



## Mary Susan Cleary-Baumann

July 7, 1952 - October 17, 2023

Mary Susan Cleary-Baumann, 71 of Bonita Springs died unexpectedly on Tuesday, October 17, 2023. Formerly of Halifax, Nova Scotia she had been a resident of Bonita Springs since 1994. She was born July 7, 1952 in Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada, eldest daughter of the late C. Mark and Margaret G. (Edwards) Cleary.

In Halifax, Susan graduated from Saint Mary's University with her Bachelor of Arts Degree, Mount Saint Vincent University with her Bachelors of Business Administration Degree Summa Cum Laude and she earned her Juris Doctorate at Dalhousie University. Susan was the recipient of the very prestigious Governor General of Canada Gold Medal of Academic Excellence awarded to students achieving the highest academic standing at the graduate level.

She worked as an attorney for the Province of Nova Scotia and her career primarily focused on Tax and Property Law. Mrs. Cleary-Baumann was a member of Hunter's Ridge Golf and Country Club; was the loving care giver to her late husband Donald; and enjoyed life, especially lunches and shopping with her sister, Jeannine.

Survivors include her siblings, Mark P.F. Cleary of Black Point, Nova Scotia, Canada, John G. Cleary of North York, Ontario, Canada and Margaret

Jeannine Grandy Martindale of Naples, FL; stepchildren, Ginnie (Dan) Robilotta of Kenner, LA and Shane Baumann of Bonita Springs, FL; and all of the Martindale Family. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Donald William Baumann; and brother, R. Bernard Cleary. Susan will be sorely missed by her family and many friends including her lifetime best friends Janet, Donna and Candy bowl Ann.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated in Halifax, Nova Scotia at a later date and will be announced.

Online condolences may be offered by visiting [www.ShikanyFuneralHome.com](http://www.ShikanyFuneralHome.com).

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# Tribute Wall



“ We are heartbroken to hear about Susan's passing. She was someone of enormous courage and kindness. I remember the many times Dan and I visited and I would offer to cook some Louisiana dish. She would say, " Have at it girlie." Susan and I both preferred our coffee and Lean Cuisines, but my Dad and Dan would want me to make Crawfish Etouffee! Those were good times. Rest in peace, sweet lady. I know you are with God now.

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**Ginnie Robilotta** - November 03, 2023 at 12:22 AM

RR

“ So very sorry for your loss. She will be dearly missed. Thinking of you all at this sad time. Rose and George Rattray

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**rose rattray** - October 28, 2023 at 04:40 PM

RR

“ So sorry for your loss. Susan was a very dear and sweet soul. She will be very missed . Thinking of you all at this time. Rose and George Rattray

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**rose rattray** - October 27, 2023 at 05:19 PM

RA

“ So very sorry for your loss. Susan was a very dear and sweet soul. She will be very missed. Thinking of you all. Rose and George Rattray

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**Rattray** - October 27, 2023 at 03:54 PM

MG

“ Susan's best friend💕💕



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**Margaret grandy** - October 26, 2023 at 02:10 PM

MG

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**Margaret grandy** - October 26, 2023 at 01:44 PM

TE

“ To Jeannine, John and Mark,  
My sympathies and prayers on the passing of your sister (and my  
cousin) Susan. I remember her as always being thoughtful and  
bright as was your mother. Hope to attend the Mass in Halifax.  
Tony Edwards

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**Tony Edwards** - October 26, 2023 at 11:10 AM

MG

Thank you Tony....yes she was💕💕 I remember going out your house  
when we were kids. We will post when we know when mass will be up  
there

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**Margaret grandy** - October 27, 2023 at 12:52 PM

ME

“ Mark, John and Jeannine please accept our sincere sympathies on Susan's passing. When we check the newspaper in the mornings we sometimes look to make sure we are not there. Seeing someone you know is shocking enough but when we find a cousin it is both shocking and unsettling. We will keep an eye out for the announcement of the funeral Mass in Halifax. In the meantime Susan, your parents and yourselves will be in our prayers. Mike (& Judy) Edwards

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**Mike Edwards** - October 26, 2023 at 11:01 AM

MG

Thank you so much Mike. Susan is up there with her husband, parents , Bernard, and best friend ..we will post when we know when mass will be

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**Margaret grandy** - October 27, 2023 at 01:04 PM

GR

“ Absolutely devastated this a.m. to learn of Susan's passing. First met her in the late 70's when I started working with her Dad at Cote, Cleary & Assocs. From that time on, her Dad remained an important part of my life until the day he passed. Susan articulated with us and practiced law in her Dad's firm for a few years as well. Poor Mark, he had a hard enough time with us one-on-one but having us join forces, he never stood a chance. Susan was always great to work with; so very kind and thoughtful all of the time. I never did anything for either of them that I did not hear "thank you" afterwards. So many memories but what I will remember most is the hair twirl and the bobby socks. She was always meticulously dressed....and then you looked down and saw the socks and when she was concentrating on a file one of those curls would be constantly twirled around a finger. Her goal was always that Florida sunshine and I'm glad she got to have so many happy years there. John, Jeannine & Jr., I am so very sorry for your loss. Love, Gayla

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**GAYLA REINHARD** - October 24, 2023 at 09:06 PM

MG

*Aw Gayla.... Thank You....and Thank you for sharing those beautiful and funny memories....finger hair twirling! Also Thank you for being so good to my father for all those years. 💕💕*

**Margaret grandy** - October 26, 2023 at 01:43 PM

KC

*“ We are so sad to hear of the passing of Susan, she will be missed. One of our favourite memories of Sue is when our first son was born back in 2013, luckily she was in Halifax visiting that time and she came to the hospital to meet Blake. She was so happy to get a chance to meet her nephews first son. We are sending our love and thoughts to everyone touched by the loss of Susan. xo Krystle & Jeff Cleary*

**Krystle Cleary** - October 24, 2023 at 12:41 PM

MG

*Thank you Krystle...yes...she was so happy to meet Blake....I strongly feel she is ok up , she has lots if love waiting for her that's for sure.*

**Margaret grandy** - October 24, 2023 at 04:32 PM

KL

*So sorry*

**Kathleen Lee** - October 24, 2023 at 06:33 PM

CA

*My heartfelt condolences to Susans family ( hugs)*

**Crystal Arsenaully** - October 26, 2023 at 03:02 PM

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**Crystal Arsenault** - October 26, 2023 at 03:03 PM

SC

“ *My dear sister-in-law has gone home to be greeted with an abundance of love and peace. Sending healing love and light to John, Mark and Jeannine*

*Sue Cleary*



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**Sue Cleary** - October 24, 2023 at 12:11 PM

MG



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**Margaret grandy** - October 24, 2023 at 04:29 PM

MS

“ *So sorry to read this Susan was such a nice person had lots of good times with her always a smile on her face gold bless you all at this time hugs Jeannine I know how close you were*

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**Maureen Supple-Grandy** - October 24, 2023 at 11:18 AM

MG

*Thank you Maureen....she always liked you too* ❤️

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**Margaret grandy** - October 24, 2023 at 04:26 PM

MC

“ *Jeannine, John, Mark and Families,  
So sorry for your loss, my thoughts and prayers are with you all.  
Mitzi Churchill*

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**Mitzi Churchill** - October 24, 2023 at 07:57 AM

MG

*Thank You Mitzi....I was wondering how I was gonna let you know....she is up there with Don and Bernard and my parents and her very best friend Patsy....and every other loved one up there too* ❤️

**Margaret grandy** - October 24, 2023 at 04:28 PM

JD

“ *I am missing Susan so much all ready.  
She has been a dear,dear friend for over 50 years.  
My first treasured memory of Susan was a road trip to Boston in 1969 with Mark driving three loud teenagers,radio blasting all the way to Boston where we shopped and stayed with family and had a wonderful time.  
Over the years,Susan has been a constant in my life sharing joys and sorrows and always a phone call away.  
Our last roadtrip to visit Donna and Kevin in PEI was such a fun trip. I know how important family was to Susan and have always cherished the fact that she came from Florida in 2012 for my sister Pat's funeral.Susan and her were joined at the hip.May they both rest in peace and rejoice in being together for eternity.  
I love you Girlie and you have a place in my heart forever.  
Condolences to Jeannine,Mark and John  
Janet Dion*

**Janet Dion** - October 21, 2023 at 10:47 AM

MG

*I am so sorry Janet....I miss her bad already too..but I am so happy she had you in her life. She valued you more than you may know. I take solace in knowing she is with all of her loved ones up there including my parents, my brother and your beautiful sister....I have fun memories of Susan and Patsy together too* 💕

**Margaret grandy** - October 21, 2023 at 09:57 PM

MG

“ She sure is.....no purgatory for Susan...she went straight through..I'm sure of it.💕💕



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**Margaret grandy** - October 21, 2023 at 08:05 AM

J(

“ Our sincere condolences to Jeannine, John and Mark on Susan's sudden death.

*Susan was a kind, caring, extremely intelligent person with integrity and a wonderful sense of humour and will be missed by all who knew her.*

*One memory that I have of Susan is the day of Jeannine's birth. In those years fathers-to-be left their wives at the hospital and were told to go home to await a phone call from a nurse telling them that their son or daughter had been born. I was babysitting Susan, Bernard and John and a while after Mark got home the phone rang to tell him that he and his wife were the parents of a daughter. Susan and I who were hoping and praying for a girl hugged each other screaming screams of joy and bouncing up and down for what seemed like hours while Bernard and John watched. The nurse, hearing the uproar over the phone asked Mark "How many children do you have Mr. Cleary?" no doubt thinking he had a house full considering the noise we were making.*

*Rest in peace, dear cousin.*

*Joan (Edwards) Last and family*

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**Joan Last (Cousin)** - October 20, 2023 at 08:15 PM

MG

*Joan!....Thank you so much for conveying this memory! She and my mum love you so much! I hope all is well with you....I always loved when you came around...your smile and sense of humour are contagious....I hope you and the girls are all doing great....I wish you could come in July when we place Susan on with her husband Don*

Margaret grandy - October 21, 2023 at 10:05 PM

MG

“ Thank you so much for lowering the Hunter’s Ridge flag to half mast. She spent almost 30 yrs there and loved it, as did her husband Don.



Margaret grandy - October 20, 2023 at 04:53 PM

MG

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Margaret grandy - October 20, 2023 at 04:50 PM

MG

“ I could not have asked for a better sister than Susan. She has been there for me my whole life and was my best friend. I miss her so much already...I will write more at another time



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**Margaret grandy** - October 20, 2023 at 04:49 PM

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**Margaret grandy** - October 20, 2023 at 04:18 PM

KE

“ I am deeply saddened to learn of Susan's passing. She was a light in my life. Her sense of humor was contagious and she was a joy to be around. Although I hadn't seen her for a long time, we always kept in touch over the years.

*My sincere condolences to the family. Aunt Kerry, Calgary, Canada*

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**Kerry Edwards** - October 20, 2023 at 12:44 PM

MG

Nice true words Aunt Kerry...she loved you and loved being around you as well💕

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**Margaret grandy** - October 20, 2023 at 04:44 PM

DK

“ *Janine, John, Mark,  
Hearfelt condolences to all of you!  
Susan will be missed dearly as a long time loving friend. Her faith,  
family and close friends were important to her. I know her quality of  
life wasn't good at the end but it is still a shock that I will not be able  
to talk and laugh with her. I have lots of pleasant memories of our  
times together. I'm so glad she made it to our cottage in PEI. Now  
there will be no pain for her and peace in heaven.  
Love and hugs, Donna and family  
Also, sincere sympathy from Marg and Kevin and family*

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**Donna Myers Keating** - October 20, 2023 at 12:07 PM

MG

*Thank you for being such a great friend to her for such a long  
time....She spoke of you a lot and valued your friendship so much💕*

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**Margaret grandy** - October 20, 2023 at 04:46 PM