



Valerie Joy Wynn

October 16, 1951 - December 5, 2020

Valerie Joy Wynn, age 69 of Nashville, Tennessee, passed away Saturday, December 5, 2020 after a courageous four-year battle with ovarian cancer. She was born a proud second-generation Italian American in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania October 16, 1951.

She came to our city as a young woman to attend Tennessee State University where she graduated with honors and a MS in Psychology. She stayed and dedicated herself to the citizens of Nashville and to serve victims of domestic and sexual violence. After several years as a Metropolitan Police Department Crisis Counselor in the Domestic Violence Division she left and founded the Mary Parrish Center for Victims of Domestic and Sexual Violence transitional housing program. Valerie served as the executive director for fourteen years and during that time she gave aid and comfort to over 8,000 survivors of domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking and child abuse. In addition to her loving care of Nashville, she also served as a consultant and lecturer to the US State Department. Fighting for and expanding the civil rights of women she worked with governments, communities and advocates in China, Turkey, Cyprus, Mauritius, Brazil, Micronesia, Moldova, the Republic of Georgia, Namibia, and Ghana. Her legacy will be in the many lives she saved and the love, laughter and light she gave to her family and friends.

Valerie was preceded in death by her parents, Hannah and John Cochuvella,

and sister Janet Marinelli. She is survived by her brother Johnny Cochuvella, her husband Lt. Mark Wynn (ret) of Nashville and her beloved friend Laura Markward of Ann Arbor, Michigan.

A celebration of Valerie's life will be held December 9th at Phillips-Robinson Funeral Home at 11AM. Everyone in attendance is required to wear masks and maintain social distancing. Food and Drink are not allowed at this time.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Mary Parrish Center for Victims of Domestic and Sexual Violence <https://www.maryparrish.org/>

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

DEC 9. 11:00 AM - 11:30 AM (CT)

Phillips-Robinson Funeral Home
2707 Gallatin Pike, Nashville, TN US 37216
Nashville, TN 37216

Tribute Wall



“ Valerie Joy Wynn

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“ Valerie was (and will always be) an amazing spirit. She brought so much love and grace to her work, her friendships, and to her beautiful love affair with her beloved husband. Valerie, we will keep your vision alive, and we will always be inspired by everything you were. Blessings and peace to you,
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“ Jimmy Crutcher with Love

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