



Denise Lynn Ward

February 2, 2019

Denise Lynn Ward, (nee Salette), age 65, passed away at her home in Philadelphia, PA., surrounded by family on Saturday, February 2, 2019. She was born on March 9, 1953, in Philadelphia to Vince and Irene (nee Walker) Salette. Denise attended St. Timothy's Grade School in Mayfair, St. Hubert's Catholic High School for Girls, going on to attend Holy Family University. She then earned her PhD in microbiology from Jefferson University, where she went on to have a fulfilling career in the lab and teaching. Following her retirement from Jefferson, she earned a PhD in metaphysics from the American Institute of Holistic Theology. On October 25, 1974, she married Brian Anthony Ward. Together they had two sons, Brian and Vinnie.

Denise is survived by her husband Brian, her sons Brian (Jennifer) and Vinnie, her grandchildren Brian and Sophia, and her sister Debra (Chris) Weidner.

Denise traveled around the world, but her love was entertaining in her home, and helping her loved ones entertain in their homes as well.

An accomplished alchemist, she coaxed a flourishing garden of blooms from cuttings she nurtured until they were strong enough to take root. "Namaste."

In lieu of flowers, donations in Denise's memory may be made to:

Doctors Without Borders

Online - doctorswithoutborders.org

Phone - 1-212-703 5779

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 9. 8:30 AM - 10:00 AM (ET)

Presentation BVM Church
100 Old Soldiers Rd.
Cheltenham, PA 19012
<http://presentationbvm.org>

Funeral Mass

FEB 9. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ 105 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Foley Funeral Home - February 09, 2019 at 05:52 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Denise Lynn Ward.



February 08, 2019 at 11:17 AM



“ *Dear Brian, Debbie and Family,*
Saddened to hear of Denise's passing, she was such a sweetheart.
With thoughts and prayers,
Dave and Maureen Sweeney
Xo



Maureen - February 08, 2019 at 10:28 AM



“ *I recall you, Debbie, Maryanne and I having a show in your basement. We were the Beatles, I was Ringo playing the drums. Our parents were also friends and went to each other houses during the holidays . Salettes. Marcellos, Piergos, Urbanskis and the Borecks. Us kids use to hang out when the parents drank!!! Haha. Debbie, Denise will always be with you. You have many memories that no one can take away.*



Debbie Marcello Gillard - February 07, 2019 at 07:12 PM



Brian, Vinny and Brian, so sorry that you loss your beautiful wife and Mom she welcolmed me in her home and made one of the family, prayers and condolences from Barb and Tom.

Tom O'Drain - February 08, 2019 at 07:29 PM

MB

“ *Denise was my friend and mentor at Jefferson. She taught me much about microbiology and lab management- and taught me quickly so we could continue with stories and smiles and contemplation about life . We remained friends through time and distance. There were never enough minutes to spend together. I loved her wit, her smile, her sparkling eyes. Thank you, Denise, for all we shared.*



M de Baca - February 07, 2019 at 12:50 AM

RK

“ *Brian, My deepest condolences to you and your family. Denise was a lovely person. You are in my thoughts and prayers at this very sad time.*
Rich Kramer

Rich Kramer - February 06, 2019 at 07:41 PM

KM

“ *I first met Denise when our children, Brian and Jennifer, got engaged. Many years progressed with our family sharing events and celebrations. Denise was always a beautiful and loving person. She loved to entertain and her meals were delicious. When you asked about a dish, she would say "It practically makes itself". She looked beautiful in her sparkling gown at Brian and Jen's wedding. When the grandchildren were born, Brian and Sophia, we just adored them and loved watching them experience everything new. Sophia could be Denise's twin. She would cook with them and they would help serve the meals. Sophia would put her own touch on decorating the table with many of Nonna's things. One of my favorites was when Denise would play the piano and the grandchildren would dance. We shared such beautiful memories. I will keep her memory alive with the grandchildren so they will never forget her love for them. I will love and miss her everyday and keep her in my heart forever.*



Kathy Moore - February 06, 2019 at 12:22 PM



“ - purchased the *Peaceful White Lilies Basket* for the family of *Denise Lynn Ward*.



-- February 06, 2019 at 12:18 PM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet* was purchased for the family of *Denise Lynn Ward*.



February 05, 2019 at 09:28 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of *Denise Lynn Ward*.



February 05, 2019 at 09:04 PM

DW

“ *My beautiful sister, my friend, my protector, my guardian angel! Fly high and watch over us all! Love and miss you dearly!*



Debbie Salette Weidner - February 05, 2019 at 07:52 PM

JW

“ *What can I say about my beloved mother in law? She did not believe in linear time, so we are together across dimensions in eternity! She believed in angels, and she is a sweet angel now. Goodbye for now, Denise, our candle in the wind.*



Jen Ward - February 04, 2019 at 10:27 PM



“ Our deepest sympathy for you and your entire family Brian.. we are all praying for the strength and love to keep beautiful memories in your hearts always.. your mom will forever watch over all of you .. heaven gained another wonderful soul.

*Deepest sympathies and Love,
Romano and Burnitskie Families*



Theresa Burnitskie - February 04, 2019 at 09:19 PM