



## Elizabeth M. Oliver

April 18, 2025

Elizabeth M. Oliver, 62, formerly of Bangor, Maine, passed away peacefully surrounded by loved ones. Born on January 25, 1962, she was the beloved daughter of the late Maria C. Aponte and Jose M. Oliver.

Elizabeth was a proud veteran of the U.S. Coast Guard and later dedicated over 20 years of service to the United States Postal Service, working in both Ohio and Kentucky. She was also a skilled swimming instructor in Puerto Rico, where she lived for many years and developed a deep love for animals, rescuing countless dogs from the streets and giving them a second chance at life.

In 2005, at the age of 43, Elizabeth's life changed after a car accident left her a quadriplegic. Despite the immense challenges, her determination and spirit never wavered. In 2014, she discovered a passion for painting. With great effort and courage, she taught herself to paint freehand and created dozens of remarkable pieces. Visitors were often left in awe of her talent, and although many offered to purchase her artwork, she never sold a single piece. Her family will be donating many of her paintings in her memory—to serve as a reminder that no matter your limitations, you can still create beauty and achieve your dreams.

Elizabeth was predeceased by her parents, Maria and Jose, and her brothers

Jose M. Oliver and James Oliver. She is survived by her siblings: Charles Oliver, Frances A. Oliver, Jeannette M. Oliver, and Susanne M. Oliver (Carlton), as well as many extended family members and dear friends.

She was also predeceased by her two loving dogs Chippie and Bambi who she is now reunited with.

Her family would like to express their deepest gratitude to all those who supported Elizabeth throughout her journey: her devoted CNAs, physicians, physical therapists, case managers, social workers, and most recently the compassionate teams at Friendly Home in Woonsocket and Continuum Hospice. Your care and kindness helped Elizabeth live with dignity, purpose, and joy.

Elizabeth was deeply loved and will be missed by all who had the privilege of knowing her. She was a true inspiration, showing us all the strength of the human spirit.

Funeral Services are respectfully private.

Donations in Elizabeth's Memory may be made to ASPCA, <https://secure.aspc.org/donate>

# Tribute Wall

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“ My thoughts and prayers are with Lisa's family. Regrettably, I was unaware of the turn her life had taken. I remember her as a caring, passionate, and loving person but mostly I remember the fun we had together.

Once a long time ago, we were taking a walk with Chispie at the Ohio State University campus. I looked up and said to her "Isn't that your car that is being towed". Turns out she had a few unpaid parking tickets! LOL! We also worked together as lifeguards at the Harley Hotel in Columbus, Ohio. I learned to cook tostones. She tried to teach me some Spanish. It was pretty hopeless but we laughed alot. God blessed me knowing her!

*RIP my friend! I'll see you on the other side!*

*Joy Jackson*



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