



## Liya Lisikyan

November 13, 1932 - July 20, 2017

Liya Lisikyan died peacefully surrounded by her family on Thursday July 20 in Nashville, TN at the age of 84.

Liya is survived by her children, Igor Gukasov (Tatiana Yastrebova) and Irina Gukasova, and her granddaughter Anastasia Gukasova, all of Nashville, TN. She is preceded in death by husband Yuriy Gukasov of Nashville, TN, her brother Ivan Lisikov, Dushanbe, Tajikistan, and her sister Nadezhda Kotigorohovskaya, Sevastopol, Russia.

Liya was born on November 13, 1932 in Baku, Azerbaijan to Leon Lisikov and Maria Mukhtarova. She married Yuriy Gukasov, a prominent jazz musician and artisan in 1966. Liya worked as a Structural Engineer in Baku for over 38 years. With her arrival to the U.S., Liya and her family settled in Nashville where she worked at The Renaissance hotel downtown for over 10 years. Her children, friends, co-workers, and everyone who ever met Liya, remember her as a kind, gentle, patient, determined, and hard-working mother and friend.

Liya was a generous person who enjoyed the company of friends, old and new, and always loved cooking for them. Her sense of humor delighted everyone who got to know her. Liya's passion was gardening. Especially roses.

Funeral services include Visitation at 10AM - 12 Noon Tuesday July 25 at Phillips-Robinson Funeral Home (2707 Gallatin Pike, Nashville) and Interment at Mount Olivet Cemetery (1101 Lebanon Pike, Nashville), Section 23 at 1PM.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Liya Lisikyan*

October 14, 2022 at 08:02 PM



“ *I am very sorry for your loss. I always loved Liya and Yuriy and they have a special place in my heart. My prayers goes out to your family*

**Ron Sapino** - July 25, 2017 at 09:46 PM



“ *Just learned about the loss of your mother, Liya, and our thoughts and prayers are with you and the family. She was a fine lady and I enjoyed working with her at the Renaissance Nashville Hotel.*

**Shelby Ellis-Mann** - July 25, 2017 at 06:21 PM



“ *Irina, I am sorry I didn't have the opportunity to meet your mother and thank her for the gift of you. Holding you and yours close to heart, with love and much empathy.*

**Denise and Rick Williams** - July 25, 2017 at 12:47 PM



“ *Liya was a kind, gentle, and loving soul. She exemplified what we all should strive to be. I will always remember her caring hugs and kisses. She will be missed! My thoughts and prayers are with Liya's family. Much love, Susan*

**Susan Tuck** - July 25, 2017 at 04:06 AM

AB

“ *Irina and Igor and family,  
It was sad to hear from Julie that your mom had passed away. I'm glad we spent time with her recently. She has always been so sweet to me and genuinely happy to see those that she was friends with. May you have peace as you deal with this time in your life. Let's get together for a visit soon.*

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**Amy Bagwell** - July 25, 2017 at 03:10 AM

MM

“ *Dea Irina and family - I am deeply saddened by the loss of your mother. Her wonderful and gentle soul will forever remain in our hearts.*

*Please accept our most heartfelt condolences .*

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**Marco and Rosanna Minuta** - July 25, 2017 at 02:21 AM

SS

“ *Irina I am so sorry. Your Mom made me feel so welcome and special when I met her. Praying for your family. Love you.*

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**Shirley Smith** - July 25, 2017 at 01:56 AM

JZ

“ *Thinking of you both, Irina & Jon. I'm sure your love and care meant everything to her.  
Love to both,  
Jan.*

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**Jan Zijlstra** - July 25, 2017 at 12:32 AM

HA

“ *Love to you all.*

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**Helen Ashford** - July 24, 2017 at 11:20 PM

MA

“ Peace for you IRINA John and all her friends and family

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**MarilynRawding** - July 24, 2017 at 10:58 PM

ML

“ So sorry for your loss. Peace to you and your family.

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**Martin Lynds** - July 24, 2017 at 10:57 PM

MD

“ Sorry for you loss she was a very sweet person and always had a smile on her face and every time she saw me she would give me a hug and offer something to eat. she will be dearly missed

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**Marla and Bobbi Dorfman** - July 24, 2017 at 10:12 PM

MJ

“ Irina,  
I's so sorry I can't be there. Your mom was such a beautiful woman and was so giving and caring. I loved her smile and generosity of opening her home to me. I love you all and will keep you all in my prayers during this difficult time. You were an amazing daughter.

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**Modesta Johnson** - July 24, 2017 at 06:19 PM