



Merrily Angeline (Grana) Jones

September 22, 1942 - March 2, 2022

It is with tremendous love and sadness that we announce the passing of our beloved mother and grandmother, Merrily Angeline (Grana) Jones, on March 2nd, 2022, at her home, in Maumee, Ohio.

Merrily was born in Toledo, Ohio, in 1942, to Daniel Grana and Joan Moore. She spent much of her childhood growing up between Toledo, and Findlay and everyone in her family knew her as “Snooks or Snooky.” Merrily was a proud 1960 graduate of Central Catholic High School and remained a dedicated alumnus and supporter of CCHS Fighting Irish football.

In 1964, Merrily married her high school sweetheart, Gary Jones. Their love brought their daughter Traci, and then son Gary Jr. into this world. Merrily was a dedicated wife, and mother, who also established herself as a skilled Executive Administrative Secretary, for many years with Tyco Simplex Grinnell. Merrily and Gary shared 26 years together as husband and wife, until Gary’s unexpected death, in 1990.

Merrily loved to travel and did so across much of the United States. Her travels also took her to Mexico, and Europe. Over the years, her most frequent trips were to Florida to visit with family. On a local level Merrily loved spending time with her family and her friends. If you were out on the town with Merrily, you soon realized just how many friends she made throughout her life.

No matter where Merrily went, she always ran into someone she knew..., and they knew her too.

Merrily also enjoyed watching sports. On Friday evenings, in the fall, Merrily enjoyed attending local high school football games. In years past, while Traci and Gary attended Whitmer High School, she could be seen attending games at Whitmer Memorial Stadium. In most recent years, you would find Merrily attending Whiteford High School football games, with her nieces, to watch her three great-nephews play under the Friday night lights, in Ottawa Lake, Michigan. Most recently Merrily enjoyed watching her great grandson learn to skate and to play hockey.

And that is what defined what was truly important to Merrily, her love for family, and friends.

Merrily is preceded in death by her parents, Daniel and Dorothy Grana, Joan and Roy Morgan; and her best childhood friend, Patricia Szakovits. She is survived by her daughter, Traci Picknell (Chris); her son, Gary Jr.; five grandchildren, Tarah Magner (Michael), Anthony Picknell, Kelsey Picknell, Evan Jones; and two great grandchildren, Camden, and Peyton Magner. Merrily is also survived by her brothers, Daniel Grana (Stephanie), and David Grana (Debbie); her sister, Melissa Patrylo; numerous nieces, nephews, cousins, and countless loving friends.

The celebration of Merrily's life will be honored with a visitation on Monday, March 7, 2022, from 2-8 p.m. at Ansberg-West Funeral Home, 3000 W. Sylvania Avenue, Toledo, Ohio 43613. The funeral service for Merrily will be held the following day on Tuesday, March 8, 2022, at 10:30 a.m. at Saint Joseph Catholic Church, located at 104 W. Broadway Street, Maumee, Ohio 43537. Based on Merrily's love and compassion for animals, donations may be made in her name and memory to: Toledo Humane Society Animal Shelter,

827 Illinois Avenue, Maumee, Ohio 43537.

Cemetery Details

Toledo Memorial Park

6382 Monroe Street
Sylvania, OH 43560

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 7. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Ansberg-West Funeral Home
3000 W. Sylvania Ave
Toledo, OH 43613

Mass of the Resurrection

MAR 8. 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM (ET)

St. Joseph
104 W. Broadway St.
Maumee, OH 43537

Tribute Wall

LK

“ So sorry to read of Merrily's passing. She was a very sweet and kind woman with a beautiful smile and a big heart. I know she will be missed. Lynn and Dave Kluczynski

Lynn and Dave Kluczynski - March 09, 2022 at 09:27 PM

BH

A wonderful lady and true sweetheart. Heartfelt condolences.

Bob holup - March 14, 2022 at 08:42 AM

CS

“ I am deeply sorry for your loss I loved your Mom. She always sat in my section at cracker barrel in Maumee and we shared alot of the same views and would always text back and forth. I was just gonna text her later today cause I have not seen her and a guest told me of her passing . I will truly miss her she was one of my favorites.

Carol Stambaugh - March 08, 2022 at 02:24 PM

ME

“ Mary Ellen lit a candle in memory of Merrily Angeline (Grana) Jones



Mary Ellen - March 08, 2022 at 10:54 AM

ME

My thoughts and prayers are with you all. David, Danny and Traci and Gary. Love Mary Beth (Heywood) Ellen.

Mary Ellen - March 08, 2022 at 10:59 AM

LS

“ My deepest condolences to the family of a life long friend, classmate and a special woman. For the last 62 years she worked tirelessly in keeping our 1960 class informed and connected in so many ways.

But Her biggest accomplishment was her family, she was so proud of each of you and loved you deeply. My prayers and thoughts are with you during this difficult time.

You will be missed Snooks.

Lorri Todd Smith (Winter Park Florida)

Lorraine Todd Smith - March 07, 2022 at 02:28 PM

TC

“ To Dan, David and the Loving Family of Merrily (Grana) Jones:

Please accept my heartfelt condolences on your sister's passing. She certainly must have been a wonderful lady. As such, she will be greatly missed!

May God be with you all during this time of great sorrow.

Tom Crothers - March 07, 2022 at 01:50 PM

AF

“ Dear Traci & Gary,
My deepest sympathy to you and Danny & David and family, I remember her well even though I have not seen her in years. May God bless each of you and be with you

You are all in my prayers I am so sorry

Love Anne (Coci) Fravor, Banning, CA

Anne Fravor - March 07, 2022 at 03:27 AM

JE

“ My sincere sympathy to the family of a very special classmate of Central Catholic High School who was so devoted to the Class of 1960. Merrily hosted many reunion meetings over the years so that we could, with her expertise, have a memorable gathering to celebrate. And she never disappointed. She also was a devoted friend to many and always available for whatever that friendship entailed. She left an indelible mark on those she met. The Class of 1960 was especially blessed!! Her special light is shining brightly in heaven. Judy Campey Emmons

Judy Camey Emmons - March 06, 2022 at 03:46 PM

DD

“ Her loss is a loss to all of us who were her 1960 CCHS classmates.
DVD

David V. Donahue - March 06, 2022 at 09:50 AM

CG

“ Christina Grant lit a candle in memory of
Merrily Angeline (Grana) Jones



Christina Grant - March 06, 2022 at 12:10 AM

CG

She was a beautiful lady, both inside and out. May your beautiful memories comfort you in the days to come.

Christina Grant - March 06, 2022 at 12:12 AM

BS

“ *Merrily was our ray of sunshine every first Sunday of each month when "The Frogs" from St. Ann's grade school met for breakfast. Our group has lost a very special friend. We are all so deeply saddened. Condolences and prayers to Traci, Gary and all the Jones family.*

Bobbie Schroeder - March 05, 2022 at 06:04 PM

GO

I was so saddened to hear about Merrily's passing. She will be missed so much. She used to call me her Paisan. We had good times together. Merrily frequently spoke about her husband, children, grandchildren and great grandchildren. She loved you guys so much. Our neighborhood lost a wonderful neighbor. My you all find strength in your memories and may Merrily Rest In Peace.

Grace O'Neill

Grace O'Neill - March 07, 2022 at 03:06 PM