lyn Spano - June 01, 2023 at 10:58 AM

CS

“ Carolyn Spano lit a candle in memory of Carol Ann Spano



Carolyn Spano - June 01, 2023 at 09:05 AM

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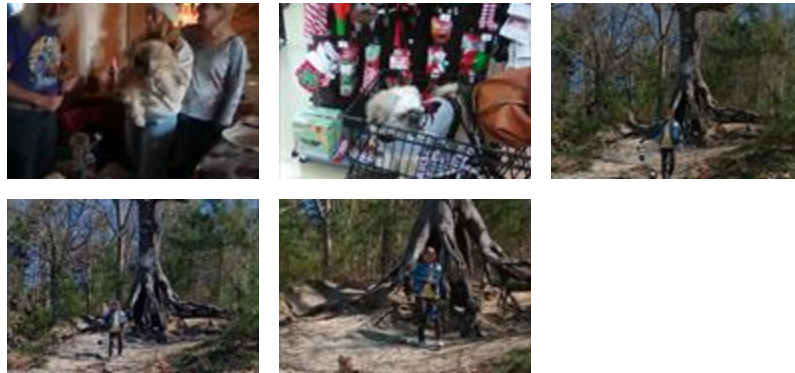
“ How can I decided out of a thousand memories which one to share. Probably the one that means the most out of them all.

Everyone who knows my mom, knows how much she hates to part with money. Like most of us, she lived pay check to pay check. 2019 was a really rough time in my life. I lost the last of my own 4 doggies who all lived to 18 years. I also the love of my life. When my heart a few years later was starting to heal, I did not have thousands of dollars for a new doggie. My mom who has not ever once let me borrow money did not even hesitate to take the money out of her cremation funds to lend me the money for Riley. Thank god I had paid her back every cent. Who would of thought that a year later she would actually need that money that she had tucked away for many years to come. She truly gave me my other best friend (besides her.) Now Riley means more to me than he ever has. He also was a grandma's boy. The second he would get off the elevator at her apt building, he had rounded the corner before I could even get fully out of the elevator, and he was running down the hall scratching at her door waiting to jump in her arms. Also if you know my mom. she was most defiantly a cat person, but she loved the hell out of Riley. Even though I never had kids of my own, my doggies have always been considered my children. Riley is a registered emotional support dog, so he has gone to every restaurant, festival, thrift store, beaches and so many other places many dogs are not allowed with me and his grandma. I am so thankful for all those memories the three of us have made since the very first day that Riley Spano became a part of the family.

Carolyn Soares - June 01, 2023 at 08:21 AM

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“ 54 files added to the album Mom throughout the years



Carolyn Soares - June 01, 2023 at 07:47 AM

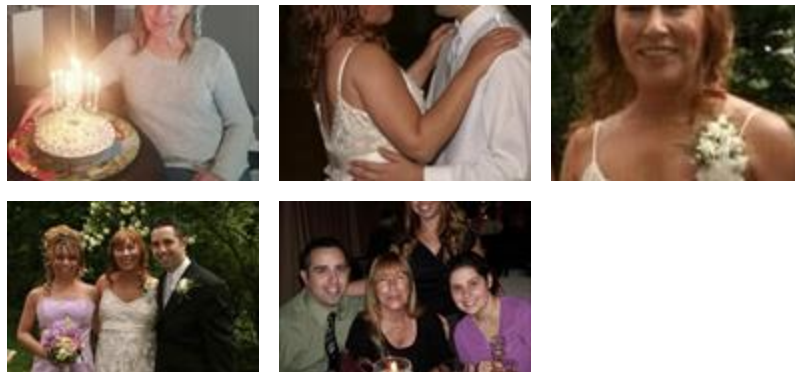
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“ Carol and I was good friends we worked together on the school bus 3 for many years . Had so many fun times.I was proud , Carol also was one of my Bride maid in my wedding. So many funny and wow moments that we never had a quiet time together. We would say it's the name. Rest In Peace . Carol A Shippee

carol shippee - June 01, 2023 at 02:42 AM

AS

“ 9 files added to the tribute wall



Anabela Spano - May 31, 2023 at 11:53 PM

AS

She was a beautiful person both inside and out. She embodied grace, poise, serenity, understanding and unconditional love. I was lucky enough to have known her for many years and she influenced me to be a better person. I will miss her dearly and know that she will still show her presence in spirit. Rest in Eternal Peace.

Anabela Spano - June 01, 2023 at 12:02 AM

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“ 188 files added to the album Mom throughout the years



Carolyn Soares - May 31, 2023 at 10:50 PM