



Catherine Ann Schafer

October 18, 1945 - August 26, 2024

Catherine Ann Schafer, 78, left her earthly body on August 26 of 2024.

Cathy (only her mom got to call her Catherine, that's when she knew she was really in trouble) was born and raised in Queens, New York. In her younger years, she lived in New Jersey as well as a few years in Germany, where she learned to speak the language.

She did many things for work over the years, which included being a snack bar manager at both Bradlee's and Caldor's in New Jersey. After moving to Florida, she worked as a cashier/caterer for LRMC where she met the love of her life, her husband of 26 years, Tom.

The job she was most passionate about was being a mother, grandmother, and then great-grandmother. She retired in 2000, and then in 2003, she began raising her granddaughter, Morgan, after her daughter's passing.

She is survived by her Husband, Tom Schafer (60) and his family; Granddaughter, Morgan Schafer (26); three great-grandchildren, Heidi Ann Schafer (9), Evan Adkins (6), and Miles Bates (6 mos.); Brother and sister-in-law, Ellyn and Franklin Atherton Jr. and their children; and cousins, Pat White and Robert Daily.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Hedy and Franklin Atherton Sr. and Her daughter, Heidi Marie Cecere.

Cathy was such a beautiful soul whose love touched everyone she met. She is and will forever be so greatly missed.

Tribute Wall

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“ *My cousin was a kind and generous person. She was devoted to her family.*

I have many wonderful memories of her. Robert Daly

Robert Daly - September 01, 2024 at 08:11 AM

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“ *I remember finally meeting your mom after spending so much time with you(Morgan) as a little kid and your dad at Palm Aire. It was like I knew her for years! She was so warm and personable. I remember her and I just talking and laughing about life. Her love for you was amazing! I can only imagine the joy she had watching you grow up and getting to know her great-grandkids. She will always be close to all of you through so many beautiful memories.*

Lisa Jordan - August 30, 2024 at 09:52 PM

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“ *Lisa s J. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Catherine Ann Schafer.*

Lisa s J. - August 30, 2024 at 09:41 PM