



Mrs. Heidi P. DeMaso

December 27, 1947 - October 18, 2025

Heidi P. DeMaso passed away peacefully on October 18, 2025 at her home in Cortland, NY. Heidi was born on December 27, 1947 during the Great Blizzard of 1947 in Hartford, CT. Heidi was cherished as a mother, grandmother, sister, and friend and will be deeply missed by her family and friends. She is survived by her daughter Kristen (Kinley Koop) Lockhart, her grandchildren, Kaitlyn and Ian Lockhart, her brothers, Russell (Robert Burns) and Alan Peterson, her brother-in-laws, Fred (Mary Ellen Devlin) DeMaso and Stuart Grasmeyer, and special friends, the Barber family (Annette, Dennis, Joshua, Samantha, and Helaena). She is also survived by several cousins. Heidi was pre-deceased by her son, Kevin, her parents, William and Marjorie Peterson, her sister, Gloria Peterson, and her ex-husband, Joseph DeMaso.

Heidi earned a bachelor's degree from SUNY Cortland. She was a teacher's aide at Homer Central High School for several years, then became a social worker, helping many teens and families in Cortland County. Heidi enjoyed her retirement after working for so many years.

Heidi was well-known for her quick sense of humor and her love of being a grandmother to Kaitlyn and Ian. She was so proud of her grandchildren, for who they are and how devoted they are to their education. She enjoyed having her "one and only" dog Tanner. She enjoyed her vacations in Maine and Cape Cod with her family. Heidi had an amazing circle of friends, often

spending time with them having coffee, talking, and visiting the bagel shop. She spent most Wednesday nights at the Barber family's home having dinner. Heidi enjoyed going to concerts and Broadway shows, seeing over 10 concerts and shows in her last year of life, including the Taylor Swift Eras Tour concert with her daughter. Heidi followed all things about pop culture. She loved streaming shows, listening to music, and reading.

Family and friends can join us at Glenwood Cemetery for a graveside service on Saturday, November 1 at 11 am.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that you consider donating to the Center for the Arts of Homer, a place she loved, in memory of Heidi. Arrangements are under the direction of Riccardi Funeral Home, Cortland, N.Y.

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Tribute Wall

MB

“ I cannot believe Heidi has passed! I am so sad! I had no idea! She had been a great friend for so many years. I am so shocked. My thoughts are with you all. Melissa Bramley

Melissa Bramley - March 07 at 08:46 AM

EW

“ Hadn't heard from Heidi for a while. Was not aware of her passing. My name is Earl Weir and I'm a second cousin, from northern NH. Heidi used to visit us when all you folks went to the Cape. My condolences to the family. I will miss her also.

Earl Weir - January 17 at 09:02 AM

AB

“ I was so saddened to hear of Hiedi's passing. What a wonderful woman she was to so many. I enjoyed catching her in the mornings while she was either waiting for the "girls" to have coffee or if she was one of the last ones to finish her coffee. Annette, I know you will miss the hell
Out of your dear friend, I send you hugs. And all my prayers to her family during this difficult time.

Amy Buggs - October 25, 2025 at 09:19 AM

LG

“ i was good friends with her daughter Kristen going up and my mom was good friends with Mrs Demaso I remember going to see Whitney Houson and Tina Turner when I was in high school with her and Kristen, and even in 2010 going to a NYY spring training game. Great person will be missed!

Leslie Granato - October 23, 2025 at 04:29 PM

KW

“ *Kathy Walker lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Heidi P. DeMaso*



Kathy Walker - October 23, 2025 at 09:29 AM