



Darlene Gardener

August 12, 1946 - June 10, 2021

Darlene P. Gardener, 74, of East Windsor, passed away on Thursday, June 10th after a brief illness at Penn Medical Center surrounded by her family. She was born in Jersey City and grew up in Brick Town, NJ.

She graduated from Ann May School of Nursing in Neptune, NJ. During her long career as a registered nurse she worked at various hospitals. For 25 years she worked in the maternity ward at CentraState Medical Center in Freehold. She retired from there after being diagnosed with pancreatic cancer and survived an amazing 20 years. She was dedicated to her family and friends, especially her grandchildren who she loved to spoil. To know her was to love her.

She was predeceased by her devoted husband William Gardener, Jr.; her parents Joseph and Elaine Cassell; and her brother Joseph Cassell, Jr. She is survived by her children William J., III; Brett and his wife Elizabeth; Brandy and her husband Anthony Restuccia; Becky and her husband Barry Coleridge; four grandchildren Sara, William, Logan, Emma; one great-grandchild Adrianna; sister Patricia Carver and her husband Dennis; and many nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be private. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Davita Dialysis. For online condolences, please visit her memorial page at ww.bongarzonefuneralhome.com .

Tribute Wall

JJ

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



John A. Schemmer, Jr - December 29, 2021 at 03:03 PM

JJ

“ John A. Schemmer, Jr sent a virtual gift in memory of Darlene Gardener



John A. Schemmer, Jr - December 29, 2021 at 03:01 PM

MF

“ Darlene's son, Bill, who is a friend of our office, often spoke fondly of his mom. We wish to express our condolences to Bill and his family. Prayers for peace from all of us at Dr. Mary Flanagan's office.

Mary Flanagan - August 04, 2021 at 02:50 PM

PM

“ My deepest condolences for your loss. Darlene and I worked together at centra state hospital, for many years. She was a caring dedicated nurse. I'm saddened by her passing. God bless to all.

Priscilla Moriarty 🙏🙏

priscilla moriarty - June 17, 2021 at 10:54 AM

LM

“ Dear Family,
Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this sad time. Darlene was a very good friend of mine in nursing school. Such a sweetheart. I visited frequently in Brick spending many nights..having dinner, and later sandwiches all around the dining room table. What a wonderful family..the best! Wonderful memories come flooding in of all our good times.
May Darlene rest in peace free of pain and may we all treasure our fond memories of her.
Sending warm sympathy hugs and love,
Lynn Macbeth 732-842-4285
XOXO

Lynn MacBeth - June 16, 2021 at 01:13 PM

MR

“ Darlene was a wonderful, warm woman who always had a smile on her face and twinkle in her eye. Her kindness and love for her family will not be forgotten. Sending lots of love and our deepest sympathies during this very difficult time. The Rich Family - Melissa, Mike, Sophie and Sarah

Melissa Rich - June 15, 2021 at 08:50 AM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Darlene Gardener.



June 14, 2021 at 11:14 AM

BG

“ I will always remember Mrs. Gardener as a hard-working woman who adored and loved her family. I was always welcome in her home and she made me feel like family. She will be missed.
-- Billy Gavigan

Billy Gavigan - June 14, 2021 at 11:10 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Darlene Gardener.



June 14, 2021 at 10:34 AM



“ *Joyful Memory* was purchased for the family of Darlene Gardener.



June 14, 2021 at 10:30 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Darlene Gardener.



June 14, 2021 at 08:52 AM

BL

“ I only knew Darlene for a short time. I was having lunch with Billy and some mutual friends when we first met. I thought she was a sweet, warm and a lovely lady. My sincere and deepest condolences to her family during this very sad time. May all your memories that you shared together forever remain in your hearts. She truly will be missed.

Barbara Lifshitz - June 12, 2021 at 05:40 PM

BH

“ Bongarzone Funeral Home lit a candle in memory of Darlene Gardener



Bongarzone Funeral Home - June 12, 2021 at 03:18 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Darlene Gardener.



June 12, 2021 at 11:53 AM



“ Heavenly Heights Bouquet was purchased for the family of Darlene Gardener.



June 12, 2021 at 10:09 AM

JK

“ *My husband and I met Darlene whilst we visited Brandy and Tony and found her a wonderful warm and loving lady. Our deepest condolences to the whole family at this extremely sad time. You are all in our prayers and thoughts her in the U. K xx*



Julie and Max Knowles - June 12, 2021 at 12:03 AM

RK

“ *I met Darlene 46 years ago at her parents house.. we would always get together when she visited her parents home in Bricktown... I watched all her children grow up to be beautiful young adults.. we made many memories together. Darlene was a beautiful loving person... Rest In Peace my friend... May all your family hold all the beautiful memories you all made together close to their hearts ❤️ ... till we meet again. 💕💕*

Regina Kiesche - June 11, 2021 at 08:13 PM