



Marilyn Cardwell

July 19, 1944 - July 26, 2013

Marilyn Cardwell, 69, of Fort Myers Beach, Florida passed away peacefully and unexpectedly at her home on Friday July 26, 2013.

She was born to the late Cecil and Goldie Carr in Akron, Ohio. After marrying Douglas Cardwell in Akron, they moved to Webster, New York where they raised their children, Mark & Kristen. After retirement, they moved to Fort Myers Beach, Florida. Marilyn loved living on the beach & it became her paradise. Marilyn was a loving wife, mother, and grandmother who enjoyed spending time with her family. It is comforting to know that Marilyn has united with her mom who passed away in 2000.

Marilyn is survived by her loving husband of 47 years, Doug, son Mark, daughter Kristen (Jamie) Gilbert, much loved grandchildren, Ryan and Kyleigh, sisters Sharon (Larry) Workinger and Jan Burse, maternal aunt Asilee Ross, nephew Wayne Burse and niece Julie Burse.

There will be an intimate service of closest family members at a special setting. We appreciate everyone's thoughts & prayers during this time.

"You're in the arms of the angels. May you find some comfort here."

Funeral arrangements under the direction of Gendron Funeral & Cremation

Services Inc., 4224 Cleveland Ave, Suite 1, Fort Myers, Florida 33901 239-274-0088. Online condolences may be made at www.gendronfuneralhome.com.

Tribute Wall



“ *Marilyn Cardwell*

October 09, 2023 at 02:01 AM



“ *Marilyn Cardwell*

January 28, 2023 at 12:09 PM



“ *Thank you to everyone for your thoughts and prayers during these difficult times. It is comforting to know that mom was loved by so many. We are dealing with our sudden loss the best that we can. I know time will heal the pain, just not sure how long that takes. Mom, I miss you so much. At first, it just didn't seem real. There are constant reminders of you all around- your hand writing on things, photographs, and the decorations that you made at the Garden Club that are all around the house. Most of all, there are my memories of you and the things we did together. I know you are in a wonderful place now and will always be looking down on us from above. Blue skies and sunny days will always remind me of you.*

Mark D. Cardwell - August 17, 2013 at 12:00 AM

SL

“ We pray for the Cardwell family in this time of mourning. I remember when I was having hard times with my own family, she let me stay with them until things settled down. She was always willing to help someone in a time of need. Let us not forget to celebrate her life, as she raised two wonderful children, one of whom happens to be a best friend. When it came to her children, she was a success story. As with most parents, her and her husband worked hard to lead their children to a better life than they had. And they succeeded. I'm sure she is proud and watching over them as I speak. May God Bless her and her family.

Steve Link - August 09, 2013 at 12:00 AM

RA

“ Doug and family: We are so sorry to hear of Marilyn's passing. We will miss her smile and friendly manner. Our prayers are with you at this sad time. May your memories of Marilyn bring you comfort.

Ray and Nancy Hickling and Ann Adare - August 09, 2013 at 12:00 AM

GL

“ Doug and family,
I was very saddened to hear of the Passing of your Marilyn. Although we haven't seen each other for years you have been thought of many times during reunions.
Marilyn was always sweet and will never be forgotten. Strength and love to all the family.
God Bless!

George Livadas - August 08, 2013 at 12:00 AM

LG

“ And Ryan!

Lesley and John Gilbert - August 07, 2013 at 12:00 AM

LG

“ We think of all of you every day. Thoughts and prayers to Doug, Kristen, Jamie, Kyleigh, and Mark. Take care of each other during this difficult time, focus on the strength of family.

Lesley and John Gilbert - August 07, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JO

“ Mark and Family,

I was saddened to hear of her passing. I pray that memories of Marilyn will soon bring happiness instead of sorrow.

Jeff Owens - August 05, 2013 at 12:00 AM

KE

“ Doug,
so very sad to hear about Marilyn.

you were a great couple in high school and looked perfectly together and how wonderful it is that you married and shared many years together.

I would send Marilyn e-mails of interest from up here in Akron and regarding class reunions, and I loved looking at the pictures on facebook she had.

Thinking of you and your family.

Karen (Breth) Evans

karen (breth) evans - August 04, 2013 at 12:00 AM

FR

“ We send you our heartfelt condolences on Marilyn's passing. The closeness you felt for each other was truly inspiring to all. We know that we will see you on the beach next year and mourn that Marilyn will not be at your side. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

Fred and Ot Riley - August 04, 2013 at 12:00 AM

MK

“ So sorry for your loss. After the initial grieving, just remember all the fun times and laughs of her life and your time with her.

Marshall Kurfiss - August 04, 2013 at 12:00 AM

TF

“ We will remember Marilyn as a wonderful lady who was a loving, helpful person, always. We appreciated how kind she was to our parents, Chuck and Mary Lou Rowe, and are especially grateful for the support that she and Doug provided when Dad died earlier this summer. We are still sad about our loss, and know only too well the pain that the Cardwell family is experiencing. Our love goes out to everyone. Robin Rowe Tener

The Rowe Family - August 03, 2013 at 12:00 AM

LB

“ Dear Doug, Mark and Kristen,

You and your families are in our thoughts and prayers during this time.

Marilyn had a wonderful family and so much love around her. I'm so glad I got a chance to meet her at Kristen and Jamie's home in Tracy.

*All our love!
Leda & John*

Leda and John Bigelow - August 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM

PA

“ *Such a shock. Our heartfelt sympathy to all the family. I wish there was something we could do, please know that each of you are in our thoughts.*

Patricia Amico - August 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DW

“ *Doug, I can see Marilyn's smiling face in her voice when i last spoke to her earlier this month when your children were with her.*

She was very vibrant. Jackie and I will continue to keep you and your children in our prayers.

Don Weldy - August 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM

CG

“ Doug and family - my heartfelt condolences to you and may your strong family help you all through this time. Marilyn was my sister-in-law. When she and Doug first married, I was too young and selfish to realize what a good woman had come into my life. Over the years, the few times we spent together were great - Marilyn was fun, kind, understanding, and helpful. I wish we would have had more times together, but my life is definitely better for having known her. Doug - thanks for sharing your wonderful wife with me.

Cyndy Cardwell Gribas - August 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM

SG

“ What a wonderful woman. She will be missed by all of us. We love you!

Shelly Gilbert - August 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM

CP

“ I was Marilyn's Avon Lady for years when she lived in Webster and after she moved to Florida, we still kept in touch. Marilyn had a great sense of humor and she and I had some great laughs about a lot of different things. She once told me she was going to write a book called "Things My Mother Never Told Me" - one item was that when you grow older, the front half of your body and the back half of your body switch places! I will miss Marilyn and hearing from her via email. I am very sorry for your loss.

Carol Prautzsch - August 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM

HH

“ Marilyn, a very good friend, will be missed by me and many others. My condolences to Doug and the entire family.

Harlan Holm - August 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM

BS

“ Doug & Family it is with a heavy heart and great sympathy that we offer our condolences in your time of grief. There is no filler for the hole left in all your lives but you have the memories to strengthen and grow the family bond. May God continue to be your guiding light and be with you through your darkest hours.

Your in our prayers.

Bill & Bonnie Strickland - August 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM

BH

“ Dear Kristen, Jamie, Ryan, and Kyleigh,

I am so sorry to hear about the loss of your mother and grandmother. I know how much she meant to you. Although nothing can take away your sadness, I hope you can take comfort in knowing she is in a better place. Love, Betsey Hampton

Betsey Hampton - August 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ Doug and family. I'm so sorry to hear of Marilyn's passing. Our prayer are with all of you

Darryl and Peggy Somerville - July 31, 2013 at 12:00 AM

KP

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you during this difficult time. May the many beautiful memories remain close in your heart and comfort you. Always know that there is so much pain because there was so much love!

Kim & Eric Pellegrino - July 31, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JA

“ *Doug and the Family,*
So very very sad to hear the news. Will miss her cheery wee face and bright smile. Still have a picture of her laughing while wearing a tartan bonnet and a red wig pretending to be a Scot. Bear up, in time it will pass and only the good memories will remain

Jack and Agnes - July 31, 2013 at 12:00 AM

BC

“ *Pretty girls live forever. Doug, please accept my condolences for your loss.*

Bill Cottle - July 30, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DJ

“ *Please accept my condolences on the loss of your dear loved one, Marilyn. Take comfort in knowing that our heavenly Creator will soon remove all pain, sorrow, and death forever! May this promise as recorded in Revelation 21:3,4 be of comfort as you gain the strength and inner peace to cope with the days ahead. Philippians 4:13*

D. Johnson - July 30, 2013 at 12:00 AM

MP

“ *Dear Doug,
We are so sorry to hear of Marilyn's sudden passing. We will miss
her smile and friendly way. God Bless*

mary & Jack Payette - July 30, 2013 at 12:00 AM