



Corinne Y. Pangelina

January 18, 1938 - January 6, 2023

Corinne Yvonne Pangelina passed away peacefully on Friday, January 6th, following a long illness. Corinne was born to Cora Lou Vita and John C. Wakefield, in Carlsbad, New Mexico, where she lived until moving to Benicia, CA in 1943. She graduated from Benicia High School in 1956, where she was an honor student and a majorette for the school's marching band. Immediately after high school, she got a job in the Benicia Arsenal, and later worked for the Internal Revenue Service in San Francisco. Corinne worked at Mare Island Naval Shipyard in Vallejo, where she retired as a Journeyman Sailmaker in 1993 after 30 years of service. After that, she worked for several years as an assistant childcare provider at her daughter's home daycare, and was known lovingly as "Grandma Corinna" to dozens of children in the Benicia area, as well as to her own grandchildren. Corinne married Atilano (Art) Pangelina of Merced, CA in 1958, at St. Dominic's Church in Benicia. They raised their three children, John, Mark, and Diana, in Benicia,

where they continued to live until Art passed away, and Corinne moved to Vacaville, CA in 1987.

Corinne had multiple hobbies and interests. She loved the San Francisco Giants, rarely missed watching a game, and especially loved her annual trips to Arizona to attend Spring Training. She was also an avid Oakland Raiders fan, and a longtime season ticket holder, attending all the home games for many years. She loved reading, and always had a stack of library books. She loved watching movies. She did the New York Times crossword and WORDL puzzles daily, and always had a jigsaw puzzle in progress. She loved caring for her prized african violets, poinsettia, and orchid plants, making trips to casinos to play slots, wagering on football pools, baking, and quilting. She loved hosting family holidays, and especially loved dressing up as Santa Claus every Christmas to make "surprise" visits to deliver gifts to her family, which became a beloved family tradition. She will be incredibly missed by all who knew her.

Corinne was preceded in death by her husband Art in 1987, and her son John in 2015. Also by her parents John and Lou Vita Wakefield, and her brothers, Jerald and Bruce Wakefield.

She is survived by her son, Mark (Tami) Pangelina, and daughter Diana Pangelina

Mamere; her grandchildren Jonathan Fryman, Nicholas (Alicia) Mamere, Nathan

Mamere, Tabitha (Angelo) Perez, and Donny Rice Jr.; sisters Nona Maye Wakefield and

Wanda Lugene Martinez; Great grandchildren Kailah and Angleo Perez Jr., and multiple

nieces, nephews, cousins, Godchildren, inlaws, and longtime friends.

Vigil service will be held at 6:00 pm on Friday, January 20th at Passalacqua Funeral Chapel in Benicia. Memorial services will be held at 1:00 pm on Saturday,

January 21st at Passalacqua Funeral Chapel. Burial will be in the family plot at Benicia

City Cemetery, at a later date. The family prefers donations to St. Judes Hospital or The Special Olympics.

Previous Events

Vigil services

JAN 20. 6:00 PM (PT)

Passalacqua Funeral Chapel
901 W Second Street
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Memorial Service

JAN 21. 1:00 PM (PT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ There is another star in the heavens tonight and a hole in my heart. My memory bank is full of Corinne stories about her keeping me on the straight and narrow when I was in need of a minder. She was more big sister than a cousin. I'm a better person for having her in my life at an early age.

She was gracious and welcoming when I started my own family. We all miss her. A lot.

Stan and Susie Graham

Stan Graham - January 24, 2023 at 11:38 AM

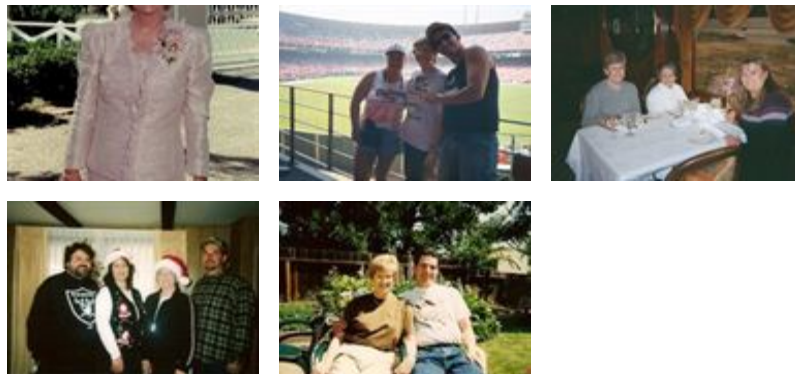
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Thank you, Stan. Mom loved you and Susie very much. She had lots of stories of you and Steve growing up, too. So many wondercul family adventures and memories. Love you guys. 💖🌟

Diana Mamere - January 26, 2023 at 02:52 PM



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Passalacqua Funeral Chapel - January 19, 2023 at 03:40 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Corinne Y. Pangelina.*



January 18, 2023 at 02:53 AM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Corinne Y. Pangelina.*



January 15, 2023 at 03:53 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Corinne Y. Pangelina.*



January 14, 2023 at 03:01 PM



“ *I'm am so sorry for your loss. Sending prayers to you all.*

Frank and Patty Carvalho - January 10, 2023 at 09:17 PM