



Elaine Mele

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Elaine Mele peacefully passed away in Dallas, TX on June 12, 2020 surrounded by her family.

Elaine was born in Brooklyn, NY on December 2, 1932, as the youngest of three siblings to Patrick and Helen Allatin. She attended high school at Fontbonne Hall and received her bachelor's degree from St. John's University where she met the love of her life. On September 18, 1952, she married Salvatore Mele. They enjoyed a full life together with their four beloved daughters.

Elaine was a true woman of grace and a pillar of strength to the community. Her greatest love was embedded in her Catholic faith where she was a member of St. Rita Catholic Community for the past 45 years. She devoted her life to various ministry groups and served in many capacities such as Eucharistic minister, Good Samaritan and marriage preparation sponsor. She also enjoyed the YMCA, the opera, the Dallas Arboretum and other cultural activities. She loved cooking, entertaining and cherished her many friendship groups. Her passion was her family, including four daughters and three granddaughters. She reveled in attending milestone events and supported all in their endeavors.

Elaine is survived by her children Celeste, Paula, Claudia, Claudia's husband, Jeff, and Monica, granddaughters Francesca, Isabella, and Gabriela, her sister-in-law Carmela, nieces, nephews, and numerous dear friends. She is preceded in death by her husband Salvatore, her sister Audrey, and her brother Freddie.

Visitation will be 3-5 p.m., Friday, June 19, 2020, at Restland Funeral Home, 13005 Greenville Ave. in Dallas. A mass will be at 11 a.m., June 20, 2020, at St. Rita Catholic Church located at 12521 Inwood Road in Dallas, and burial will immediately follow at Restland. Mass will also be live-streamed at <https://youtu.be/d20rKigi9IE>. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to St. Rita Catholic Community or Semones Family YMCA (Town North).



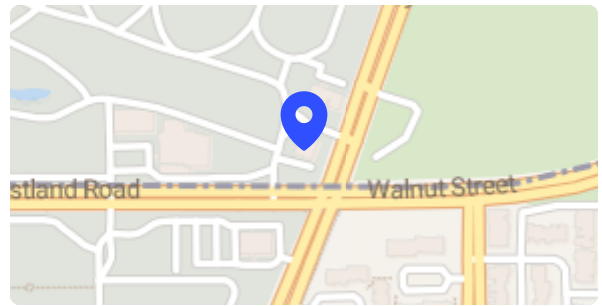
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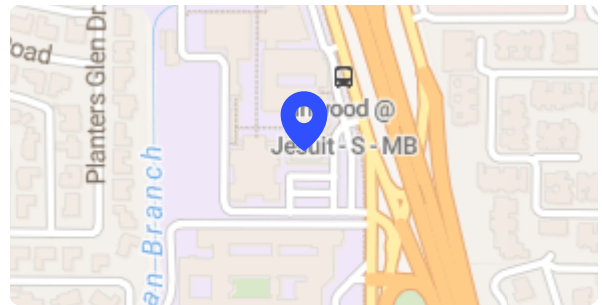
Visitation

- Friday**, June 19, 2020
- 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM CT
- Restland Funeral Home & Crematory**
13005 Greenville Avenue, Dallas TX 75243



Mass

- Saturday**, June 20, 2020
- 11:00 AM CT
- St. Rita Catholic Church**
12521 Inwood Road, Dallas TX 75244





Tribute Wall

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DP

Donna Regan Parker posted:

Dearest Mele family,I share in your grief. Elaine was more than a friend. She shared every picture of every family events with me. I loved her. I will cherish every hour I spent with her as her hairdresser. ...p.s. she made me cut it that short ❤️

June 22 at 6:08 PM

LP

Lexy Piotrowski posted:

We send our sincerest condolences to your entire family. We adored Elaine and will cherish the memories we had of her and your family over the years at St. Rita. What a special lady!Love,The Sliva FamilyMarilyn, Larry, Laura andLexy & Dave Piotrowski

June 20 at 12:32 PM

CH

Charles posted:

Celeste and family, My wife and I loved your Mom. The grace and joy she offered when around her made all who came in contact with her, thanking God for bring her into our lives. As a deacon she always thanked me for being part of the liturgy.I was with her at the Fr. Hugh's funeral. It was sad to see him go, but I got to see Elaine as a wonderful Christian with a deep abiding love for our Savior. It was a celebration and our friendship grew. Patti and I will miss her, our faith community will miss her, and all who know her will continue to be a better person because of this Grace filled lady.Patti and Deacon Charles

June 18 at 2:55 PM

FF

From The Skip Croft Family sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Mele family.



June 18 at 12:29 PM

SL

Sophie Langlinais posted:

Elaine was more than a friend to me and my family. She was family. I have known herfor almost 40 years. Always kind and caring to everyone she knew. She was always ready to help anyone in need. Elaine loved the ministries she was involved with at St. Rita.She had a beautiful smile and a laugh that melted your heart.Claudia, Paula, Celeste, Monica. God Bless You. I will miss your Mom terribly.Love,Sophie Langlinais

June 18 at 7:44 AM



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John, Barbara, Jimmy, Jane, Regina And Families sent a Lily and Rose Tribute Spray to the Mele family.

June 18 at 6:52 AM



Anonymous sent an Arrive in Style to the Mele family.

June 17 at 5:48 AM



The Alfonso & Welsch Family sent a Full Of Love Bouquet to the Mele family.

June 16 at 12:58 PM



Anonymous sent a Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet to the Mele family.

June 16 at 11:31 AM





Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Elaine by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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