



## Marion Veronica Rhode

January 29, 1944 - February 5, 2019

Marion V. Rhode was born January 29, 1944 in Brooklyn, NY. She ran the neighborhood with her lifelong friends Joan, Joanie and Ann Marie. Marion grew up fast, worked hard, eventually married and had four daughters.

In 1978, when her mother needed her care, she left everything that was familiar to her and moved herself and her children to Naples, Florida. In Naples she made new lifelong friends, worked hard and eventually married again. Ramon (Ray) Rhode was the love of her life. Ray gave her love, friendship, comfort and incredible joy. He preceded her death in 2007. She was also preceded by her mother, all seven siblings, and too many friends and family members to count.

Marion will be missed by many but especially missed by her girls. While growing up with little, she taught them much- especially that they were “enough”; more than good enough, smart enough and resourceful enough to be able to accomplish anything they set their minds to. While she sometimes struggled with self-doubt, she gave her daughters, and countless others, the breadth and depth of support they needed when they needed it most. Her daughters Niquette (Niki), Jamie, Alexandra (Ali) and Kimberly (Kim) will forever treasure their memories of her. Additionally, Marion’s “bonus” daughter Barbara remained a treasured friend.

Marion truly loved her children's spouses Alec, Scot, and Tina and thought of them as her own. Her grandchildren Rachael, Christopher, Danielle, Samantha, Kyle and Luca will fondly remember their "Nannie". Her "bonus" grandchildren Tashina, Natalie, Sabrina, Savannah, Emily Dustin, Dylan, their spouses and children were loved and cherished by Nannie. Coming from a large family, Marion had many nieces and nephews who will miss her, especially her Goddaughter Lori who stepped in to help whenever needed. Countless friends including Nancy, Leslie, Mary, Billy and Joe will miss her incredible spirit but continue the party without the brightest guest, most gracious host and best dancer they have ever known.

There are no formal services planned at this time. Marion asked that you take a moment to raise a glass, turn on some tunes, dance as if no one is watching and laugh until you either cry or wet your pants. A gathering will be held in her honor soon. Please reach out to her family for details. In lieu of flowers contributions may be made to MD Anderson Cancer Center, P.O. Box 4486, Houston, TX 77210-4486 or [www.mdanderson.org/gifts](http://www.mdanderson.org/gifts).

# Tribute Wall



“ *Marion Veronica Rhode*

October 09, 2023 at 03:40 AM



“ *Marion was one of a kind and she will be so missed. For the past 38 years we have shared so many wonderful memories and so much laughter. Marion will live in our hearts and never be forgotten*

*Love you girlfriend  
Nancy Puccia*



**Nancy Puccia** - February 16, 2019 at 11:33 PM



**Niki Wheeler** - February 18, 2019 at 08:40 PM



“ *Having known Marion for many years, I could not agree more with what you said about your mom. Wonderful woman and always so positive. Her being gone to a better place is still a sad day for all of us who remember the joy she brought to us...David & Suzanne Bradach*

**DAVID J BRADACH** - February 11, 2019 at 09:47 AM



*Thank you David and Suzanne. We welcome the time when this won't hurt so much. Thank you.*

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**Niki Wheeler** - February 13, 2019 at 03:47 PM

JH

*Miss her Nik. I'm sorry I was unable to spend more time with her before she passed. Because when we were together just before she died it was as if time stood still and we were kids again. You were right there for her and she knew it. Keep in touch. You and your sisters have each other and that will sustain you. You're part of her and so she lives on in each of you. Love you ❤️*

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**joan hidalgo** - February 22, 2019 at 04:41 PM

JE

*“ To Nikki, Jamie, Ali, Kim, and Barbara, my deepest condolences. I have nothing but great memories of your mother. She was simply a GREAT lady. Jim Ellis*

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**Jim Ellis** - February 10, 2019 at 09:22 AM



*Thank you, Jim. ❤️*

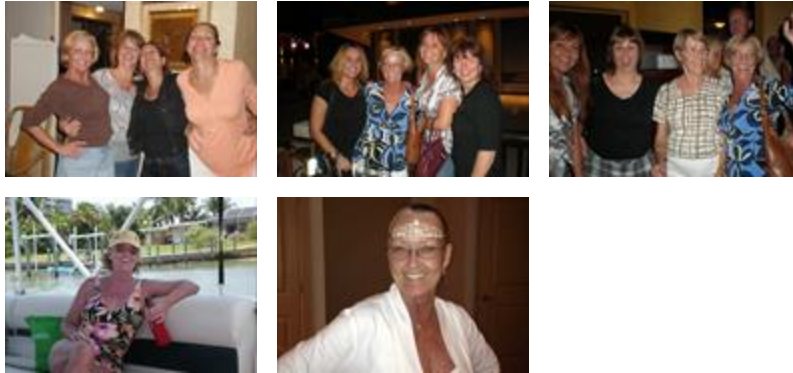
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**Niki Wheeler** - February 12, 2019 at 05:15 PM



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“ 6 files added to the album Memories Album



Lori - February 08, 2019 at 09:26 AM

RP

“ Roseanne Podany lit a candle in memory of Marion Veronica Rhode



roseanne podany - February 08, 2019 at 08:45 AM



❤️. Thank you.

Niki Wheeler - February 12, 2019 at 05:17 PM

Michele  
Tanzella

“ Christmas Eve together....she sure my stuffed clams. Her incredible strength...always putting her daughter's first. Calling me from Reno to let me know she married the love of her life. Being here for my 50th!

Will miss you girlfriend...but u will never be forgotten. Miss Michele

Michele Tanzella - February 08, 2019 at 06:50 AM

BE

“ Marion and I had many fun times and great memories but the one I will treasure were in her last days entering into her bedroom saying hi Marion and her responding with great smile and gleam in her eye ,Hi Bill.

Marion you will not be forgotten 💖

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**Bill Ebel** - February 07, 2019 at 09:55 PM



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**Niki Wheeler** - February 10, 2019 at 09:42 AM