



Helen Ann DeLeo

September 15, 1939 - September 5, 2021

Helen "Annie" Ann DeLeo, 82, of Bushnell, Florida passed away in Bushnell, Florida on September 5, 2021. She was born in Westmont, New Jersey on September 15, 1939 to Raymond and Helen Clipper. She is preceded in death by her husband: Edmund DeLeo. She is survived by three daughters: Amber Bird of Waretown, New Jersey; Barri Saltiel (Bob) of Magnolia, New Jersey; Chana Joi Bird of Bushnell, Florida; brother: Raymond Russell Clipper Jr. of Lake Panasoffkee, Florida; six grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

On Sunday, September 5th, our mother, Annie DeLeo passed away unexpectedly, just ten days shy of her 82nd birthday. After a physical a few months back, Mom's doctor told her to prepare for her 90's so we thought we'd have more time.

Mom was a mostly private person with a gentle, kind soul. She loved the pleasure and peace of watching the owls, deer, armadillos, and fox that wandered through the wood in which she lived, and she worked to keep creatures without their own voices safe from humans who might do them harm.

Mom spent her time crafting, loving her pets, tending her plants, and enjoying all things green, all things wild. We hope that the afterlife finds her doing the same with those loved ones who've passed before her. We see her in the

Gopher tortoises, the wild turkeys, cardinals, butterflies, and shy rabbit we've encountered since she passed. We hear her in the sounds of the Sandhill cranes and cicadas. She loved them all. Nature was her church, and in it, she found God.

We will hold a small service for Mom on Monday, September 13, 11:00 a.m., at the Purcell Funeral Home Chapel, 114 W. Noble Ave., Bushnell, FL 33513 with Pastor Danny Harvey officiating. Masks absolutely required. Friends and family are welcome.

Mom, we love you. We miss you. Godspeed.

Tribute Wall



“ *Beyers Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Helen Ann DeLeo*



May 13, 2022 at 09:06 PM



“ *Sorry to hear of Annie's passing. She was a kind and gentle soul.*

J.A.C - October 01, 2024 at 04:26 PM



“ *I am sadden to learn of your mother's passing. May you find comfort knowing she is in a much more beautiful place than here on earth, as well as knowing you will see her again. You all are in my prayers. God Bless*

Mary Hiittner - September 11, 2021 at 10:16 PM



Thank you very much, Mary.

Barri Saltiel - December 17, 2023 at 07:26 PM

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“ *To the DeLeo Family, to Barri and Bob Saltiel, and all other family and friends, please accept my deepest and heartfelt condolences.*

At this time of loss, Annie "becomes one" with all other Mom's lost. She is not alone, and, you all will never be alone. Stay strong and have faith. Mom will always be there.

Best wishes.

Len Vico

Len Vico - September 11, 2021 at 11:20 AM

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What a beautiful and inspiring message. Thank you, Len.

Barri Saltiel - December 17, 2023 at 07:29 PM