



Diana R. Romain

September 5, 1950 - December 15, 2016

Diana R. Romain 66 of Fort Myers died Thursday December 15, 2016. She was born September 5, 1950 in Campbellsville, KY, a daughter of William and Lera Russell Gaddie.

Diana earned a Master's Degree in Business Administration and worked as a Commercial Banker. In 1974 she moved to the Southwest Florida area from Montana.

She is survived by her husband Arveen B. Romain; son Christian (Laura Bogan) Romain of Berwyn, PA; daughter Mette (Kent Kraemer) Romain of Missoula, MT; son Ian (Elizabeth) Romain of Kalispell, MT; 3 grandchildren; brother Donald Gaddie Jr. of Pine Island, FL; and brother David (Kim) Gaddie of Anaheim, CA.

No services are scheduled at this time.

Arrangements are being handled by Shikany's Bonita Funeral Home.

Tribute Wall



“ *Diana R. Romain*

October 09, 2023 at 03:40 AM

“ *Diana Russell Romain (née Gaddie) was born in Campbellsville Kentucky in 1950. This was while our father, Captain Bill Gaddie was on furlough from CAT during the 1949 - 1950 transition period for the airline.*

In 1950 Diana went to live in Tokyo with her family, which would be her home up to 1973.

She initially attended Tachikawa Elementary School and by the fifth grade was attending Sacred Heart School for girls in Tokyo where she graded from High School in 1969.

Diana went on to four years of Ithaca College in New York earning a BA degree in History. She went on to Thunderbird Graduate School of International Management along with Perry Smith and Harry Cockrell Jr., where she earned a masters degree in International Management.

Diana was hired out of graduate school by the International Division of the Bank of America and initial worked in San Francisco for a few years before being transferred to London where her first son Christian was born. From London they moved back to the U.S., to Richardson Texas and then on to Los Angeles, California. Diana had two more children Metta Romain and Ian Romain. They spent a few years in Seoul South Korea before returning to Montana to start a business.

It was reported that Diana passed quickly in her home in Bonita Springs, Florida when her heart gave out. She was preceded in death by her father Captain Bill Gaddie (2004) and her mother Lera Gaddie (2013). She was a young 66 years old and was taken from us much too early. Diana is survived by her two younger brothers Donnie and David Gaddie, her husband Arveen Romain and her three children with three grandchildren and a slew of nieces and nephews.

Diana loved to read, travel and enjoyed raising her family. Her life success and her legacy should be that she successfully saw her three children through college, who have all gone forward to careers and families of their own.

As with everyone who had been fortunate enough to have known her, she truly enriched our lives and we learned much from her. She

was loved and cherished by our parents and by her family. If perhaps her life choices and luck had been more fortunate, she may have stayed with us for a while longer. Things in America were not what we expected and not the same as they had been in Japan for all of us, and I believe she missed Japan very much and our lives we had had there.

I like to remember Diana when we were all happy together, living uncomplicated unique lives all those wonderful years ago that our parents provided us in Japan. She was smart, beautiful, and talented. Diana had a warm, caring personality, and I will miss my big sister forever. We were all truly better for having her in our lives.

Respectfully submitted

David Gaddie (brother)



David Gaddie - January 01, 2017 at 04:27 PM

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“ *My sympathies to her family during this difficult time. May she rest in peace.*

Bev Duff

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