



Marianne "Micki" Clarke

November 8, 1951 - August 22, 2018

Marianne "Micki" Clarke passed peacefully into the afterlife on August 22, 2018 after a long battle with cancer.

Micki was an extraordinary woman, wife, mom and grandmother whose love for her family could barely be contained. Likewise, she is loved, missed, and will be cherished always by the people whose lives she blessed.

She was born in Cleveland, Ohio to James & Elizabeth (Mariano) Kasper on November 8, 1951. The only girl, Micki had five brothers (Frank, James, Donald, Rick, and Dale) that made her tough as nails. Micki graduated from Cleveland South High School in the Slavic Village neighborhood. She had a kind and compassionate heart, and believed in helping those in need. Following her high school graduation, she worked as a candy striper where she met Kenneth Balata. They married and had two children, Melissa and Kevin.

Micki went back to school and became a medical assistant who devoted herself to children and worked at a pediatrician's office.

Micki later met the love of her life Jeffrey Clarke. They married in 2005 and made their home in Mentor. That year, Micki received her diagnosis.

Micki was a cancer warrior. For thirteen years, she courageously battled the disease even when she felt she couldn't go on. She was driven by the love and desire to be with her family and watch her grandchildren grow. Through her bravery, strength and sense of humor, Micki showed us how to appreciate the gifts of life and family.

Micki had a love of musicals, especially Phantom of the Opera, concerts, the Browns, Indians, Lake Erie Monsters, and occasionally toilet papering her unsuspecting friends' yards.

Above all, Micki's grandchildren were her greatest joy. "Grama," as she liked to be called, was their biggest fan. Micki loved attending their sporting events. She would often be seen (and heard) in the bleachers with a sign or a cowbell. Micki was best known for loudly yelling "Woo hoo!" whenever her grandchildren made a good play.

Micki was preceded in death by her parents and her beloved granddaughter, Ellie Godina.

She is survived by her husband, Jeffrey Clarke; daughter Melissa (Jay) Macejko; son Kevin (Stephanie) Balata; step-son Jeffrey (Kristen) Clarke; step-daughter Melissa (Joe) Godina; grandchildren Joseph & Joshua Macejko, Joey, Johnny & Joelle Godina, and Killian Clarke; her brothers, Frank, James, Donald, Rick & Dale Kasper; and many nephews and nieces.

The family wishes to extend their gratitude to Western Reserve Hospice for the loving care that Micki received at the end of her battle.

In lieu of flowers, please make donations in her name to the American Cancer Society, the Western Reserve Hospice, or to the charity of your choice.

Visitation will be on Saturday, August 25, 2018 from 2 to 6pm at the Monreal Funeral Home, 35400 Curtis Blvd., Eastlake. Followed by a Funeral Service at 6pm.

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG **25**. 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

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Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket* was purchased for the family of Marianne "Micki" Clarke.



August 25, 2018 at 11:16 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Marianne "Micki" Clarke.



August 24, 2018 at 08:50 PM



“ *Arrive in Style* was purchased for the family of Marianne "Micki" Clarke.



August 24, 2018 at 02:34 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet* was purchased for the family of Marianne "Micki" Clarke.



August 24, 2018 at 01:06 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Marianne "Micki" Clarke.*



August 23, 2018 at 04:19 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Marianne "Micki" Clarke.*



August 23, 2018 at 02:49 PM



“ *Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Marianne "Micki" Clarke.*



August 23, 2018 at 02:40 PM