



## Panayota (Penny) Giforos

December 19, 1967 - August 18, 2016

Panayota (Penny) Giforos, 48, passed away on Thursday, August 18th, 2016, in Draper, Utah. She was born on December 19th, 1967, in Hollywood California to Niki and the late George Giforos.

She enjoyed photography, music, creative writing, and loved her cats. She graduated with an Associates Degree in Photo Journalism from Pierce College in Los Angeles, California. She received Certificates of Recognition by the Alpha Gamma Sigma Scholastic Society for Outstanding Scholarship and being placed on the Dean's list for each year she attended Pierce College in 1996 and 1997. She also received an award for First Place in a Photo Essay for Journalism in the fall of 1996. In 2008 she became Nationally Certified in Therapeutic Massage and Bodywork.

For over thirty years she suffered from debilitating depression and anxiety. She always had a great concern for others and their well being. She loved her family and sacrificed countless hours being a caretaker for her mother. Her selfless service and kindness will always be remembered.

Penny is survived by her mother, Niki Giforos, her brother Pete Giforos (Maria), her nephews Zachary, William, and Max Giforos, her brother Chris Giforos, her sister Vicki Giforos, and her Aunts, Uncles, and many cousins.

She is preceded in death by her father, George Giforos and her grandparents.

A graveside service will be held on Tuesday, August 23rd at 11am at the Pleasant Grove Cemetery (lower north/west section), 500 North Main, Pleasant Grove, Utah.

We wish to thank everyone for their love and all the help they provided to Penny in so many ways throughout the years.

Please share memories and condolences at [www.serenityfhs.com](http://www.serenityfhs.com)

# Previous Events

## Graveside Service

AUG **23**. 11:00 AM (MT)

Pleasant Grove City Cemetery  
500 N Main Street  
Pleasant Grove, UT

# Tribute Wall



“ *Panayota (Penny) Giforos*

October 05, 2023 at 07:49 PM



“ *I met Penny in Los Angeles in 2002 through mutual acquaintances. We hung out quite a bit for about 6 months, mostly going to see rock bands like The Brian Jonestown Massacre and Flash Express at clubs. She was definitely the nicest person I met in all of Los Angeles. She made me mix CDs of lots of music I'd never heard of before, let alone listened to. She had great taste in music. I moved home to Utah. She moved to Utah a year or so later. She played bass in a rock band with me. We lost touch. She holds a very special place in my heart. I will remember her always.*

**Tara Shupe** - August 25, 2016 at 06:07 PM



“ *I remeber Penny when we worked together at CSRS. She always had a warm smile and friendly disposition. Her love of music and sense of humor made me love her more. I will never forget those happier times. Rest in eternal peace, my dear friend.*

**Dean A. Batha** - August 24, 2016 at 08:13 AM

KF

“ Our walks on Fletcher Parkway in El Cajon; the night the whole family took me, Manny and the kids to that Greek place with the dancing waiters or the other one that took forever to get to from your house in Chadsworth;; the time you and Vicky created a diversion at the Omelette Factory so that we could pay them a surprise visit; your smile, your deep love for your parents and family; my mother's love for you. To her you were an αθώο πλάσμα, innocent, loving and kind. Your spiritual, nurturing and healing nature. I love you Penny Giforos. Until we meet again.

Katherine Fuchs - August 23, 2016 at 12:35 AM

TS

“ Penny although it had been many years since I had seen you, I was so happy reconnect with you and your family on Facebook. I'll never forget the memories we made as children and all the good times we had. You were always very kind to me and a very gentle soul. I'm so sorry you were struggling. May you be happy and free at last. Sending my love to the Giforos family and my deepest condolences for your tragic loss.



Tess Nikolopoulos Skudlark - August 22, 2016 at 11:54 PM

VI

“ My beautiful Penny, life will not be the same without you. You were truly an angel, one of the sweetest and kindest people I know. I will miss you terribly. Sending much love to the Giforos family.

Vicki - August 22, 2016 at 11:28 PM

LS

“ My deepest condolences to your entire family. I worked with Pennyworked at the research company, and we socialized occassionally because we had a close mutual friend. I knew Penny was shy, but did not know she struggled with depression. Knowing this, I will always be mindful that in spite of her struggle, Penny was always so very kind to everyone, and try just a little bit harder in my own life. With love, Laurence Shoobs

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**Laurence Shoobs** - August 22, 2016 at 11:26 PM

SB

“ Many years ago, we worked together at a research company. Sporadically, I'd help out in her department. We got along right away. As time went on, eventually she left the company and we got back in contact on Facebook. We weren't close enough for her to confide in me, I had no knowledge of her struggles. She was very intelligent, well informed, witty, and extremely interesting. I liked her a lot. I was impressed with her artistic talents. I hope she knew how much she was appreciated.  
To her family and close friends, I extend my sympathies for your loss. I will miss her.

*Susan Baker*

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**Susan Blum Baker** - August 22, 2016 at 10:16 PM

PR

“ My beautiful cousin Penny, I am heartbroken and will always remember your amazing smile and how our last words to each other was "I love you"!! I take comfort in knowing that we said that to each other!! I will miss you more than words can say and I hope you found the peace that you were seeking! You will always be in my heart my "little Penny"!! I love you forever!!



Thea Nicky, Vicky, Chris, Pete, Maria, and boys, my deepest and sincerest condolences to you and sending prayers that you will find peace in knowing that our beloved Penny is finally free from her burdens at at peace with all our loved ones in Heaven!! I love you all and I'm here for you always!!

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**Penny Romensas** - August 22, 2016 at 05:17 PM

MG

“ I will always remember your kind words to me and your love for my boys. I love you Penny, I wish I could have helped you.

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**Maria Giforos** - August 22, 2016 at 12:31 PM