



Flavia Cleo Spartin

September 15, 1935 - February 19, 2013

Flavia Cleo Spartin of Grasonville, MD passed away peacefully at her home on February 19, 2013.

Born in New York, NY on September 15, 1935, she was the daughter of the late Flaviano Coletta and Mary Caselle Coletta. She worked as a chemist for Dow Chemical and DuPont before putting her career on hold to raise her family. Once her children were older, she enjoyed a second career with the Federal Government, holding executive positions at the Department of the Interior, the Environmental Protection Agency, and the Government Printing Office. She graduated from Queens College in 1955 at the age of 19, where she was Valedictorian of her graduating class.

She is survived by her children: David Spartin and his wife, Lisa, of Wilmington, DE; Steven Spartin and his wife, Jennifer, of Glendale, CA; Peter Spartin and his wife, Debbie, of Washington, DC; and Wilma Rowe and her husband, Todd, of Cockeysville, MD; 11 grandchildren: Steven Jr., Bill, Matt, Anthony, Nick, Peter, Caroline, Kenny, Jamie, Will, Ryan; Bill Spartin; and her dog, Maggie Mae, all of whom she loved dearly and unconditionally. She was preceded in death by a sister, Alba Mangone, and a brother, Vincent Coletta.

Granny loved life and surrounding herself with her grandchildren and her pets – from dalmatians, poodles, and sheep dogs, to parrots and ducks, she loved

them all. She also enjoyed working with her hands to make pottery, knit and needlepoint, as well as traveling, listening to music, and spending time at the beach or on the water sailing and boating.

The family will be holding a small private celebration of granny's life and her amazing contributions.

Funeral arrangements by Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home, P.A. in Chester, MD.

Contributions can be made to your local ASPCA.

Tribute Wall



“ *Flavia Cleo Spartin*

October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *Flavia Cleo Spartin*

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *Flavia Cleo Spartin*

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM



“ *I met Cleo when I was 17 and liked her immediately. Not only was she smart and ahead of her time but she made me laugh! I still remember her vanity plate "CLON" I was really fond of her and kept in touch with her every year. I am so sorry she is gone. Kimberly*

Kimberly - May 01, 2014 at 08:18 PM



“ *I worked with Cleo at the Department of the Interior in the late 70's. She was one of the brightest and most forthright persons I had the privilege to know. My deepest sympathy to all of her family. Marilyn W. Nickels*

Marilyn W. Nickels - February 25, 2013 at 11:45 AM

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I also worked with Cleo at Interior and she was an excellent manager and a good friend. We lost contact after a while, to my regret. She has been in my thoughts many times, and is missed.

Mary Walter - March 23, 2013 at 08:30 AM