



Ellen J. Andreas

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Ellen Joan Cairo Andreas passed away at the age of 94 on Friday, October 5th in the loving and caring community of Parkside Assisted Living and Memory Cottage in Port Charlotte, FL.

She was born in Trenton, NJ, on October 8th, 1923 to Francesca Amodio Cairo and Salvatore Cairo. Ellen was the second youngest of seven children. She married John M. Andreas on June 17th, 1944. They built the first of their many homes in Hamilton Square, NJ. Together they had three children, Linda, Jack and Cyndee.

Ellen began her career working as a bank teller right out of high school. She also took business classes at Rider College. After her children were in school full time, she went back to work as an administrative assistant. When her husband was transferred to North Jersey in 1967, she worked as an administrative assistant in the Springfield, NJ School District. The family then moved to Moorestown, N.J. in 1970 where Ellen got a job as administrative assistant to the assistant superintendent of schools.

In 1974, they moved to Upper Saint Clair in Pittsburgh, Pa. Ellen worked as a legal assistant to Attorney Clair Duff, where she continued taking college courses. Ellen and Jack moved back to Moorestown, N.J in 1980 and she resumed her career in the Moorestown School District and was the administrative assistant to 3 consecutive superintendents before retiring in 1991. Jack's engineering job with Impact Consulting Firm brought them to picturesque Punta Gorda in 1992. Ellen loved her new life there. She began walking, playing mahjong, joined the isles Yacht Club where she was chairman of the entertainment committee for a few years. She also volunteered with the Visual Arts Center and participated in the Punta Gorda Rotary Club. In 2009, Ellen was a contestant in the local Dancing with the Stars.

Ellen's husband, Jack, passed away in 2000. A few years later Ellen met Ed Lusk. They spent 9 wonderful years together. Ellen was predeceased by her parents, her husband, Jack, her



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daughter, Linda Andreas Bills Mount, her siblings, Toni Chandler, Dollie Nicolai, Lou Cairo, Frank Cairo, John Cairo, and Loretta Pownell.

She is survived by her son, John Francis (Dora) Andreas, Cynthia (Jim) Andreas Grifo, grandchildren, David (Ellie) Bills, Daniel (Emily) Bills, Brian (Jane) Andreas, Eric (Kelly) Andreas, Nathan (Elisa) Andreas, Heather (John) Grifo Buckles, Drew (Anne) Grifo and Brett (Jen) Grifo and nine great grandchildren. Ellen was a loving and devoted mother. She will always be remembered for her great sense of humor which she managed to keep until the very end. Ellen was a devout Catholic and supported many charities during her lifetime.



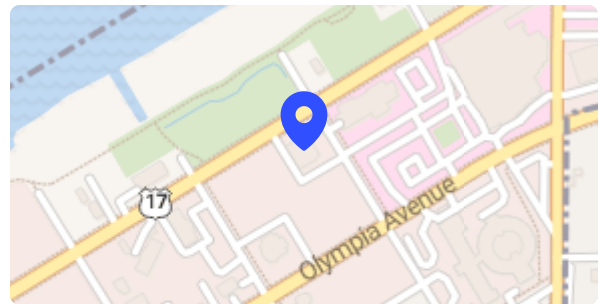
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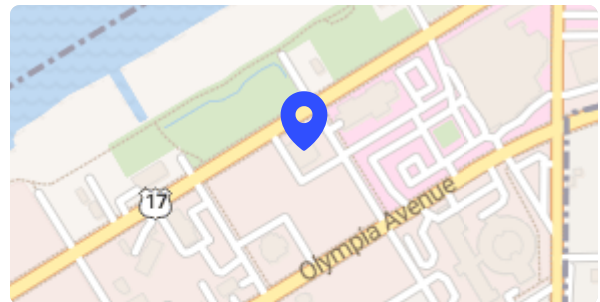
Visitation

- Wednesday**, October 10, 2018
- 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM ET
- Kays Ponger Funeral Home**
635 E. Marion Ave., Punta Gorda FL 33952



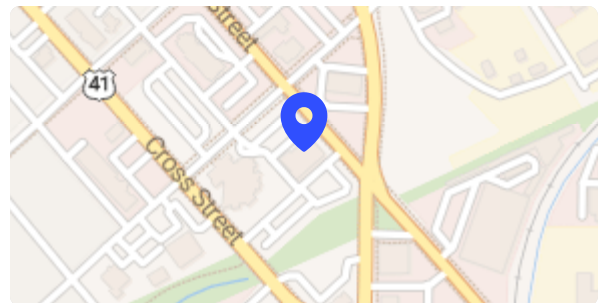
A Celebration of life

- Wednesday**, October 10, 2018
- 7:00 PM ET
- Kays Ponger Funeral Home**
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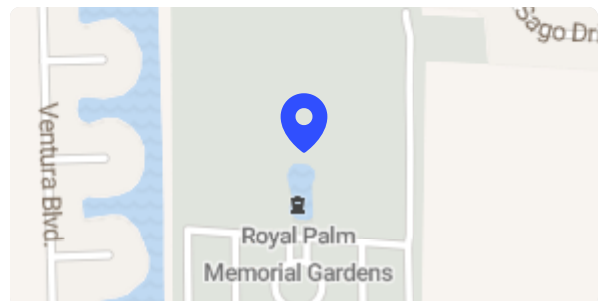
Mass of Christian Burial

- Thursday**, October 11, 2018
- 10:30 AM ET
- Sacred Heart Catholic Church**
211 W Charlotte Ave, Punta Gorda FL 33950



Committal Service following Funeral Service

- Thursday**, October 11, 2018
- 11:30 AM ET
- Royal Palm Memorial Gardens**
27200 Jones Loop Road, Punta Gorda FL 33982







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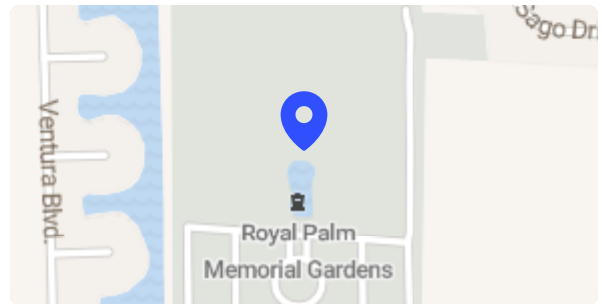
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Cemetery Details

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 **(941) 621-2739**





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