



## Joan Marie Gillespie

July 1, 1952 - December 29, 2020

Joan Marie Gillespie of Stevensville, MD, died December 29, 2020, at University of Maryland Hospital Midtown in Baltimore, MD. She was 68.

Born on July 1, 1952, in Darby, PA, she was the daughter of the late John Gillespie and Anne Gervin. Joan grew up in Drexel Hill, PA, and was a graduate of Villa Maria Academy and received her bachelor's degree from Villanova University. Joan worked in marketing mainly in the banking and financial services sector. She resided in Columbia, MD, and then moved to the Eastern Shore in Stevensville, MD. She enjoyed Eastern Shore living & spending time with her family. She also loved to travel -- especially to the Caribbean Island of Antigua.

She is survived by her stepson, Stephen M. Marsico (Christa) of Eldersburg, MD; a brother, John Gillespie, Jr. (Linda) of PA; two grandsons, Anthony Marsico and Dominic Marsico; nieces, Amy Jordan and Beth Miller; and nephew, Tim Gillespie. Her husband, Ralph P. Marsico, predeceased her on December 27, 2020.

A private prayer service for both Joan and her husband, Ralph Marsico, will be held 1PM on Friday January 8, 2021, at the Fellows, Helfenbein and Newnam Funeral Home, 106 Shamrock Road, Chester, MD 21619 and will be live-streamed on the funeral home website. A graveside committal will

immediately follow in Stevensville Cemetery. A celebration of Joan's life will be held at a later date when the civil mandated restrictions are lifted.

# Cemetery Details

## Stevensville Cemetery

808 Main Street  
Stevensville, MD

# Previous Events

## Prayers

JAN 8. 1:00 PM (ET)

Chester Location / Kent Island  
106 Shamrock Road  
Chester, MD 21619  
(410) 643-2226  
[info@fhnfuneralhome.com](mailto:info@fhnfuneralhome.com)

# Tribute Wall



“ *Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home created a Webcasting will start at 12:50 PM \* You may have to refresh your browser before viewing in memory of Joan Marie Gillespie*



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**Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home** - January 08, 2021 at 08:00 AM



“ *Joan Marie Gillespie*

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October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *Joan Marie Gillespie*

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January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *Joan Marie Gillespie*

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January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM

CH

“ 1 file added to the album *Memories Album*



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**Chris Hodge** - July 31, 2021 at 08:33 AM

MB

“ *Our dear Joan endless beautiful memories are in our hearts. Love you forever*  
*Giancarlo and Maria Bettini*

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**Maria Brito** - January 08, 2021 at 01:36 PM

CW

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



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**Carlson Woodside** - January 08, 2021 at 12:51 PM

CW

“ Our deepest condolences go out to Ralph & Joan's family. We shared many years of wonderful times with Ralph & Joan as our next door neighbors. A wonderful memory we have of Joan is her joyful laugh - she was always quick to find the humor in any situation. Joan clearly adored her grandsons and grand nephews and would beam when she spoke about them. I always liked Joan's playful side - she clearly loved wearing a costume for the Halloween gathering on our street. Joan was a skilled and gracious hostess and would always have me for dinner when Bill was traveling. She loved her swimming pool and her island, Antigua. So many strong memories of a wonderful lady.



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**Carlson & Bill Woodside** - January 08, 2021 at 11:15 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Joan Marie Gillespie.



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January 05, 2021 at 02:09 PM

LG

“ I am so sorry to hear of her passing. It was always delightful to work with Joan. She was a pleasure to work with. My condolences to the family.

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**Laura Gamble** - January 05, 2021 at 12:13 PM

BS

“ *Brian Saylor lit a candle in memory of Joan Marie Gillespie*



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**Brian Saylor** - January 04, 2021 at 11:35 AM

AK

“ *Steve: We are so so sorry for your tremendous loss. May your father and stepmom be holding hands looking down at you with great pride. With deep sympathy -- Amalia & Orla Kastberg*

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**Amalia Kastberg** - January 04, 2021 at 09:25 AM



“ *John & Linda, so sorry for your loss. It's been a long road for you. It is hard to wrap my mind around all the has happened. Prayers and thoughts continue to be with you. Much love, Nancy*



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**Ann Murray** - January 02, 2021 at 01:10 PM

CB

“ *Joan n Ralph were part of our Caribbean circle of friends. That circle now has a gap in it which can never be fixed. We have such fond memories of our Antigua holidays and time spent with us in the UK. God test your souls  
Christine , Ian and family xx*



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**christine brennan** - January 01, 2021 at 10:53 AM