



## Denise Ellen Kelly

October 24, 1959 - January 31, 2025

Denise Ellen Kelly, born October 24, 1959, a lifelong Stamford, CT resident, loving daughter, sister, aunt, great-aunt and friend to many, passed away peacefully into the hands of Our Lord, on January 31, 2025 at home, following a courageous battle with lung cancer.

Denise is survived by her mother, Bea Kelly of Stamford; twin sister, Diane C. Kelly of Stamford; sister, Janice M. Pearson (Roger) of Orleans, MA; and brother, Bryan R. Kelly (Denise) of East Sandwich, MA. She leaves behind cherished nieces, Julie Gunts (BJ) (Brady, Ellie, Charlie) of New Canaan, CT; Michelle Kelly-Green (Ryan) of East Sandwich, MA and Kristina Kelly of Columbia, MO. She was predeceased by her father, Robert F. Kelly (1967- Stamford, CT); maternal grandparents, Mary and John Dimitri (New Rochelle, NY); paternal grandparents, Helen and Joseph Kelly (Garden City, NY) and multiple loving maternal and paternal aunts and uncles.

Denise loved growing up in the Springdale neighborhood, where she resided as a child, adolescent and adult. She attended St. Cecilia's School, graduated from the former Stamford Catholic High School and received a BA degree from Southern Connecticut State College in New Haven, CT. After graduation, she worked for several Fortune 500 companies including Coopers and Lybrand, Unilever, US Surgical and Rayonier. She began her career as a tax paraprofessional and eventually transitioned into Human Resources. For the

last 20 years she has worked as an independent HR Consultant.

Denise enjoyed entertaining family and friends at home with Diane. She was famous for her baked stuffed shells. As twins, they were inseparable siblings traveling to Tampa, FL for Yankee Spring Training as season ticket holders over 27 years where they developed many lifelong friends and Newport, RI for as many summers. Together they frequented their favorite social scenes throughout the town, knowing there would always be friends there to greet and spend time with them. Denise loved playing with her great nephews and niece. Nothing made her smile more. She also loved walking for miles and miles, especially with her dog, Mickey.

Denise had an unmatched spirit of kindness and unwavering love for family and friends which made the world brighter. She was very caring, always willing to help whenever there was a need. If one of her family or friends were stressed, she would find a way to make them laugh. Denise's warmth and generosity will live on in the countless lives she touched. She will be truly missed.

Calling hours will be from 4pm to 8pm on Wednesday, February 5th at Bosak Funeral Home, 453 Shippan Avenue, Stamford, CT. A Mass of Christian Burial will be on Thursday, February 6th at 10:30am at the Church of St. Cecilia, 1184 Newfield Avenue, Stamford, CT. Interment will follow at St. John's Cemetery, 25 Camp Avenue, Darien, CT.

Donations in Denise's memory may be made to the American Cancer Society, Stamford Health Bennett Cancer Center, St. Jude's Children's Hospital or a charity of one's choice.

If you wish to make an online remembrance for the family, you may sign the family guestbook at [www.bosakfuneralhome.com](http://www.bosakfuneralhome.com) or [www.facebook.com/bosa](http://www.facebook.com/bosa)

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# Cemetery Details

## St. John Cemetery (Darien)

25 Camp Avenue  
Darien, CT 06820

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 5. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Bosak Funeral Home & Cremation  
453 Shippan Avenue  
Stamford, CT 06902

## Funeral Mass

FEB 6. 10:30 AM (ET)

Church of Saint Cecilia  
1184 Newfield Ave  
Stamford, CT 06905

# Tribute Wall

LH

“ *Lovely lady. I worked with Denise at Rayonier in the HR Dept. She was such a pleasure to be around, so upbeat and friendly, and had a great sense of humor. Glad I ran into her again a few months before her departure. Regards, Laurie Hilderbrand*

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**Laurie Hilderbrand** - February 15, 2025 at 10:52 PM

EP

“ *My deepest heartfelt condolences to Diane, Bea and the rest of the Kelly family. I am so very sorry about the loss of Denise. She was such a kind, wonderful person.*  
*Elaine Parruccini*

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**Elaine Parruccini** - February 07, 2025 at 05:24 PM

AF

“ *Deepest sympathy to the entire Kelly family from distant cousin (Kelly) 🙏*  
*A Fox*

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**Anne-Marie Fox** - February 06, 2025 at 09:57 AM

EB

“ *I'm very sorry for your loss. I was lucky to have been to St. Cecelia's and SCHS with Denise. After losing touch for many years, I saw her a few times recently. She will be greatly missed.*  
*Ed Benison*

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**Ed Benison** - February 06, 2025 at 09:19 AM

VS

“ Mrs. Kelly, Diane, Bryan and Janice,  
I was so sad to hear the news last week. So many great time and  
good memories growing up on that street, we were all one big  
family. As time went on I always looked forward to running into one  
of the Kelly's at mom's house or out and about. My prayers and  
thoughts are with you all.

Vincent Suppa - February 05, 2025 at 07:48 PM

CF

“ My deepest sympathy to the Kelly family from  
a cousin



CW Fox - February 05, 2025 at 10:15 AM

JS

“ I will remember our good times together at Crab Shell & 19th hole  
etc and working for you ladies at home also meeting you at Cove  
Island enjoy your eternal peace love and happiness Jim Stuart 🙏

James Stuart - February 04, 2025 at 05:23 PM

EY

“ Condolences to all the Kellys. So many great memories of Diane  
and Denise at SCHS. Peace and big hugs. Eugene Young

Eugene Francis Young - February 04, 2025 at 01:09 PM

JZ

“ *Diane and Family,*  
*I am so sorry to hear the sad new of Denise's passing. She was always so sweet. We worked together at GNN and when we were shut down and laid off, she told me to "go see my sister Diane at Manpower", I did and you found me work. I know how close you were together, going to Florida every year for spring baseball playoffs. She will always be close to your heart ❤️.*  
*My sincerest condolences to you and your family.*  
*John Zaccagnino*

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**John Zaccagnino** - February 04, 2025 at 01:44 AM

DS

“ *Bryan, Diane, and Family,*  
  
*My sincere condolences for your loss. It was a pleasure knowing Denise and she will be remembered fondly.*  
  
*Dale Sweeney*

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**Dale Sweeney** - February 03, 2025 at 07:59 PM

BW

“ *Diane: My deepest condolences to you and your family. My prayers and thoughts are with all of you. Sincerely, Barbara*

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**Barbara Wilmink** - February 03, 2025 at 02:52 PM

KS

“ To Diane and all the Kelly family, My heart goes out to all of you. The Kelly family were our next door neighbors on Hilltop Rd. We grew up together. I remember being one of the people you could always tell them a part. I have so many great memories of the fun times we had. I also remember the summers, The twins usually came down with poison oak. We would spend many hours on there porch while they healed. The best neighbors and friend. Denise you will missed. R.I.P. My love and condolences to Mrs. Kelly, Bryan, Janice & Diane.



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**Kim Sabatino** - February 03, 2025 at 01:13 PM



“ A sympathy card was purchased for the family of Denise Ellen Kelly.



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February 03, 2025 at 10:13 AM