



Sally Lattuca

September 16, 1948 - May 22, 2022

Sally Lattuca died Sunday, May 22, 2022, after a long struggle with Parkinson's disease. Born September 16, 1948, to Pete and Suzanne Hogg, she lived most of her life in Ann Arbor, and graduated from Ann Arbor High School. She attended the Justin Morrill Residence College at Michigan State University and graduated with a BS in Social Science from Eastern Michigan University many years later. Early adult years were spent in West Germany and on a remote island in British Columbia, Canada. These experiences imbued strong self-reliance and shaped her perspective throughout her life. While in British Columbia, Sally gave birth to her daughter, Shelley. Sally married several times, but said that John Lattuca was her only real husband and hero. They married on a spectacular spring day in 2001.

Sally often pondered the qualities of truth, honesty, and memory -- and how these affect each of us. She was confounded by whether to fight or surrender to her illness, when neither seemed possible. She dealt with her illness with the assistance of her dear husband, John, her family, and a few close friends and healers. As a writer and editor, she ran her own company, Turn of Phrase, for most of her career. A redhead, Sally was passionate about fibers (sewing and weaving), dogs and horses, Contra and English Country dancing (where she met John), and "doing the right thing."

Sally lived an offbeat life and was a loyal, caring friend to many. Her husband,

John; daughter Shelley Betony Hanna; sister Nancy Jewett; and brother Peter Hogg Grayson live on. As do Theodore Boots Hanna, Sally's grandson; and Kyle and Gabrielle Trotto Lattuca, her step-grandchildren. She loved each of them and wished she could have spent more time with them. Sally's favorite dog, Farley J. Doodle, watched over her during her last years until his death in March 2016. Sally will see him again at the Rainbow Bridge.

A Mass of the Christian Burial will take place on Wednesday, June 1, 2022 at 11:00 A.M. at St. Andrew Catholic Church in Saline with Fr. John Linden as Celebrant. Friends may join the family for a time of visitation at the church from 10:00 A.M. until the time of Mass at 11:00 A.M. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions in her name may be made to the American Cancer Society or to the Parkinson's Foundation and envelopes will be available at the church. A live stream of the Mass may be viewed by visiting <https://youtu.be/5KUe-LNTS0w> To leave a memory you have of Sally, to sign her guestbook or for directions please visit www.rbfhsaline.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 1. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Andrew the Apostle Catholic Church
910 Austin Drive
Saline, MI 48176
<https://standrewsaline.org/>

Mass of Christian Burial

JUN 1. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

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Saline, MI 48176
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Tribute Wall



“ Robison-Bahnmilller Funeral Home & Cremation Services created a Live stream of the Mass for Sally in memory of Sally Lattuca



Robison-Bahnmilller Funeral Home & Cremation Services - May 31, 2022 at 10:36 AM



“ Sally Lattuca

October 23, 2023 at 01:07 PM



“ Sally and I worked together at both Bechtel and Comshare. We connected early and helped each other through many challenging milestones of motherhood, womanhood and just finding our voices together. She was a great listener and friend. I will remember our times together and really valued that we could be our authentic selves together and find a path to accept who we were and what our children meant to us. I love you.

Alice Peoples
Ypsilanti

Alice Peoples - June 01, 2022 at 09:16 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Sally Lattuca.*



May 29, 2022 at 09:23 AM



“ *John and family, The Pellowe family sends our sincerest condolences over the loss of your beloved wife, Sally. I hope the happy memories help comfort you on cold and dark days. Take care and know you are in our thoughts and prayers. Nancy*

Nancy Pellowe - May 26, 2022 at 03:22 PM



“ *Dear John...Gary and I extend our deepest sympathy on the loss of your dear Sally. May she now Rest In Peace.
Karen and Gary Bellisario*

Karen Bellisario - May 26, 2022 at 01:17 AM



“ *My thoughts are with You.Sandra Williams purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Sally Lattuca.*



My thoughts are with You.Sandra Williams - May 24, 2022 at 06:00 PM

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“ I was not yet graduated from college when I took an internship in the editorial group of an Ann Arbor company and met Sally. She was a single mother then, and I was little bit taken aback by her independence and her outspoken passion. She took me under her wing then and in the four+ decades since, sharing her personal writings, her passions, her ambitions, and her advice on handling life's setbacks. I saw her leave the corporate life to pursue her own path, starting her well regarded tech writing business and resuming weaving and short story writing. Writing was her way of exploring herself and her experiences, from early life in the wilds of British Columbia to single parenthood in Ann Arbor. During those years, I told her she was "youthening." She let her thick, red hair grow long and her curls go untamed. She had survived much, and I admired her. When she had long settled into her Parkinson's diagnosis, I admired her then, as well. Her outward passions and activities changed to an inward introspection -- accepting what was to be, accepting who she was as both a remarkable and also fallible human, grateful for the love of those around her -- particularly John -- and still delivering calm, matter-of-fact advice to me from her bed. I will miss my dear friend terribly.



Heather (Keeler) Kerr - May 24, 2022 at 01:38 PM