



Mrs. Nancy Petriella

April 24, 1948 - April 20, 2024

After a long and brave battle with cancer, Nancy (Oliva) Petriella died at the age of 75 in her home in Roswell, Georgia, on April 20, 2024, surrounded by her loving family.

Nancy was born in New Haven, Connecticut on April 24, 1948 to Alphonse Oliva and Eva (Baldino) Oliva. She is preceded in death by her parents and her brother, John Oliva. She leaves behind many loved ones, including her devoted, loving husband, Dennis; her daughters, Nicole (Jim) Wharton and Michele (Justin) King; sister, Carolann Muzio; and her five grandchildren whom she adored, Haley King, Thomas Wharton, Eva Wharton, Joey King, and Aubree King. Nancy was a dedicated wife, mother and grandmother.

Nancy and Dennis were high school sweethearts who married in 1970, spending those 53 years living life to the fullest; loving one another, raising their beloved daughters, cheering for their grandchildren in their various sports, and forging many close friendships that she cherished.

Among Nancy's many passions were watching baseball (especially the Atlanta Braves), relaxing at the beach, decorating and entertaining for the holidays, tending to flowers, shopping for antiques, feeding her family with recipes carried on from her Italian heritage, and teaching (touching the lives of so many students who affectionately called her "Mrs. P").

She taught us all about strength, perseverance, love, and zest for life. The world became a darker place with her parting, but Nancy will forever remain a light in the hearts of all who had the pleasure of knowing her.

Nancy's family will receive friends at Northside Chapel on Thursday, April 25, 2024 from 5:00pm until 8:00pm. A memorial mass will be held at St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church on Friday, April 26, 2024 at 10:00am. Following the mass there will be a reception at the Foxhall neighborhood clubhouse.

Cemetery Details

Cremation - Northside Chapel Crematory

12050 Crabapple Road
Roswell, GA

Previous Events

Visitation

APR **25**. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Northside Chapel Funeral Directors & Crematory
12050 Crabapple Road
Roswell, GA

Memorial Mass

APR **26**. 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church
535 Rucker Road
Alpharetta, GA

Tribute Wall

BW

“ I’m so saddened to have stumbled across this. In high school Mrs. P was my favorite teacher. I met her when I took her class my sophomore year, and then being her student aide my senior. I remember I needed a recommendation letter from a teacher when I was applying for college, and she didn’t hesitate to do that for me. Today, I saw a instagram post where high school students were giving their game Jerseys to a teacher to wear to the game for senior night, I thought to myself how i definitely would have given mine to Ms. P. That thought caused me to look her up online to let her know my thought, see how she was doing and just thank her for doing more than I’m sure she knows she had done for me, only to learn she had transitioned a year ago. Wish I would have reached out sooner. Thank you Mrs. P for everything. I miss you.

Brandon Wilson - December 16, 2025 at 05:21 PM

BW

I hope her family sees this, even though I’m late, just so they know that Ms. P is still very much loved and thought about.

Brandon Wilson - December 17, 2025 at 04:44 PM

JM

“ My cousin Nancy: Surely delivered joy, kindness, forgiveness and understanding to Heaven as she delivered those attributes into the sphere of her life. She would greet my only half-sibling (at the time) with the expression “Oooohu-Oooohu” with a tummy tickle. She illuminated that Ward Street 3rd story apartment, in New Haven CT whenever she babysat us. She loved baseball- especially Roger Maris # 9 (New York Yankees.) And she would tickle me to exhaustion when my mother and I visited my Auntie-Eva on Dixwell Avenue. I remember the “Johnny-On-The-Spot-Cleaners” in-motion sign across the street from their apartment. She tried to convince me that the man was waiving to me.

Be well Nancy, See Ya when I See Ya.

JMD

JMD - May 05, 2024 at 11:35 PM

SS

“ Just heard from Gene so sorry to hear she was a great person
Steve Signor

Stephen Signor - April 25, 2024 at 05:18 PM

TD

“ The Dowds planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mrs. Nancy Petriella.

The Dowds - April 25, 2024 at 01:22 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mrs. Nancy Petriella.



April 25, 2024 at 01:22 PM



“ Jim and Kelly Hannan planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mrs. Nancy Petriella.

Jim and Kelly Hannan - April 25, 2024 at 09:42 AM



“ Anthony "Tony" Pinto, Joanna Pinto, Julie & Sean Ward, Lorie & Dan Arnold purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Mrs. Nancy Petriella.



Anthony "Tony" Pinto, Joanna Pinto, Julie & Sean Ward, Lorie & Dan Arnold - April 24, 2024 at 03:43 PM



“ Susan & Jim Hannan planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mrs. Nancy Petriella.

Susan & Jim Hannan - April 24, 2024 at 12:22 PM

SH

“ Susan & Jim Hannan purchased the Pink Tribute Spray for the family of Mrs. Nancy Petriella.



Susan & Jim Hannan - April 24, 2024 at 12:22 PM

WF

“ With Sympathy, Your Central Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mrs. Nancy Petriella.

With Sympathy, Your Central Family - April 24, 2024 at 09:15 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Mrs. Nancy Petriella.



April 24, 2024 at 09:15 AM

LS

“ Liz Steiner purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Mrs. Nancy Petriella.



Liz Steiner - April 23, 2024 at 03:48 PM

SC

“ Shona, Jana, Marryt, Steph, Kate & Care planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mrs. Nancy Petriella.

Shona, Jana, Marryt, Steph, Kate & Care - April 23, 2024 at 03:05 PM



“ Loving Lilies and Roses Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mrs. Nancy Petriella.



April 23, 2024 at 03:05 PM

LI

“ Love, Kate and Bebe at Mabry Insurance purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mrs. Nancy Petriella.



Love, Kate and Bebe at Mabry Insurance - April 23, 2024 at 12:58 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Mrs. Nancy Petriella.



April 23, 2024 at 11:49 AM

LM

“ Love, Annemarie and Mark planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mrs. Nancy Petriella.

Love, Annemarie and Mark - April 23, 2024 at 09:42 AM

LM

“ Love, Annemarie and Mark purchased the *Sentiments of Serenity Spray* for the family of Mrs. Nancy Petriella.



Love, Annemarie and Mark - April 23, 2024 at 09:42 AM

WF

“ With love Tommy & Sandy Muzio and family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mrs. Nancy Petriella.

With love Tommy & Sandy Muzio and family - April 23, 2024 at 09:09 AM

WF

“ With love Tommy & Sandy Muzio and family purchased the *Serene Reflections Bouquet* for the family of Mrs. Nancy Petriella.



With love Tommy & Sandy Muzio and family - April 23, 2024 at 09:09 AM

RG

“ Renee and Shane Glover planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mrs. Nancy Petriella.

Renee and Shane Glover - April 23, 2024 at 03:38 AM

RG

“ Renee and Shane Glover purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mrs. Nancy Petriella.



Renee and Shane Glover - April 23, 2024 at 03:38 AM

TL

“ We will always remember that smile! So many wonderful memories of times shared with her and Dennis in our "just starting out" days in Hamden. Very few couples have a spouse who takes the vow "in sickness" so devotedly as Dennis did. Our love to him and to her family.
Art & Nancy Leary

The Learys - April 23, 2024 at 12:53 AM

KS

Matt and I had the pleasure of knowing Dennis and Nancy in many venues. Nancy and I cheered on the Green Dragons in high school. I remember when she and Dennis started dating. Matt knew Dennis from Quinnipiac and was honored to be in their wedding three weeks after we wed. We both are saddened by Nancy's passing. Although the years have passed and careers moved us apart, Matt and I have many fond memories. May God hold her in the palm of His hand and bring comfort to Dennis and their daughters, grandchildren, and friends.
Matt and Kathi Shortell

Kathleen Shortell - April 23, 2024 at 08:55 PM

KS

Darn fat fingers I can't correct my spelling error Nancy(❤️)

Kathleen Shortell - April 23, 2024 at 08:56 PM

BZ

“ Nancy was always there for me as my god mother/friend especially when I was a kid/ teenager! She always bought me the best gifts too. I remember 1 time she got me a red turtle neck with my initials on the neck part and I was 16 yrs old. We laughed because Nancy said it was a problem with my initials because it spelled BRA Beverly Ramos with middle name Ann so she thought the boys would tease me so she had to have it initialed BAR instead so at least it made a better conversation! We laughed so hard and she taught me how to wrap xmas gifts using a yard stick for perfection in wrapping plus my mom her Aunt Annette always told me Nancy was the only little girl she knew that would save the tissue paper for her shoes and box then she would wrap her shoes after each time she wore them. Nancy was the tops always in my heart! May God bless my cousins/family in GA hugs here in Jersey for all of u! Luv Cousin Beverly

Beverly Zaccherio - April 22, 2024 at 07:13 PM