



Chrystyna M Rigby

May 17, 1944 - November 11, 2020

Chrystyna M. Rigby of Marydel, DE left this world peacefully to be with the Lord on Wednesday, November 11, 2020, at the age of 76. Chrystyna was born in Austria on May 17, 1944 to Mykola and Maria (Kostyuchok) Mandycz. Her family came to the United States in the mid 1950's. At a young age, Chrystyna adjusted well to this new country and was eager for all the new opportunities available to her. She worked hard, accomplished many things and excelled in everything she attempted. Chrystyna was a graduate of North Caroline High School in Denton, MD. She was very intelligent, a great speller, winning a spelling bee, and often being referred to as a walking dictionary. Chrystyna was offered a college scholarship, but instead decided to pursue a career as a paralegal, working for Joshua Twilley and John Maybee. Although she did not peruse the opportunity, she was honored to be nominated by Governor Pierre DuPont to become a J.P Court Magistrate. Chrystyna was fluent in Ukrainian and English, sharing the Ukrainian language and culture with her children and grandchildren. She had a natural Ukrainian beauty which landed her many opportunities to participate in beauty pageants, including the Mrs. Delaware pageant. In July of 1990, while driving home from work at Delaware State University, Chrystyna's life and the life of her family changed drastically. She was involved in automobile accident that left her disabled. After the accident and up until the day she passed, Chrystyna remained beautiful, strong, smart, determined, loving, happy and very feisty. She was a loving and caring wife, mother, grandmother, great grandmother, sister, aunt, cousin and friend. Chrystyna loved listening to her country music, especially Alan Jackson. She loved baseball, wrestling and was the #1 fan of whatever sport her children, or grandchildren participated in. In addition to her parents, she preceded in death by her daughter Karen Maria Rigby and granddaughter Cassie Rigby Jones. She is survived by her husband of 57 years, Grover "Duck" Rigby, daughter Chrissie Sandra Rigby-Jones, and sons Jeffrey and Michael (Robin) Rigby, all of Marydel, DE. Daughter in law Renee Rigby of Magnolia, DE. Grandchildren Jason W. (Sophie) Rigby, of Wilmington DE, Zachary Jones, Jenna Rigby, Ryan Rigby, and Andrew Rigby all of Marydel, DE. Great grandchildren Conor, Abigail and Riley Rigby, of Wilmington, DE. Brother Oryst Mandycz of Marydel, MD and Sister in law Elizabeth "Libby" Rigby Hebert of Dover, DE. Nieces Audi Rigby Hollinger and Doris Whealton of Dover, DE and a host of nieces, nephews and

cousins in DE and in the Ukraine. A graveside service will be held on Monday, November 16, 2020, at 1:00 pm, at Odd Fellows Cemetery in Camden, DE. Family and friends are invited to attend. In consideration of protecting the family and friends health, public health guidelines enacted for the prevention of the spread of covid-19 virus, limitations on gatherings, physical distancing, use of hand sanitation and masks are in place. donations to Delaware Hospice at 911 S. Dupont Hwy Dover DE. Please advise. Letters of condolences may be sent to www.traderfh.com

Cemetery Details

Odd Fellows Cemetery

Camden, DE

Tribute Wall

CS

“ *Cindy Strauss lit a candle in memory of Chrystyna M Rigby*



Cindy Strauss - November 20, 2020 at 08:15 AM

KP

“ *Kathy Phinney lit a candle in memory of Chrystyna M Rigby*



Kathy Phinney - November 18, 2020 at 11:28 AM

SR

“ *My sincerest condolences go to the family of Christine" as I knew her.*

She worked for my husband , John Maybee and was considered the perfect "secretary and all around assistant , ready to help in any way . So very efficient and a good friend.

With much fondness and many memoriesS.Ridgely and the Maybee family



sandra ridgely - November 16, 2020 at 05:50 PM

JM

“ *I was saddened to learn of the passing of Christina. Although I hadn't seen her for several years I remember her with great fondness. Even though she always gave me a hard time whenever she came in to see me she always had a twinkle in her eye and her characteristic smile and I always looked forward to her visits. She was a warm sweet charming woman and it was a privilege to have been her doctor for many years. Deepest condolences to her family. May her memory be a blessing to all of you.*

Fondly

Dr. Abams

Jerome L Abrams MD - November 16, 2020 at 08:50 AM

GF

“ Gretchen Ford lit a candle in memory of Chrystyna M Rigby



Gretchen Ford - November 15, 2020 at 06:48 PM

HG

“ Chrystyna you were one of a kind as we met when our children were playing baseball at the Hartly-Marydel field and our children got to play together when you were having coffee with Mother. You worked hard and were very dedicated to Duck and your children and here Andrew is working for Eugene now. Can not forget the birthday party where Eugene and Mary brought home a kitten and they were nice cats who were very lovable and liked to be petted and held. Got to meet your parents before they passed and now you are happy seeing all of your loved ones again that have gone on before you. We extend our sympathy to all of your family you have left here. Know you will be waiting for them to get there to see you again. Love Helen, Mrs. Gunter and Mam Mam



Helen M. Gunter - November 14, 2020 at 05:31 PM

PO

“ Patti Opdyke lit a candle in memory of Chrystyna M Rigby



Patti Opdyke - November 14, 2020 at 10:27 AM