



## Diane Lynn Pratt

September 11, 1951 - April 16, 2026

Claverack, NY – Diane Lynn Pratt, 74, resident of Claverack NY, passed away peacefully at home surrounded by family on Thursday April 16th, 2026. She was born in Yonkers, NY on September 11, 1951, the daughter of Benjamin Mannino and Angelina Rossi.

Diane took great pride in her journey as a hardworking single mother, who worked for many years as a Department Supervisor and retired in 2006 from Novapak in Philmont, NY.

She lived a life defined by courage, strength, and perseverance. She faced life challenges with a smile, had a contagious laugh, the biggest personality, was classy and had a sassy spirit. She cherished time spent with family and friends. She loved spending summer evenings listening to music at the local “Music in the Park”. Known for her adventurous spirit, she traveled recently to Maine, Cancun, Hawaii, and Florida. She loved the outdoors, the beach, and relaxing in the pool. She enjoyed hiking, breathtaking waterfalls, and was a lover of all things that bloom. Much like the butterflies and hummingbirds she so adored, her spirit brought a burst of color and energy to our lives.

If there is a kitchen in heaven, Diane is already there creating a masterpiece. Everyone she fed always felt the warmth and joy of a home cooked meal. She loved sharing her delicious treats with those dear to her. Seasons pass and friendships fade, but sisters are forever.

Above all, she shared an admirable and unbreakable bond with her sisters. Their sisterhood of strength and laughter was a testament to the power of

family. They had unwavering loyalty to one another until the very end. She was preceded in death by her parents, Benjamin Mannino and Angelina Rossi.

Diane is survived by her loving children: Dawn Keane and her partner Angelo Balsano Jr. of Catskill, NY, Duane De Vito of Ghent and his partner Christine O'Brien, NY, Dennis De Vito and his wife Monica De Vito of Fitzwilliam, NH. Diane was a proud grandmother of: Derek, Kyal, Kole, Lauren and Kaitlyn De Vito and Diana Davis.

She was also the great-grandmother to: Sadie, Peyton, Addison De Vito, Delilah Davis, and Taytum Pasinello.

She is survived by her siblings: Joseph Mannino and his partner Maggie Fox of Germantown, NY. Patricia Rubin and her partner Ron Montague of Ghent, NY, Loretta Lawson of Catskill, NY, Marvin Oakley of West Ghent, NY, Marie Strik and her partner Steven Boyle of Bethel, CT along with several nieces and nephews.

Diane was predeceased by her brother Fredrick Mannino (Anna) of Elizaville, NY.

A Celebration of Life will be held on Saturday, May 23, 2026, at 2pm at 558 County Route 20, Ghent, NY 12075.

In lieu of flowers, please donate to Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center – MSK Giving <https://giving.mskcc.org>

Though we can no longer see her or hear her laughter, we know she is still here. We feel her in the kitchen and see her in the vibrant colors of flowers and hummingbirds that she loved. Her passing leaves a void that can never be filled, but her memory will be cherished forever by those she left behind.

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

MAY 23. 2:00 PM.

558 County Route 20 Ghent, NY 12075

# Tribute Wall

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“ We will miss you Diane. You always made Monte, my mom and, I laugh. You joked about him being your boyfriend. Lol... We shared laughter and tears through some tough times. I was happy you got to see happiness out of that! You will always be remembered fondly. You were beautiful when you were young, and just beautiful as the years passed. I could go on, of course. We love you! Monte and Jessica Papa-Romero



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**Jessica Romero** - April 22 at 03:42 PM

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“ The first day I met her, she came into my apartment in Green Island, Diana was pretty young. She picked her up on behalf of her parents. Once she picked her up to go, she scooped her right into her arms. I could see the love and bond they had from that day on ❤️❤️ Diane and Diana were pretty close as Nanna's and granddaughters. Play all the pictures that Diana posted you can see how strong that bond was. God bless you all, keep up your faith. Fly high Diane and until you meet your family again. ❤️ you will be missed!

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**Cheryl Ryan** - April 22 at 11:09 AM