



Leocadia "Codie" Codispoti

March 23, 1938 - September 30, 2025

Leocadia ("Codie") Codispoti, resident of Oxford, MD, passed away on Tuesday, September 30th, 2025, due to acute leukemia. She was the third born of six children to Irene and Mento Soponis of Minersville, PA on March 23, 1938.

Codie received her undergraduate degree in Library Science at Kutztown University and her Master's degree at Catholic University (Washington, DC). As a librarian, she worked in school, university, federal and public libraries. She also worked for Army Special Services libraries in Germany and Korea where she made life-long friends, and pursued her love of travel. Her great recall was often utilized by family and friends whenever they needed validation of dates or events.

Codie married Louis Codispoti, a chemical oceanographer from Brooklyn, NY, in 1968. Through this union she had a wonderful and interesting life as they moved and traveled across the United States and internationally. Codie was an active volunteer in several organizations that fostered conservation and humanitarian goals. She credited her volunteer activities to the example of her mother who was a selfless advocate for community causes and a Pennsylvania mother of the year. Codie was a people-person whose friendly personality made people immediately comfortable. She was happiest when hosting family and friends and baking cookies and cakes for them. She often

joked that she was “born to work” and could be seen in and around her home and yard doing just that. She participated in adventures with her husband, Lou, that included flying their airplane and cruising the waters of Puget Sound, British Columbia and the coast of Maine in their sailboats.

Survivors include her husband, Lou, sisters Marianne and Annelle Soponis, brother Mento Soponis and nieces and nephews. Codie was preceded in death by her beloved sisters Irene Robb and Clare Soponis.

Codie requested that any memorial gifts be sent to organizations focused on humanitarian, environmental or animal welfare issues.

A life celebration for Codie will be held on November 8th from 12pm to 4pm at the VFW Post 5118, 355 Glebe Rd, Easton, MD 21601. If you are able to attend Codie's life celebration please go to this link to RSVP by November 1st, <https://www.eventcreate.com/e/codie>

Burial will be private.

Previous Events

celebration of life

NOV 8. 12:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

VFW Post 5118

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Easton, MD 21601

Tribute Wall



“ *Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Leocadia "Codie" Codispoti*



Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home - October 06, 2025 at 01:32 PM

SS

“ *Codie was an old friend and one of the most positive, upbeat people I've ever known. Kind to a fault, great cook, great laugh, great lady!*
Sandy Shumway

Sandra Shumway - December 04, 2025 at 11:56 AM

DT

“ *Dear Louis and Family, Sharing times with Codie was always special. We are very sorry for your loss.*
Sincerely,
Dee Talarico and Family

dorothy talarico - October 26, 2025 at 06:54 PM

MM

“ I met Codie in the early 90's when Lou and I worked at MBARI. Codie immediately welcomed me into her circle and made me feel at ease. Later, when we all ended up on the East Coast, Codie made sure I had a place to go for the holidays. Years later, my husband and son were enveloped in the same warmth and love. Codie had a heart of pure gold, and we are blessed to have known her. Love and condolences to Lou and family. Marilyn, Andrew, and Paul.

Marilyn Murphy - October 11, 2025 at 03:37 PM

SG

“ I met Codie in 1996 almost immediately after beginning work as a research technician with Lou. She put me at ease right away, with her warm smile, frequent laughter, and sincere interest. She and Lou became dear to me quickly and have remained so in the years that followed. I will miss her greatly. I remember the time, in the year 2000 at my going-away celebration (I was about to leave for grad school), when I started to express my gratitude and affection for her and Lou, she told me, "Oh, now don't get maudlin!" So I'll hold to that advice here too and just say that while the Earth has lost a beautiful soul, the Heavens have gained a bright new star. All my love to Lou and Codie.

Steve Gaurin - October 07, 2025 at 11:08 AM

GC

“ I first met Codie over 40 years ago and she always remained the brightest star in the sky with her zest for life and no matter the situation, a positive attitude, a bright smile, and reassuring words. Both in her career and in "retirement" she helped everyone and spread love wherever she was. In the fullest sense of the words, she was a model citizen and inhabitant of Planet Earth. I am thankful for having known her and being touched by her humanity.

Greg Cutter - October 04, 2025 at 11:19 PM

MK

Codie was someone who made everyone around her comfortable and welcome. She was a great conversationalist and made the best persimmon cake! I will miss her smile, warmth, and company so very much. I am grateful to have had her in my life for the past 28 years.

Mindy Kelly - October 05, 2025 at 04:01 PM

AB

“ *So sorry to hear of Codie’s passing. she was a delightful neighbor in Oxford. We loved to share moments of growing up in Pennsylvania in towns only 5 miles apart. Our sincere sympathy to Lou and family.*
Ann & John Ballard

ann ballard - October 03, 2025 at 04:47 PM

VK

“ *It is so sad to say goodbye to Codie. She was such a beautiful person - always full of love and joy! She was so open to life and to people, and so kind, and so cheerful. She held a very special place in our hearts. We love her so much!*
Vanda, Nikolai, Maria, Peter Kazansky.

Vanda Kazanskiene - October 03, 2025 at 12:19 PM

AS

“ *Leokadija (that is her name in Lithuanian language) or shortened English language version - Codie - the person that will remain in our minds and hearts for the rest of our lives. She will be remembered for her positive way of interacting with all the people, her beautiful sense of humor and delightful memories from our meetings.*
May she rest in peace.
Cousin Audrius Skaistys from Lithuania

Audrius Skaistys - October 03, 2025 at 08:23 AM

VB

“ Codie was a warm and wonderful cousin who lit up every room she entered. She had the ability to make anyone and everyone feel valued and loved. She was kind, attentive and a joy. We will remember her always.

Roni and Tom

Veronica (Roni) Buckley - October 02, 2025 at 11:44 PM

MS

“ Codie and Lou have been dear friends and neighbors. Codie's smile lit up a room. I loved her energy, kindness and sense of humor. We will miss you, my friend.

Molly Sause - October 02, 2025 at 05:31 PM

DK

“ Codie was a wonderful friend of my wife Dede Kirwan. I knew Lou for many years before Dede first met Codie in Norfolk. They bonded immediately. Of course Codie was the type of person that it was easy to bond with. She was a wonderful person who had a positive impact on everyone around her. My love to Lou and Codie's sisters.

Denny Kirwan

Denny Kirwan - October 02, 2025 at 11:18 AM

BN

“ Codie will live on in our memories as a funny, smart, generous, thoughtful and lovely person with an incredibly sharp memory. We are better people as a family for having known and spent time with her. Her laughter and warmth were infectious. We love you, Codie and Louis.

Barry Nelson - October 02, 2025 at 10:22 AM

EM

“ We are saddened to lose Codie who we knew from the late 60s in Seattle. So glad that we had such a wonderful visit with her and Lou a couple years ago. We will miss her cheerful notes. Earll and Rena Murman (Port Townsend WA and Waterbury VT)

Earll & Rena Murman - October 02, 2025 at 10:12 AM

JB

“ Joanne Brown sent a virtual gift in memory of Leocadia "Codie" Codispoti



joanne brown - October 01, 2025 at 07:15 PM

JB

Lou, I am so sorry to hear of your loss Codie stopped by this summer and was so bubbly said she felt great

joanne brown - October 01, 2025 at 07:18 PM

MS

CODI was my best friend in Easton. I will always remember how kind LOU and CODIE were to us when we moved to EASTON. I loved her. Marianne

MARIANNE STROTHER - October 02, 2025 at 10:00 AM

EH

We met Codie and Lou many years ago through our mutual friends Larry and Ann Atkinson. We got to know Codie better once she and Lou moved to Norfolk. We remember Codie as the 'hostess with the mostess' who made parties, cookouts and other social events fun. Codie will be missed. Eileen Hofmann and John Klinck

Eileen Hofmann - October 28, 2025 at 08:06 PM

CM

Lou, I am so sorry for your loss of Codie. She was such a delight, so kind, a loving neighbor and friend. Always enjoyed talking with her , she was interested , listened, positive. I will miss her. You and Codie were a wonderful couple, so genuine and loving. May she rest in peace now. Cathy McKelvy

Cathy McKelvy - November 01, 2025 at 11:23 AM

AJ

Dear Lou, we have some wonderful memories with you and Codie, that we cherish! She always made us feel welcome and was a superb host, the kids also loved her. We all will miss her!

Amal Jayakumar - November 06, 2025 at 03:33 PM