



Mrs. Marilyn Irene Ferikes

March 1, 1948 - March 1, 2019

Marilyn Irene Ferikes passed away at the age of 71 on her birthday, March 1, 2019, from the debilitating effects of Parkinson's disease. A native of Asheville, she was the daughter of the late Nathaniel Prince Maddux and Avenelle Rose Maddux, as well as the oldest of six children.

Marilyn graduated from North Buncombe High School, then left for Atlanta where she worked as a flight attendant for Eastern Airlines. While in Atlanta, she met her husband and soulmate Joe, also an Asheville native, even though they did not know each other while growing up in Asheville.

Joe and Marilyn moved back to Asheville in 1984. After Eastern Airlines went bankrupt in 1991, Marilyn went back to school for photography and became an accomplished photographer. She won many awards for her photography, including a series of photographs of the dignified ladies of the Eastern Band of the Cherokee Nation.

Marilyn always wanted to continue her education and received her Bachelor of Arts degree from UNCA one day after her daughter Stassa received her Bachelor of Science degree from Appalachian State.

Marilyn and Joe were blessed with two children, Stassa and Alex. She was extremely proud to watch both of them grow and become professionals—Stassa an ER Veterinarian and Alex an Orthopaedic Surgeon.

Marilyn is survived by her husband Joe, daughter Stassa (Jon), son Alex (Tiana), four grandchildren; Lincoln, Penelope, Theo, and one more on the way; sisters Busy (Bobby) and Natalie; brothers Mike (Carla), and David (Charles); and ten nieces and nephews.

Trisagion services and visitation will be held at Morris Funeral Home on Merrimon Avenue on Sunday March 3, from 5 to 6pm.

The funeral services and burial at Riverside Cemetery will take place at the Greek Orthodox Church at 227 Cumberland Ave at 11am on Monday, March 4, 2019.

Memorials may be made to the Michael J. Fox Parkinson's Foundation or to the Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church whose members she loved and cherished.

www.morrisfamilyfuneralhome.com

Cemetery Details

Riverside Cemetery

53 Birch Street
Asheville, NC 28801

Previous Events

Family will Receive Friends

MAR 3. 5:00 PM - 5:45 PM (ET)

Morris Funeral & Cremation Care
304 Merrimon Ave.
Asheville, NC 28801
(828) 252-1821
info@morrisfamilycare.com
<http://www.morrisfamilycare.com>

Trisagion

MAR 3. 5:45 PM (ET)

Chapel of Morris Funeral Home
304 Merrimon Ave.
Asheville, NC 28801
(828) 252-1821
info@morrisfamilycare.com
<http://morrisfamilycare.com>

Funeral Service

MAR 4. 11:00 AM (ET)

Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church
Asheville, NC 28801
<http://www.holytrinityasheville.com>

Tribute Wall



“ *Mrs. Marilyn Irene Ferikes*

October 07, 2023 at 11:15 AM



“ *My husband was diagnosed of Parkinsons disease 2 years ago, when he was 59. He had a stooped posture, tremors, right arm does not move and also a pulsating feeling in his body. He was placed on Senemet for 8 months and then Siferol was introduced and replaced the Senemet, during this time span he was also diagnosed with dementia. He started having hallucinations, lost touch with reality. Suspecting it was the medication I took him off the Siferol (with the doctor's knowledge) him on PD natural herbal formula we ordered from TREE OF LIFE HEALTH CLINIC, his symptoms totally declined over a 3 weeks use of the TREE OF LIFE HEALTH Parkinson's disease natural herbal formula. He is now almost 61 and doing very well, the disease is totally reversed! (w w w. treeoflifeherbalclinic .com)*

Mary belinda - September 22, 2021 at 03:15 AM



“ *We fondly remember our son, James playing baseball on NALL with your son ,%Alex. We are terribly sorry about the loss of Marilyn. Sam and Brenda Lewis*

Sam and Brenda Lewis - March 06, 2019 at 05:57 PM



“ *I am so sorry for your loss! Marilyn was a beautiful person inside and out!!*



Dana Maddux - March 03, 2019 at 07:11 PM



“ *73 files added to the album Marilyn Ferikes Memories Album*



Morris Funeral Home - March 03, 2019 at 05:42 PM



“ *So sorry to hear your loss of Marilyn. My prayers go out to Joe and his family.*
Bobby Reagan

Bob Reagan - March 03, 2019 at 03:14 PM

MC

“ *Deepest, deepest sympathy. Wish I had known her. I have known Joseph and the wonderful Ferikes family since childhood. Be comforted because she is in peace. And know that your cherished memories are real treasures. God bless you all.*
Maria Lamprinakos Collias

Maria Collias - March 03, 2019 at 10:56 AM

SS

“ *Marilyn - a lovely neighbor who always brightened our day when we frequently crossed paths while strolling around.*

May she rest in piece, and her family and friends find some comfort knowing how beloved she was by those of us blessed to have become her friends.

Stuart Smolkin - March 03, 2019 at 08:42 AM

NL

“ *NANCY P LATHAN purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Mrs. Marilyn Irene Ferikes.*



NANCY P LATHAN - March 03, 2019 at 08:38 AM

MK

“Marilyn was a very special person and was always so friendly and had a sweet smile. After losing my husband to parkinsons almost 10 years ago, I know what the family went through. May she rest in peace now. Everyone was so happy last year to see her at the Greek Festival, even though she had trouble walking she went around to speak to different individuals and she gave us all a big hug. We all have that special moment with her and I saw her a few days ago before she passed. Memory eternal and our sympathy to Joe, Diane, Helen, all the children, grandchildren, brothers, sisters, and all the relatives.

Margaret Koutris - March 02, 2019 at 10:27 PM

MY

“Marilyn was a dear friend and always greeted me with her beautiful smile and a hug . One day she brought me some lovely photos of Nicholas at church that were really good I still have them and they will be more cherished now. My deepest sympathies to Joe the children and Diane . May God grant you peace.

Maria Yianopolous - March 02, 2019 at 09:00 PM

MA

“ I am so sorry for your loss of the wonderful person that Marilyn was. I first met her in the early 60's when the family moved to a house on Fairview Road in Oakley. I remember her coming to a slumber party at my house. We went to AC Reynolds together for a couple of years until she moved to North Buncombe. In 1968 we shared an apartment in Kenilworth for several months and it was there that Marilyn introduced me to my husband who she knew from North Buncombe. When we had to move from the apartment, the Maddux family welcomed me to live with them at their house on Forest Hill Drive for a number of months. The Madduxes were so kind to me and I remember what wonderful dinners Ruth made for us. Marilyn was a special person, always loving and kind. Such a sweet personality. I hope your memories of her will be a comfort in this time of such a huge loss. - Melanie Bevill Arrowood

Melanie Bevill Arrowood - March 02, 2019 at 05:00 PM

SA

“ Spiro, Sue , Austin and Jon Aliferis purchased the Adoring Heart for the family of Mrs. Marilyn Irene Ferikes.



Spiro, Sue , Austin and Jon Aliferis - March 02, 2019 at 11:21 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Mrs. Marilyn Irene Ferikes.



March 02, 2019 at 11:04 AM