



Deborah Jayne Mankus

May 12, 1965 - February 13, 2023

It is with great sadness that the family of Deborah "Debbie" Jayne Mankus announce her passing at home on February 13th, 2023, at the age of 57.

Debbie was born May 12, 1965, in Steyning, England, to Clive and Ann Cherry. At age of 10, she moved with her family to the US and found a home in Endwell, NY. After graduating from high school and college, she moved to Charlotte, NC and worked as a Paralegal. In Charlotte, Debbie blossomed when she and John met and married; a dream fulfilled when Bradley was born a year later. It was clear she had found her place, her center, and the two loves of her life.

As a devoted mother and loving wife, family was incredibly important to Debbie. She had a way of always being there when you needed her. Debbie's infectious smile and caring personality made her a joy to be around. Her happiness radiated to those around her, gaining her life-long friendships around the world.

Enjoying the "beach life" as often as possible, Debbie loved basking in the sun while reading a good book. She found peace listening to the relaxing sound of waves crash on the shore. As an artist, she created many pieces, but seascapes based on beaches they visited, were her favorite. Debbie's talents were many as a painter and musician, although many will remember her flare

for baking and decorating birthday and wedding cakes. The cakes were not only creatively decorated but delicious.

She leaves a legacy to be cherished by her survivors, husband, John V. Mankus; son, Bradley Mankus; parents, Clive and Ann Cherry; brothers, Mark Cherry and wife, Samantha, and Ian Cherry and wife, Norma; nephew, Max Cherry and wife, Kali; mother-in-law, Grace Mankus; brother-in-law, Jim Mankus; sister-in-law, Mary Mankus; nieces, Lily and Bailey; nephew, Finian. She was preceded in death by father in-law, John R. Mankus; and brother in-law, Bill Mankus.

A Celebration of Life service will be held by the family on Sunday, February 19, 2023, at 5:00 PM, at Cavin-Cook Funeral Home, 494 East Plaza Drive, Mooresville, NC.

The family would like to extend their sincere appreciation to all who offered their unwavering compassion and support during her illness. Your kindness will never be forgotten.

Cavin-Cook Funeral Home and Crematory, Mooresville, is serving the Mankus family.

Condolences may be sent to the family at www.cavin-cook.com.

For those unable to attend in person, please use the following link to view the service live:

<https://view.oneroomstreaming.com/index.php?data=MTY3Njc4MDU1NTIzNjc4OCZvbmVyb29tLWFKbWluJmNvcHlfbGluaw==>

Previous Events

Memorial Service

FEB 19. 5:00 PM - 5:45 PM (ET)

Cavin-Cook Chapel
494 E. Plaza Drive
Mooresville, NC 28115

Receiving Friends

FEB 19. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Cavin-Cook Funeral Home
494 E. Plaza Drive
Mooresville, NC 28115

Tribute Wall



“ *Cavin-Cook Funeral Home & Crematory created a Celebration Of Life Live Stream (5:00pm) in memory of Deborah Jayne Mankus*



Cavin-Cook Funeral Home & Crematory - February 18, 2023 at 06:31 PM

CZ

“ *2 files added to the album Debs*



Cathy Zell - February 20, 2023 at 10:22 AM

CW

“ Thank you all so much for sharing this moment through the webcast. Debbie and I went to high school together. Though I'd not seen her in 40 years, my memory of her is and always will be strong. She was a beacon of joy and laughter. She brought out the best in everyone around her. Coincidentally, John was my roommate through college. When I had heard they found each other in North Carolina, I wasn't surprised. It made sense to me - they were made for each other. I was happy for both of them. John - remember the moments. Never forget. Benjamin - You do the same. And, please, both of you - be there for each other. There may be times you think the other is doing just fine but reach out anyway and let them know you're there. Debbie's, and your mom's, Benjamin, light is within each of you. Keep it shining.

Carl Williams - February 19, 2023 at 05:47 PM

LJ

“ Love, Beckie Johnson purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Deborah Jayne Mankus.



Love, Beckie Johnson - February 17, 2023 at 04:57 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Deborah Jayne Mankus.



February 17, 2023 at 03:48 PM