



Cheryl Elizabeth Jindra Veneziani

August 10, 1954 - June 20, 2008

Cheryl Veneziani of Stevensville, MD died Friday, June 20, 2008 at her home surrounded by her loving family. She was 53 years old.

Cheryl was born August 10, 1954 in Berwyn, IL. She grew up in the Chicago suburbs and then attended Utah State University where she met the love of her life, Michael. After they were married, they moved to Maryland and had 2 children. Cheryl was Vice President of Management for The Bozzuto Group where she worked for the majority of her career. She and Michael moved to Kent Island soon after becoming empty nesters where they enjoyed kayaking, biking, or just sitting by the water having cocktails. Cheryl also loved spending time in Florida in the winter with her family. She was a wonderful wife, mother, and daughter and will be missed immensely.

Cheryl is survived by her husband, Michael Veneziani of Stevensville, MD; a daughter, Christy Veneziani Andrusis; a son, Jason M. Veneziani; mother, Grace Christie; three sisters, Judy Grant, Gail Aznar, Laura Turner; a brother, Edward Jindra; a grand-daughter, Marina G. Andrusis . She was predeceased by her father, Edward Jindra, Sr.

Family and friends may call on Tuesday, June 24, 2008 from 2-4 pm and 6-8 pm. at Fellows, Helfenbein and Newnam Funeral Home, 106 Shamrock Road, Chester, MD. A funeral mass will be held at Our Mother of Sorrows Catholic

Church, 303 Chesterfield Avenue Centreville, MD 21617 at 11:00 am on
Wednesday, June 25, 2008. Burial will be in Stevensville Cemetery.

Previous Events

Service

JUN **25**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Our Mother of Sorrows Church
303 Chesterfield Avenue
Centreville, MD

Tribute Wall



“ *Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Cheryl Elizabeth Jindra Veneziani*



Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home - June 20, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ *Cheryl Elizabeth Jindra Veneziani*

October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *Cheryl Elizabeth Jindra Veneziani*

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *Cheryl Elizabeth Jindra Veneziani*

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM



“ Hi CopClosebop!
As you ask...part of article:

Founded in 1992 and headquartered in Atlanta, Georgia, Sciele employs more than 1,000 people. Sciele Pharma, Inc. The Company's success is based on placing the needs of patients first, improving health and quality of life, and implementing its business platform - an Entrepreneurial Spirit, Innovation, Execution Excellence, Simplicity, and Teamwork. is a pharmaceutical company specializing in sales, marketing and development of branded prescription products focused on the therapeutic areas of Cardiovascular, Diabetes, Women's Health and Pediatrics. The Company's Cardiovascular and Diabetes products treat patients with high cholesterol, hypertension, high triglycerides, unstable angina and Type 2 diabetes; its Women's Health products are designed to improve the health and well-being of women and mothers and their babies; and its Pediatrics products treat allergies, asthma, coughs and colds, and attention deficit and hyperactivity disorder (ADHD).##imported-begin##Liaitator##imported-end##

September 30, 2008 at 09:36 PM



“ IpZE0L Hello
I am Russo##imported-begin##Russo##imported-end##

September 23, 2008 at 10:00 AM



“ You are not right.##imported-begin##mynameisgoor##imported-end##

August 14, 2008 at 05:29 PM



“ Dearest Mike and Family,
I remember the first time I saw Cheryl. It was at your wedding party in Maryland. We all were wondering who in the world would marry Mike (just kidding Mike). When she walked outside with her big hat on and summer dress I was immediately drawn to her. She had such a wonderful smile and great confidence. I was hoping we would become fast friends. Unfortunately life and distance got in the way. But every time we got together for family functions, I always felt close to her. She was special in that way. Always making you feel that you were important. I am so sorry for your loss. Just know that we love you##imported-begin##Cindy Child##imported-end##

June 25, 2008 at 06:55 PM



“ I just returned from a visit home to Scotland when learned of the sad news. Cheryl and I became quite close when my husband Jack was diagnosed with a malignant brain tumor. She encouraged us to "go organic" and introduced us to holistic medicine. Jack was a firm believer in the special teas and the tons of various vitamins that he consumed daily. I will always be grateful for her friendship and encouragement. I am pleased that in my realor role I helped Cheryl and Michael find their "empty nester" home on the Eastern Shore. I always admired her strength and dignity throughout the years that she fought to find a cure. She touched many lives and will be truly missed.##imported-begin##Olive Chalmers##imported-end##

June 25, 2008 at 09:22 AM



“ Judy,

I recently learned of your sister Cheryl's passing. Please let me express my deepest condolences and sympathy for the loss of your sister . I know you were very close and dear to her.

The pain of loosing a loved one cannot be expressed in words. I will say a special prayer and ask God to relieve your pain and suffering and keep you safe. My deepest condolences are with you and your family.

God Bless You Always,

Gene###imported-begin###Gene Traczyk###imported-end##

June 24, 2008 at 11:44 PM



“ *I always felt confident when Cheryl visited Harbor East. She would listen to a problem and offer immediate solutions. She would never let any situation hinder her ability to lead. Prior to leaving the property, she would stop by Wholefoods and pick up dinner. She always encouraged me to shop there as well. I will forever miss her smile and laugh. Cancer Sucks! My father lost his battle two years ago. Her physical being may be taken, however, her spirit will live on in everyone she touched. She touched us. Heaven received an angel and we received the gift of knowing Cheryl.*

Our thoughts and prayers go out to the Veneziani

Family.###imported-begin###Paul and Doris Gantos###imported-end##

June 24, 2008 at 04:04 PM



“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family during this difficult period.##imported-begin##Larry and Erin Nordseth##imported-end##

June 24, 2008 at 02:58 PM



“ Christy and Family,

I didn't get the chance to meet Cheryl, but from everything I have heard, she was a strong, beautiful woman. She raised an amazing daughter who is now raising her own little girl. I know you will share all the memories with Marina when she gets older. Your family is in my prayers this week as I know Cheryl is at peace.##imported-begin##Laurel##imported-end##

June 24, 2008 at 01:39 PM



“ *I was chosen today
I'm learning to fly
the world took me away,
but please don't you cry
And I chose you today
to try and be strong
so please don't you cry
and don't say that I'm gone
When you're feeling alone
just remember our love,
I'm up near the stars
looking down from above
Remember our love
In a moment you'll see
that I'm still here beside you
when you're thinking of me.
Author - unknown##imported-begin##Rina Roberts##imported-
end##*

June 24, 2008 at 01:04 PM



“ Dear Veneziani Family:

I read the following quote somewhere years ago which has stuck with me knowing how it feels a losing loved one.

"Death leaves a heartache no one can heal, love leaves a memory no one can steal".

Cherish the memory of her....Cheryl was a strong, kind, beautiful lady and will be remembered by many.

A friend from Bozzuto Construction.##imported-begin##Chris Colley##imported-end##

June 24, 2008 at 12:37 PM



“ Once upon a time there were 3 antiques dealers ... their names are: Mike Veneziani, Rodney Fields, and Louise Jesse. They met in the late 1970's at a antiques show at Newmarket North Mall in Newport News, Virginia. From there on a friendship, that has lasted throughout the years, formed. It was later that I met Cheryl Veneziani, Michael's better half, and she became my rock when I was diagnosed with breast cancer. Cheryl fought her cancer on her terms and taught me to do the same ... to not be afraid of asking the tough questions, to stay spiritually strong as best one can, and to survive!!!!!!! As of this writing I am cancer free and still use all of Cheryl's wisdom, insight and regimens which I firmly believe has kept me on the road to recovery. Even though she has lost her battle to cancer, her soul lives on in all of us especially the ones (like me) she helped so much. I will miss her greatly ... her emails, phone calls and visits at antiques shows. And now to my good, good friend Michael ... please know that my thoughts are with you and your family during this terrible loss. And know Michael that I love you dearly and have cherished your friendship all these years. So when you are sad or need to talk, I am just a phone call and a drive away. To Cheryl ... God speed you on your next journey and keep Heaven's door open for the rest of us. Louise
6/24/08###imported-begin##Louise Jesse###imported-end##

June 24, 2008 at 12:11 PM



“ Dear Veneziani Family, My heart goes out to you all! I had the pleasure of meeting Cheryl in 1999 when I started at Bozzuto Management. Cheryl and I became friends instantly she was on site and I was in the corporate office. When Cheryl moved into the corporate office I became her assistant until she left the company to take care of herself and enjoy her family. We had fun special times together I will miss her very much. Cheryl was the kind of person that you looked up to, she was strong, fiesty and wonderful to be around. She tought me so much and I always looked up to her and admired her. I remember one administrative assistants day when she sent me so many flowers you couldn't walk in my cubical and with that was a very large book on Organic medicines which we really wanted me to read and take into consideration. You know she was right they do work and I think that is what prolonged her life. Unfortunately cancer is a force to be reckoned with. Cheryl we are all going to miss you so much may you rest in God's arms now.
Jeannie###imported-begin##Jeannie Uhler###imported-end##

June 24, 2008 at 11:08 AM



“ We are both very sad to learn of Cheryl's passing. We have wonderful memories of the boat trip with Bob and Janet, Cristy's wedding, and sitting on the dock on the bay eating hundreds of crabs. Our sincere smpathy to you Michael. I know you will be lost without her but she will always be with us in our memories and prayers.
Love Dan & BJ###imported-begin##BJ & Dan Hopkins###imported-end##

June 24, 2008 at 07:39 AM



“ Cheryl was my second wife, due to circumstance my wife Judy (Cheryl's Sister) live in different States most of the time. The kind and nurturing person in Cheryl, always made sure I had a decent meal, she also corrected and nagged (about my smoking, drinking and poor eating habits) when it was needed. She was always there when you needed her and was truly and loving and caring person.

I first met Cheryl when Judy and I started dating in the early 70's she was my wifes maid of honor at our wedding.

When her Father died in CT, Cheryl was there to aid and comfort him when it required her to travel almost every weekend to do so.

When her Son, Jason had issues in school and came to live with us in CT.

Cheryl, came along and this is where she really excelled. There was always a good meal, a clean house, clean clothes and a happy smile when Judy and I came home from work.

Yes, Cheryl you were a warm and caring person always there when someone needed you, you have fought a courageous fight with a horrible disease and now hopefully you will be granted the peace you deserve.

Lord, you just received a good soul in heaven and although you were not to kind to her on earth I will be forever grateful to you if you watch over her now.##imported-begin##Garrey##imported-end##

June 24, 2008 at 07:22 AM



“ How do I begin to describe my sister Cheryl? She was beautiful, fun loving, strong willed, and full of adventure on one side, and quiet, gentle and caring on the other. She tackled everything in her life with a no fail attitude, from her job, to her family, to the fight of her life with her Cancer.

When she was diagnosed with stage four Cancer at age 36, her first reaction was fear. Within days the fear turned to determination. SHE WAS GOING TO BEAT THIS. When the cancer returned four and a half years later, and she was diagnosed as terminal with 6 months to live, that was unacceptable.

She began aggressively researching both traditional and alternative medicine. She put together a plan that she believed in. Her decision was not necessarily supported by traditional medicine, but she knew what she felt was best for her, and had the courage and conviction to follow her plan. We were blessed to have her another eleven and a half years.

She was my sister my confidant and my best friend. It will be so difficult when I come to Kent Island to want to pull in her driveway and not see her there. I know in my heart she is at peace. The pain and anguish of the cancer is gone, but I will miss her, her smile and wonderful laugh, her gourmet cooking, our long walks and conversations sitting on the pier. She will always be in my heart. I was so blessed to have a sister like Cheryl.##imported-begin##Judy##imported-end##

June 24, 2008 at 07:14 AM



“ Cheryl was my regional manager for several years when first joining the Bozzuto Group. She inspired me professionally, drove me to always be better, reached out to me on a personal level when I needed it the most, and always carried herself with a confidence and kindness that I will never forget. My thoughts and prayers are with your family. She touched so many lives, and will be truly missed by all that were so fortunate to have known her.##imported-begin##Kristin Guidetti##imported-end##

June 23, 2008 at 08:01 PM



“ I first met Cheryl when my daughter and Christy were babies and bonded over the joy of mothering. A year later, Mike and Cheryl visited Leo and I in Laramie at Halloween. She had made Christy the sweetest, little pink hat to be a bunny for Halloween. I remarked how adorable Christy's hat was, and the next thing I knew we were driving downtown to purchase materials to make one for Brooke. That night the girls enjoyed their first time trick-or-treating in their warm little hats lovingly sewn by Cheryl. That was truly an act of kindness. Over the years, we have all shared lots of good times together with Christy, Brooke, Jason and Adam - especially over dinners that Cheryl made - I have told Mike over and over that she's absolutely the very best cook I know. To Mike, Christy and Jason and all, I sincerely extend to you all my very deepest sympathy. I will always remember her sweet ways and her beautiful smile.##imported-begin##Peggy Romanowski##imported-end##

June 23, 2008 at 06:14 PM



“ Cheryl was a sweet, loving person who will be sorely missed. Even though we did not see each other often when we did get together at family functions it was always so great to catch up. I admired her strength and determination all throughout her battle. It is often so hard to understand why God chooses to call certain people home before others. The fact that Cheryl was such a good person, wife and mother makes it even harder but I believe she is home now and at peace. She is in my prayers as are Mike, Christy and Jason.##imported-begin##Dee Brant##imported-end##

June 23, 2008 at 04:01 PM



“ We are saddened and so sorry for your loss. Cheryl was a fighter for a long time. Her fight is now over and she is at peace. May each of her family and loved ones find comfort in this knowledge.##imported-begin##Wanda and Larry Sanchez (friends and neighbors of Laura)##imported-end##

June 23, 2008 at 12:01 PM



“ Cheryl was a great lady. What a smile. I hadn't seen her in a very long time, but will always remember her the way I last saw her-- smiling. God bless her and her family.##imported-begin##Gina Sciacca##imported-end##

June 23, 2008 at 11:34 AM



“ Dear Christy and Mark,

My heart goes out to you and your family. My family has been praying that the Lord will send you comfort and a calming peace as you grieve the loss of your Mom.

May God bless you abundantly.##imported-begin##Tracey Scott##imported-end##

June 23, 2008 at 09:55 AM



“ *My prayers are with you and your family. Cheryl's kindness and love for everyone has touched our hearts forever. God knows the sadness that it brings to you and your family and to all of us.*

The ones who are left behind suffer the most. Cheryl is called home, into God's hands, the joy, peace, and love. Cheryl is whole again, no more suffering , no more pain. Cheryl's soul lives on in God's kingdom. Cheryl would want you to be happy like she is in heaven. With a smile looking from above, Cheryl will always be your guardian Angel.##imported-begin##Tina Roberts##imported-end##

June 23, 2008 at 09:51 AM



“ *Christy, Mark and Family - Melissa and I are very sorry for your loss. I have to say that your tribute to your mom for Marina is very touching. We wish you the best during this difficult time. Walt and Melissa##imported-begin##Walt and Melissa Stundick##imported-end##*

June 23, 2008 at 09:04 AM



“ It was my pleasure to know Cheryl for several years. I will never forget her perseverance and determination. She made saying alive a true mission. I know she beat the odds of succumbing to her illness many times. I request that we didn't get to talk because she had already become too ill. I extend my sympathy to her family, especially Michael, Christy and Jason.##imported-begin##Dr. Lorraine McDermott##imported-end##

June 23, 2008 at 08:14 AM



“ We at the kassel company, friends of Judy Grant, wish to send our most sincere sympathies for the loss of judy,s sister Cheryl. May the lord give you and cheryls family strenght to endure this most sorrowful time.

God bless you

K##imported-begin##The Kassel company LLc##imported-end##

June 23, 2008 at 06:49 AM



“ *Michael, Jason & Christy,*
I am so sorry to hear the news about your mom. I was only 19 years old when I met Cheryl. She was my first manager in the property management world. I always admired her love and excitement she had for her family. There was nothing more important to her. I remember one Christmas when she was calling all over town for a certain teenage mutant ninja turtle for Jason. We searched everywhere. It wasn't until I had my own children that I truly understood why she put herself through so much....It was to see the look on her son's face on Christmas morning. In my eyes, you were her life and she was determined to be a part of it as long as she could. There were a lot of stories with laughter, tears and hugs shared at work. And at the end of each day she always said thanks for a great day and off she went. I know she is thankful for the beautiful life she was so blessed with here and is beginning her new life in heaven as an Angel.##imported-begin##Kim McDougal (Freimanis)##imported-end##

June 22, 2008 at 11:12 PM



“ *I REMEMBER CHERYL AND MICHAEL WHEN THEY WERE ENGAGED PLAYING TAG IN FRONT OF MICHAEL'S PARENTS HOME. THEY WERE SO FULL OF LOVE AND FUN. I THOUGHT WHAT A BEAUTIFUL PAIR. NOW WITH A LOVING FAMILY LEFT BEHIND SHE ENTERED INTO THE ARMS OF THE LOVING FATHER IN HEAVEN. SHE WILL BE MISSED BY SO MANY OF US.##imported-begin##amelia and jim zirakian##imported-end##*

June 22, 2008 at 08:08 PM



“ *My heart goes out to your family! Cheryl was such a loving, giving and wonderful person. As I have just lost my mother in the last few weeks I know the devastation you feel while having the hope of Christ and that she is healed now and walking on the streets of heaven!*

"Blessed are they that mourn, for they shall be comforted." Matthew 2:4

In His Name,

Todd, Sara, Adam & Ryan Warren (Salem, VA)##imported-begin##Todd & Sara Warren##imported-end##

June 22, 2008 at 01:50 PM



“ To the Veneziani Family:

Nothing in life seems to prepare us for writing words of condolence to those who have just lost a loved one. A funeral marks the close of a human life on earth. It is the opportunity for friends and family to express their grief and to give thanks for the life which has now completed its journey in this world but these feelings are often the most difficult to put into words. Although it's difficult today to see beyond the sorrow, may looking back in memory help comfort you tomorrow. May your heart and soul find peace and comfort.

May the blessings of love be upon you, May its peace abide with you, May its essence illuminate your heart, Now and forever more Blessing. Hold tight to memories for comfort, lean on your friends for strength, and always remember how much you are cared about. I pray the love of God enfolds you during your difficult times and he helps you heal with the passage of time. May the love of those around you help you through the days ahead. Please accept my most heartfelt sympathies for your loss. My thoughts are with you during this difficult time. My heart goes out to you in your time of sorrow. While we are mourning the loss of our Cheryl, others are rejoicing to meet her behind the veil. She will be always in our hearts.

Love,

Alex Paulino##imported-begin##Alex Paulino##imported-end##

June 22, 2008 at 01:35 PM



“ Cheryl came into my life as I was cooking in the kitchen, and as Cheryl appeared in the doorway, I instantly realized this beautiful girl was to be my future daughter-in-law. Through the years Cheryl became my loving daughter that Joe and I adored. Cheryl was our pet and matriarch. We have been blessed to have Cheryl in our life. Cheryl will never be forgotten.##imported-begin##Rina and Joe##imported-end##

June 22, 2008 at 01:34 PM



“ Someone once told me life is not judged by the breaths we take, but by the moments that take our breath away.” If that’s the case mom then my life has been fulfilled. I will always remember the times we had together mom. I will always remember the values and morals you left me with. Times when you always met me after a football game in the doorway and ask me what I wanted to eat. It didn’t even matter who won to you, all that mattered to you was what it would take to make me happy at that time. You always made it a priority to do that mom and that’s what I am going to miss the most. You never did anything that would hurt me mom. I remember when I was young I did something that really pissed you off. Dad was not there, it was before school and you tried to whip my butt with a belt. However, you used one of your plastic belts. I remember laughing at your attempt which made you laugh at the time forgetting whatever stupid thing I had done. Even in anger mom the pleasantness you had was waiting to overtake. You were the rock that held this family together mom, I don’t know what’s going to happen now that you are gone. It doesn’t feel complete anymore. I lost a huge part of me that will never be replaced and it scares me more than anything. It seemed like yesterday when we met in Orlando and spent the weekend together.

Remember that morn? We rented a convertible, booked a huge suite, went to that restaurant in downtown (which we had the best scallop either of us had ever tasted) and visited Sea World the next day with Ed. Was that not a great time. That was only a year ago mom, and now your gone.....The memories remain though and it makes me sad to think that those memories will never be replaced with new ones, I do remember though mom. I will always remember.....

I love you a lot mom and I know you will be watching over me all the time. I promise to make you proud.##imported-begin##Jason##imported-end##

June 22, 2008 at 01:31 PM



“ I WAS TWELVE YEARS OLD WHEN I FIRST MET MY FUTURE SISTER IN LAW TO BE...I REMEMBER BEING SO EXCITED TO MEET HER AND TO THINK I MIGHT FINALLY HAVE A SISTER. I REMEMBER THE FIRST TIME I MET HER I GAVE HER A LITTLE PORCELAIN CAT BECAUSE I WAS TOLD HOW FOND SHE WAS OF CATS.

THE REASON I REMEMBER GIVING HER THIS KITTY WAS BECAUSE ABOUT A YEAR AGO I WAS STANDING AT MIKE AND CHERYL'S KITCHEN SINK AND I LOOKED DOWN AND THERE WAS THE FIGURINE I HAD GIVEN HER 32 YEARS AGO. SHE HAD KEPT THAT LITTLE FIGURE ALL THESE YEARS!!! THIS WAS JUST A SIGN TO ME THAT PROVED WHAT A COMMITTED AND SENTIMENTAL PERSON CHERYL REALLY WAS.

I SPENT A LOT OF TIME WITH CHERYL DURING MY TEENAGE YEARS AND I REALIZED WHAT AN IMPORTANT ROLE MODEL SHE WAS IN MY LIFE. I SAW WHAT A GREAT MOTHER SHE WAS AND HOW DEVOTED SHE WAS TO HER FAMILY. I SPENT AN ENTIRE SUMMER WITH HER AT MY PARENTS BEACH HOME AND GREW SO FOND OF OUR RELATIONSHIP.... SHE HAD BECOME THE SISTER THAT I NEVER HAD. I WAS ABLE TO SHARE THINGS WITH HER THAT ONLY A BROTHER AND SISTER COULD SHARE. AND SHE NEVER PASSED JUDGEMENT. OVER THE YEARS I CHERISHED THE RELATIONSHIP THAT I HAVE HAD WITH CHERYL AND WILL ALWAYS REMEMBER HOW LUCKY I WAS TO HAVE HAD A SISTER-IN-LAW SO ENDEARING IN MY LIFE.

SHE WAS NOT ONLY AN OUTSTANDING SUPPORTER TO HER HUSBAND AND HER CHILDREN BUT TO HER EXTENDED FAMILY AND FRIENDS AS WELL. SHE WAS CHARISMATIC IN HER CAREER AND OUTSTANDING IN HER DEDICATION TO HER RESPONSIBILITIES AS A MOTHER AND A WIFE.

HER BATTLE WITH CANCER HAS SHOWN ME THE STRENGTH

SHE ENDURED THE PAST 18 YEARS. SHE IS A TRUE ROLE MODEL FOR ME AND FOR OTHERS FOR DEMONSTRATING TRUE DETERMINATION TO PROLONG HER LIFE WITH DIGNITY AND STRENGTH.

I JUST WANT TO SAY HOW BLESSED MY FAMILY WAS TO HAVE CHERYL IN OUR LIVES AND HOW MUCH SHE WILL BE MISSED!!!!!!

GOD BLESS AND MAY YOU REST IN PEACE##imported-begin##sister-in-law##imported-end##

June 22, 2008 at 01:27 PM



“ I am so saddened to know that your Mom is so, so sick and at the end of a wonderful life. I have thought about what special memories that I have and there are too many to count. Most of them are funny little trials and tribulations that we went through together - The stuff that happens when you spend a lot of time working together. I met her in 1986 when she was the Manager at Chimneys at Cradlerock and I was her new Regional Manager. You were just a kid - in fact, we were all very young. But that is where our friendship started and we spent the better part of the next 15 years or so working together. She was at my wedding, she visited me in the hospital when my first daughter was born. I lived through the stories of your wild and crazy brother - he made her nuts - and we both hoped that he would make it through his teens. You on the other hand were practically perfect in every way - which probably made your brother nuts. She was just so proud of you. And you gave her the opportunity to plan a wedding and a grandchild to boot! Two experiences she was determined to live for.

I lived through her first two bouts of cancer - nail biters - particularly given the time - and truly respected her decision to take a step back and devote her time and energy to her health and family when she did. That was a great move on her part and probably bought her several years with you and your Dad.

I loved her. She was tough as nails. Black and white and very little gray. She was one of the most principled people that I have ever met and one who cared and cared deeply. She was toughest on those she loved the most - you, your brother, your father, her favorite employees. She was not afraid to challenge something or someone when she truly believed the situation warranted it. And that is a good lesson for all of us.

She had a great smile and beautiful eyes and she lit up the room when she was happy! I am so sad that such a wonderful woman is cheated out of the last 30 years of her life. But the life that she led, was pretty much the life that she wanted and at the end of day, that is all we can ask for.

I smile when I think of her and even laugh at all we experienced

together. Sometimes we laughed until we cried. Those are the memories that I will hold of Cheryl.

My heart goes out to you, your brother, your wonderful and handsome Dad and all those who were part of Cheryl's life.##imported-begin##Julie Smith##imported-end##

June 22, 2008 at 01:26 PM



“ *I will always remember that Cheryl had a really beautiful smile, and that it could light up your heart.*

For The over 25 years that I knew Cheryl - as both a sister-in-law and friend - she always impressed me with her amazingly positive energy. She had a tremendous spark in her, and it was catching. I always found it energizing to be with her.

She was kind, thoughtful, fun, and spontaneous, with boundless amounts of physical and emotional stamina. She could go all day, with kids in tow and still look forward to an evening of entertaining a house full of family and friends, and never break a sweat.

I have so many great memories of all the times we spent at Mike and Cheryl's, not only holidays, but any occasion to bring everyone together. Great food and conversation, but more than that I appreciate the fact she always made you feel like a million bucks, that she was so glad you were there!

I see those same qualities in Christy and Jason, and that is how I will remember her. Every time I see them and their big, beautiful smiles and warm welcomes, I'll think of Cheryl.##imported-begin##Gordon Merkle##imported-end##

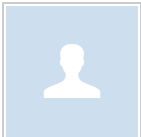
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“ Cheryl and I were raft mates together on one of those corporate “bonding” trips Julie Smith frequently organized. It was a raft trip down the Yockahanny River in West Virginia. Everyone but us had a full team of paddlers. We had just the two of us and our raft guide. The night before it rained heavily, so the water was high and fast! Before we started I slipped on a rock, hit my head, cut it open and suffered what I eventually learned was a mild concussion. But we went ahead anyway.

On the river we laughed a lot, were scared many times, capsized, smashed into rocks and had many exciting moments. In the end we managed to beat all the other rafts (which had many more occupants and skilled paddlers), and had a ton of fun doing so. So, whenever we have seen each other since we have hugged and reminisced about that day on the river - which, while I only remember parts of because of the concussion, I will also never forget because we had so much fun together. We all loved Cheryl and will miss her badly.##imported-begin##John Slidell##imported-end##

June 22, 2008 at 01:25 PM



“ She welcomed us into her family and into her home. We pray God welcome her into His.##imported-begin##Stephen & Stephen##imported-end##

June 22, 2008 at 01:23 PM



“ Dear Marina,

One day when you are older and you want to know about your "Bella," I would have to stop and think, Your "Bella" was so many wonderful things; it is hard to put it into words. One thing I can say is that she waited for you for so long and had so little time with you. She fought so hard at the end, mostly because she wanted more time with you, but it was not part of God's plan. So now it is my job to make sure that you know as much about her as I can tell.

If she had one legacy, it would have to be her lifelong struggle with her illness, cancer; the disease that ultimately took her too soon but led to her intense dedication to holistic medicine and helping others. As much as she hated her illness, it became what defined her and led her to what she was most passionate about.

"Bella" was diagnosed with cancer in her late 30's, and then it reoccurred in her early 40's. She was given a grim prognosis as most stage 4 cancer patients are. I believe it was around a 25% chance of living 5 years while undergoing chemo, radiation, bone marrow transplant, hormone therapy, etc. etc. As the news sunk in, she became determined that she was not meant to leave this world yet. She wanted to see Uncle Jason and I grow up and get married; she wanted grandchildren she had more living to do. She refused to accept the diagnosis that was given to her. This was the beginning of her journey into holistic medicine and became the focus of her life.

Luckily, this was at the beginning of internet boom and she had a wealth of information at her fingertips. She began to research the illness and found that the foundation of cancer was rooted in a weak immune system. She learned about all types of vitamins and supplements that would help boost the immune system as well as things in the environment that could weaken the immune system. This is where she started, she ordered teas from China, more vitamins than you could count; started eating only organic foods, stopped using chemicals in the yard, etc, etc. In fact, Grandpa often

tells the story about how bad one of those teas smelled, he actually questioned whether she was really going to drink it. And she said, "I'm not going to drink it, you're going to drink it!" Then once he took a sip and didn't fall over dead, she resigned herself to drink it. She printed out gruesome articles on the meat industry and made me drive through the neighborhood with her one day putting them in people's mailboxes so that they would hopefully switch over to organic foods and bring down the price. There was even the time she made the organic broccoli for dinner and while picking at my food, I found a worm on the stalk, voiced it to everyone at the table to no avail, then another worm, at which point, everyone stopped eating mid bite. The worst part...she was so embarrassed about it, grandpa continued to eat the broccoli, worms and all. Let's just say she never purchased any broccoli ever again, organic because of the worms and conventional because that was just as bad as organic with worms!

Her doctors at the time were not supportive of her choices. She would print out articles that she read begging them to take the time to read them. Sonic would appease her and read them, others would tell her she was nuts and she was going to die. And she would say. "So what do I have to lose, you told me I was going to die anyway." She proved many of those doctors wrong over time, formed solid relationships with some, and managed to live another 12 QUALITY years, much longer than her original diagnosis.

She helped many other people during those 12 years as well. Many people who were sick would hear about her journey through friends and acquaintances and call her for advice. One man even called her his "guardian angel" after talking with her and following some other recommendations. The amount of cards that she received encouraging her and thanking her were overwhelming. She spoke with other doctors who were given terminal diagnoses that chose not to follow the path of traditional medicine. She even testified in

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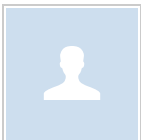
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“ Dear Veneziani Family-
I can’t tell you how much Cheryl has meant in my life. She hired me at Bozzuto all those years ago and became an instant mentor to me. Her guidance over those years helped me grow within the company. Personally, she was always encouraging and always had an ear to listen. I know this is no consolation for your lost, but please know that your wife, mother, grandmother, and sister was loved by many...including myself. Thank you for sharing her with all of us. My thoughts and prayers are with you all.
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“ Michael, Christy, Jason and family...

Cheryl will be missed by many. She was a wonderful, giving person who was taken way too soon.

Thank you for allowing me to spend time with you and with Cheryl this week.

You are all in my thoughts and prayers.##imported-begin##Lisa Williams##imported-end##

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