



Marie Lila Amaral

March 11, 2024

Marie Lila Amaral of Swansea, MA passed away on Monday, March 11, 2024 at The Miriam Hospital with loving family and friends by her side. She was 69. Born on August 4, 1954 in Faial, Azores, she was the daughter of the late Joao Correira Vargas and Maria Rodrigues (Silva) Vargas. Marie emigrated to the United States as a child with her family in 1959 and graduated from Bristol High School in 1972.

Marie was the beloved owner of the June Rose Salon in Warren, RI until recently when she retired in 2023. She began working as a hairdresser in 1972 for the previous owner and namesake, June Rose, and a few years later Marie purchased the salon and became a treasured fixture on Main Street for decades. Marie's customers were not just clients, they quickly became dear and life-long friends. She provided many first haircuts for her client's children, last haircuts for client's wakes and everything in-between, cherishing being a part of those special moments. Her kind-hearted spirit, wit and endless compassion made her easy to love and hard to forget. When not cutting hair and warming hearts, Marie loved spending time with her friends and family, dining out, traveling, and relaxing by the ocean or the pool, making all those around her smile.

She leaves behind a sister, Louise and her husband Alan Weil of Rye, NY, her beloved niece Devin Weil of Los Angeles, CA and nephew Zach Weil, his wife

Nicole and their 2 children, also of Rye, NY as well as several aunts, uncles, cousins and countless friends who will dearly miss her warmth, humor, and endless strength and determination. Marie valiantly fought cancer for nearly 40 years but never let it define her or slow her down. Through every setback and all her pain she moved forward with a smile and her faith. She is and will always be an inspiration to us all.

To honor Marie's life, family and friends are invited to attend a Mass of Christian Burial held at St. Elizabeth Church in Bristol on Wednesday, March 20, 2024 at 11:00 a.m.. Immediately after, Marie will be laid to rest in The Cremation Gardens at the North Burial Grounds in Bristol and a Celebration of Life luncheon will be held at DeWolf's Tavern Restaurant in Bristol. All are welcome to attend.

In lieu of flowers, contributions in her memory may be made to the Breast Cancer Alliance or the Gateway for Cancer Research through their websites.

Cemetery Details

The Cremation Garden at the North Burial Grounds

1081 Hope Street
Bristol, RI 02809

Previous Events

Mass of Christian Burial

MAR 20. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Elizabeth Church
577 Wood Street
Bristol, RI 02809

Tribute Wall

CS

“ Oh my Marie....I am devastated that you are gone...I am so glad we were friends for 35 years. Now you may rest in peace like my mom...no more pain..no more suffering...I will miss you my friend deeply..□

Christine Servais - March 25, 2024 at 05:41 AM

NR

“ Marie was a wonderful person, who was an example of courage and perseverance. I will always remember her friendship. My heart goes out to her family and friends. I would have responded sooner, but just discovered the tragic news. She will be sorely missed. Please accept my sincere condolences. God Bless her soul. Nancy Richard, Bristol, RI

Nancy Richard - March 21, 2024 at 01:56 PM

KP

“ I am so upset of this sad news. My deepest condolences to Marie's family and all the great friends she had that I meet at June Rose Salon that she owned and worked at for many years. She was a beautiful person and she will be missed by all. Rest in Peace Marie and we are thankful you are no longer in pain. Karen Petersen

SS

Karen A Petersen - March 19, 2024 at 02:12 PM

BM

“ Marie was one of the most selfless, loving people that I have ever met. She was also tough as nails. She never complained and always kept her faith in God on point. We used to always joke she was a luddite as the only check I ever wrote these days was for my haircut - "NO Credit Cards Mick!" :) We will miss her terribly but it is comforting to know that she is now pain free with Jesus. Our family are better people for having had her in our lives. Rest in Peace Marie - we love and miss you and will think of you often!

Bryan McWilliams - March 18, 2024 at 05:29 PM

DS

“ I am heartbroken over this sad news. She was my hairdresser for decades, and I kept in touch with her a lot since she closed her shop. I am at least grateful that she is no longer suffering. She was a wonderful, kind person, and I will certainly miss her.

Dawn Silvia - March 18, 2024 at 05:17 PM

EO

One trip to June Rose, and you knew you were in the presence of unique spirit. Her vitality belied her physical difficulties, and her devotion to gaiety and positivity in the face of all she's had to deal with over the years, will always be an inspiration to anyone who knew her.

Ellen O'Connor - March 19, 2024 at 07:26 PM

SS

“ My heart is broken. My deepest condolences to Marie's family.
RIP Marie!

Sandee Supancic - March 18, 2024 at 12:15 PM

FD

“ *Faye Detsky-Weil lit a candle in memory of Marie Lila Amaral*



Faye Detsky-Weil - March 17, 2024 at 04:09 AM

HK

“ *Holly Kestler lit a candle in memory of Marie Lila Amaral*



Holly kestler - March 16, 2024 at 05:26 PM

JM

“ *Hello everything
I'm sorry everything. I met rose June hair style 35 years. I Prayer
everything best Jill Merlin is Deaf*

Jill Merlin - March 16, 2024 at 03:56 PM