



Gale Ellen Parrino

July 22, 1943 - November 9, 2022

Gale Ellen (Soule) Parrino, age 79, of Grant Park, Illinois passed away November 9, 2022, with her family by her side.

She was born on July 22, 1943, in Yreka, California to parents Andrew and Marvel Soule.

Gale is survived by her loving family; daughter, Elizabeth Longhini, and son, Michael (Susan) Parrino; grandchildren, Michael J. Parrino, Alessandra Parrino, Brianna Parrino, Grace Marchert, Austin Marchert and Dominic Parrino; “sister” and life-long best friend, Maureen (Bill) Ritchie; ex-husband, Andrew Parrino, father to Elizabeth and Michael; niece, Lynn Bridwell (Soule’) and nephew, Alan Soule Jr.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Andrew and Marvel Soule and brother, Alan (Nancy) Soule.

Gale graduated from Yreka High School. After traveling and living in Argentina, Brazil, Spain, and Taiwan with her family during Elizabeth’s and Michael’s early childhood years, she settled down in Sauk Village, Illinois. She worked as a claim’s processor for Travelers and United Health Care Insurance for over twenty-five years before retirement. In 2016, she found her dream location, home and neighborhood in Grant Park, Illinois.

Gale devoted her life to her children, grandchildren, and multiple pets. She enjoyed celebrating and decorating for every holiday (especially Christmas), watching movies on the Hallmark Channel and spending time with family, friends, and wonderful neighbors.

Visitation and a celebration of life will be held on Friday, November 25, 2022, from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm at Jensen Funeral Home, 3639 East State Route 17, Kankakee, IL 60901.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to the American Heart Association www.heart.org or Kankakee County Humane Foundation www.k3humanefoundation.org. Online condolences may be made to the family at www.jensenfuneralhome.com.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

NOV 25. 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

Jensen Funeral Home
3639 EAST State Route 17
Kankakee, IL 60901
jensenfuneralhomes@yahoo.com

Tribute Wall



“ *Gale Ellen Parrino*

October 08, 2023 at 04:39 PM



“ *Elizabeth and Mike/Sue, Your mom was a special soul who loved you both as well as her Grandkids (Grace,Austin,Michael,Alessa, Brianna, Dominic) , she never forgot a birthday and had the biggest heart for all of the animals in her life , Im sure Dookie & Butkus are waiting for her at the Rainbow bridge. I am sorry for your loss , but know that there is a new Angel in heaven watching over you all .*

Love Jeff

Jeff Marchert - November 25, 2022 at 04:28 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Gale Ellen Parrino.*



November 23, 2022 at 04:21 PM

AP

“ Liz and Mike, I wish I was with y'all at this time to to share the memories of the times I shared with y'all and your sweet mother. I am thankful for her raising y'all to be such wonderful children. I know y'all miss her very much.

Love,
Dad

Andy Parrino - November 23, 2022 at 04:08 PM

AP

“ Gale, Thank you for raising Liz and Mike to be wonderful and loving children. I'm sorry that I was not with you over the years to see them grow up and give them the opportunity to live with a loving mother and father. You are now with our Lord Jesus Christ to care for you.

Andy Parrino - November 23, 2022 at 03:59 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Gale Ellen Parrino.



November 23, 2022 at 03:18 AM

RE

“ Having met Gale recently, I was fortunate. She was such a kind and sweet woman who spoke of her family and friends with such love. She loved her kitties and her shows! I enjoyed our conversations and will miss her. Never complained even though she didn't feel well. She was a true gem!

Renee - November 16, 2022 at 03:14 PM

HM

“Mike and Liz-you have been blessed with so many great memories of this loving Mom and strong woman who showed by her example the truth of the wonderful old adage “when the going gets tough, the tough get going.”

We will miss receiving her cheery cards and notes on all our special days.

With all our love,

Betty and Harry

Harry McKee - November 15, 2022 at 03:04 PM

MT

“We miss you so much and keep looking for you but it is okay because Dana and Liz are taking care of us and giving us our SNICKY SNACKS, loving on us and feeding us well.

Love your Kit Kats,

Mandy and Tianna ❤️🐾🐾🐾



Mandy and Tianna - November 15, 2022 at 10:42 AM

LI

“ Mom,

All through my life, I have known I could turn to you to help me think things through or figure out just what direction was right for me.

With your steady patience, love and understanding, you've only not listened to me and shared your advice, but you have always reminded me to be true to myself, and honor my values and follow my dreams.

From the guidance you've offered to the confidence and wisdom that you've built in me you've made me stronger than you will ever know, and even though you are not with us now, I wanted to tell you that you that I will always reach out when I need a little help from my Mom.

I love you,

Your Little Missy - Liz

Liz - November 15, 2022 at 08:33 AM

DH

“ Gale was a wonderful neighbor and dear friend. Our hearts are with her family at this difficult time.

*Love ,
Dana & Judy*

Dana Hesse - November 14, 2022 at 04:44 PM



I miss talking to you, Gale, either on the deck or on the phone every day. Wish you were still with us.

Love, Pat

Pat Pilat - November 22, 2022 at 01:26 PM