



Mary Gotelli

January 4, 1952 - August 14, 2022

A beloved Wife, Mother, Grammy, Sister, and Friend, Mary Gotelli peacefully passed surrounded by family after a long and courageous fight with cancer. She graduated Albany High School in 1970. She enjoyed spending her youth at Lake Berryessa where she met her soulmate, Gene, at 13 years old. They went on to get married in 1972 and moved to Benicia in 1977 where they went on to create a beautiful life and raise their two children. She called Benicia home and was a resident for the past 45 years.

She began her career at Cutter Labs in August 1972 as a payroll clerk and retired as head of accounting from Bayer pharmaceuticals in April 2013.

Mom was the backbone of our family. She was so kind, patient, and loved everyone for who they were and always saw the best in them. She was a true peacemaker and mother to all.

She was an avid lover of Disney and enjoyed frequent family trips to Disneyland over the years. She absolutely loved holidays and made each celebration so special. She loved baking and crafting with her grandkids and enjoyed attending her grandchildren's school functions, dance recitals, and sporting events.

Mary is preceded in death by her husband, Gene Gotelli and her loving

parents, Norman and Betty Koerner. She is survived by her children Erin (Ryan) Gotelli Skidmore and Nick (Sara) Gotelli, Grandchildren: Ryan Jr (Camille), Jonathan (Katelynn) Skidmore, Bradley, Jina, Nicky, Aviana and Canaan; Great-grandchildren: Jackson, Annabelle, Madeline Skidmore. Siblings Jack Koerner and Barbara (Joe) Sorrentino; Brother-in-law John (Shirley) Gotelli, along with many wonderful nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Visitation will be Monday, August 29 at 6-8pm at Passalacqua Funeral Chapel and Funeral will be held Tuesday, August 30 at 1pm also at the Passalacqua Funeral Chapel. In lieu of flowers, family prefer donations to be made to The Cholangiocarcinoma Foundation or St. Jude Hospital.

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG **29**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM.

Passalacqua Funeral Chapel And Funeral

Funeral Services

AUG **30**. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (PT)

Passalacqua Funeral Chapel

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Tribute Wall



“ *Mary Gotelli*

November 29, 2022 at 08:20 PM



“ *3 files added to the album To Mary from far away for the good times*



Robert Gainford - August 24, 2022 at 11:48 PM

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“*Mary is now ahead of us on her journey back to God. I can only imagine her in awe and all love embracing view.*

I will remember her in my prayer. I will remember her in my childhood memories when Nick and I were only little ones, always getting into mischief. I will remember eating her delicious decorative seasonal holiday cakes, her taking me with the family to Disney on Ice, to driving us to fishing at Benicia pier, to camping with the family, to her sitting in her lounge chair reading another Mills and Moon romance book, to her laughing when Gene would embrace her in the kitchen while he was cooking up some spicy Italian meal, to her yearly spring house cleaning regime, where nobody would escape having to clean up her house non stop for a week, including myself.

Bless you Nick and your family in the grief you are now in. Your mother was a special person and was blessed on earth with all the love she had from her family and friends. I hope she gets to see your father soon and maybe have a dance together like they did at Erin's wedding all those years ago (I believe it was her wedding ... I remember your Dad suited and booted working the tables with all his charm and your mother in a dress, them embraced and in love).

God bless you Mary and may you now be at peace.

Sean

Sean Gainford - August 24, 2022 at 01:26 PM