



## Deborah Ann Ryan

August 8, 1960 - May 15, 2018

Deborah Ryan, 57, of Charlotte, died unexpectedly at her home on Tuesday, May 15, 2018.

Born in Queens Astoria, New York on August 8, 1960, Debbie was the daughter of John and Rita Ryan. She grew up there and graduated from high school in Long Island. Eventually she came to Charlotte, North Carolina, and had been working as a cafeteria manager for CMS at East Mecklenburg High School. She enjoyed many things in life, including playing pool and her dogs. Most of all, though, Debbie was a people person who loved helping others. She will be greatly missed by all who knew her.

Debbie is survived by her husband, Lance Hansen of Charlotte; her mother, Rita (husband Tony) Costa of Goldston, NC; a son Dominick (wife Kristin) Dioguardo of Orlando; a daughter-in-law, Cilia Dioguardo of Matthews, NC; and a brother, John (wife Donna) Ryan of Albany, NY. She is further survived by her adored grandchildren: Adeline, Harper, Hunter and Caden; as well as numerous other family and friends. Debbie was preceded in death by her father and her son, TJ, who unexpectedly died four weeks before she did.

Services honoring the life, love and blessing of Debbie will be held at 3 pm on Sunday, May 20, 2018, at Idlewild Baptist Church in Matthews. The family will receive friends after the service and all services will conclude at the church.

# Events

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**MAY**   **Celebration of Life Service**   03:00PM  
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Idlewild Baptist Church

12701 Idlewild Road, Matthews, NC, US, 28105

# Comments

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“ Me and Debbie grew up together. We had a lot of good times. We met through our moms who worked together for years. We were best friends. As we got older, we went in separate directions and lost touch. After we both married and had our families, we ran into each other in a supermarket and our friendship continued like we didn't lose a moment. I'm so sorry we didn't keep in touch after you moved away. My heart is broken and I will miss you so much. Love you Deb. Rest In Peace my friend

**Kathy Carstons-Mellon** - May 19, 2018 at 08:43 PM



“ I met Debbie when she dated my cuz Tommy. We were all close at one time u couldn't see one without the others. She was funny. I babysat th and Dom when they were the age u see them with the tiger.something happen and we didn't see or hear from each other. But on fb we just got back in touch me and Debbie. I was suppose to call her on the next day but she does the nite before. I was very very upset.And it broke my heart about TJ. Soo sad and Dom I'm so sorry . R.I.P Deb,TJ

**Dorothy Horton** - December 08, 2018 at 01:58 PM



“ I have no words to express how deeply sorry I am for Debbie's passing. I only recently got to meet Debbie and my feelings were that we would have become close because of our extended family ties and our mutual desire to keep everyone close. Losing TJ made us all aware of how precious life can be and how in a fleeting moment it can be taken from us. Debbie is now at peace with TJ but her loss leaves a deep hole in the heart of our other son Dominick but I promise that I will love him like he was my own. My commiserations to Debbie's husband Lance, her mother Rita and the rest of her family. This is just a very sad time for all involved - the healing time will be long and it will be hard. RIP Debbie.

**Lyn Wright-Dioguardo** - May 19, 2018 at 01:17 PM



“ Debbie and I were married back in the 1980s.. We had two beautiful children, tj.. Who just passed away on April 17..Debbie and Lance and myself raised them to be respectful and loving adults.. Our hearts go out to Rita and Tony, grandparents.. And Rita loving Mother to her children ..my heart goes out to Debbie's brother John and his beautiful wife Donna..

**Tommy** - May 19, 2018 at 10:36 AM