

## COSTIGAN



ROSEMARY ELIZABETH COSTIGAN "Rosie" Born in Akron, Ohio on July 8, 1960, passed away peacefully on Feb. 19, 2015 after having been diagnosed with untreatable pancreatic cancer on Feb. 3, 2015.

She was surrounded by her sisters who adored her. Rosie was a 1978 graduate of Our Lady of the Elms High School. After high school she completed her paralegal studies at Widener University in Chester, Pennsylvania; continuing to earn her BA in political science and Masters Degree in History from Cleveland State University. Rosie's 32 year career in the legal field began at the Central Intelligence Agency. From there, she worked at various law firms throughout Northeast Ohio including: Jones, Day, Reavis and Pogue, The Climaco Law Firm; Buckingham, Doolittle and Burroughs; Medina County Courts; U.S. Attorney's Office in Cleveland; and most recently Hanna, Campbell and Powell, LLP. Throughout her life Rosie gave happily and generously of her time and talent by volunteering at Red Cross bloodmobiles, teaching adults how to read through Project LEARN, delivering books to the home bound for Cuyahoga Falls Library and volunteering at Summit County Metro Parks. She was an active member and past president of NALS of Northeast Ohio, a non-profit association of legal secretaries, legal assistants, and paralegals who live and work in Northeast Ohio; and a member of St. Joseph Parish. Rosie loved to read, garden, hike, nap, travel, bake, and eat. She was a person of integrity who quietly did what was right; she had a heart of gold. Those of us who knew and loved her will never forget the sound of her laugh and her wonderful sense of humor. She is survived by her parents, Jack and Joan Costigan; sisters, Molly Costigan, Julie (Mark) Roberts, Barbara (Kevin) Sohner and Peggy (Don) Reagan. In addition, Rosie leaves behind beloved nieces and nephews, Megan Roberts-Esterling and her spouse Carter, Emily Roberts, John Sohner, Donnie Reagan, Jr., and great niece Genevieve Esterling. She was preceded in death by her sister, Joanie Costigan. Her family would like to extend their deepest gratitude to all those who cared for Rosie (and us!) in her last weeks - the nurses and doctors at Akron General Medical Center, the compassionate angels at the Justin T. Rogers Hospice Care Center, her devoted coworkers and cherished friends. We cannot forget about the devoted staff at National Church Residence on Bath Road for their care and support to Jack and Joan as we spent our time with Rosie. A Memorial Mass will be held at Saint Joseph Catholic Church, 1761 Second St, Cuyahoga Falls, OH, on SATURDAY, MARCH 21, 2015 at 10 a.m., with a reception immediately to follow at the church. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Falls Cancer Club P.O. Box 3244 Cuyahoga Falls, OH 44223. [cirielloandcarrh.com](http://cirielloandcarrh.com)

A memorial plaque made of light-colored stone tiles. The text is engraved in a dark, serif font. The tiles are arranged in a grid pattern, with the text centered on a larger, rectangular tile in the middle. The background consists of smaller, irregularly shaped tiles of the same color.

FRIENDS REMEMBER  
ROSIE COSTIGAN  
NALS OF NE OHIO