



Gail J. Brousseau

January 12, 1939 - June 14, 2021

Gail J. (Warriner) Brousseau, 82, passed away peacefully at her residence in Northampton, MA on June 14, 2021 with loving family by her side. Born on January 12, 1939 in Northampton, MA, she was the youngest of three daughters, born to the late Dorothy (Dubois) Toole and Ralph W. Warriner. Gail was raised in Northampton, MA and was a graduate of Northampton High, class of '56.

Gail grew up across the street from the love of her life, Ernest Brousseau, and the two married in 1966, moving to Southwick, MA where they lovingly raised 7 children from their blended marriages. They moved to Lawrenceville, GA for 18 years before retiring to their home in Navarre, FL, where they resided for 20 years before recently returning home to Northampton, MA.

Gail was a multi-talented entrepreneur and spent over 40 years designing and sewing luxurious custom window treatments in her drapery workroom. She was also a proud partner of 'Stafford Decors', an Interior decorating shop, with her daughter Susan, in Stafford, VA for over 15 years.

Always very generous with her time, love, and faith, putting the needs of others above her own. Gail was vice-president and an active member of the Southwick Women's Club for numerous years. She worked countless hours volunteering for Hospice, as well as volunteering hundreds of hours sewing for many charities. Gail was an active member of ST. Sylvester's Catholic Church in Navarre, FL, in which she also enjoyed traveling on many trips overseas with her parish. She especially took pride in her volunteer work for the Naval

Air Museum, in Pensacola, FL where she gave over 3500 hours of her time, during her retirement with her husband Ernie, much of which of this time was used to help completely refurbish the historic PBY2 that Admiral Sherman flew into Tokyo Bay on, for the signing of the surrender document of the 2nd World War. This plane is now on display in the Naval Air Museum. Gail also spent many years volunteering her time every week to teach oil painting to many women in her beautiful home. She also enjoyed her many pets as well as tending to her magnificent floral gardens.

Gail will be extremely missed by her beloved husband Ernie, of 55 years; her loving children, Susan (Chandler) Armitage and husband David of Westfield, MA; Peter Chandler, Jr. of Alpharetta, GA; Gerald Brousseau of Cummings, GA; Victoria (Brousseau) Harry and husband Randy of Worland, WY; Dale Brousseau of Laramie, WY; Steven Brousseau and Rhonda of Navarre FL; her 12 Grandchildren, her Great Grandchildren, relatives, and close friends. Gail was preceded in death by her daughter, Debra (Chandler) Cusson; Grandson, Gary Chandler; her two sisters Carol Warriner, and Dawn (Warriner) Brown.

A private funeral is planned. DROZDAL FUNERAL HOME OF NORTHAMPTON has been entrusted with her services. In lieu of flowers, the family is requesting that donations be made in her memory to charities: St. Jude's Children's Hospital at stjude.org; Save the Animals Foundation at staf.org or Alzheimer's Association at act.alz.org.

Tribute Wall

MV

“ I am so sorry to see that Gail died.... She was a good friend and great boss... we both cried and cried when I had to say good bye to her when they moved to Florida. We kept in touch for years than I blew it... love, MaryEllen Vaden. Lilburn Ga

mary ellen vaden - August 13, 2021 at 09:11 PM

JF

“ Deepest condolences to your family. Gail and her family were good neighbors on Loomis St. She was always a busy woman. Gail tried to help me be a waitress, no go. 🙏 Jane Buotte Slater mother of Kathleen, Kristine, Jay, David and Veronica.

jane buotte Slater /Jacksonville, FI - July 09, 2021 at 06:55 PM

JS

“ Condolences from the Buotte family. We were neighbors on Loomis St. Gayle was a ball of energy

Jane Buotte Slater - July 05, 2021 at 09:24 AM

SC

“ Growing up Gail was like another mother to me. Along with my mother they enjoyed many if the same hobbies and talents for sewing and painting. One of my last and fondest memory of Gail, was after telling her about my interest on the show "Outlander," I loved the crochet scarfs they wore and before she left to go back to Florida, I had a beautiful handmade crochet cowl scarf, and of course a new lacy doiley. She was one of the last connections I had to my mom and for that I will always be grateful, beautiful women, wonderful talented mother's..part of that greatest generation. She will be missed and I will treasure her memory.

Susan Corey - July 04, 2021 at 02:15 PM



So very sorry to hear of Gail's passing. You and Gail went through so much, for such a long time, and I pray she is in peace. You both have been missed in our lives as you were both wonderful friends. So sad that you had to move away. You will always be in our thoughts!

Suzie Hinote - July 07, 2021 at 04:05 AM



Thank you Sue, I feel the same connection to you and your Mom, and I know my Mom always felt the connection to Loretta through you. I remember her loving to make that cowl scarf for you while she visited. She loved crocheting and the joy she received from giving her work to people. I'm glad you have this beautiful memory ❤️

Susie Armitage - July 12, 2021 at 11:07 AM