



Marie Carol Lockbaum – July 10, 1948 – May 26, 2023

Marie was born and raised in Delaware County, PA (near Phila). She was guided throughout her life by her two Grandmothers: Jennie Hyland and Ruth Lockbaum. Even after her grandmothers passed away, she respected what they had taught her and based her decisions on those lessons (listen, learn and be fair). Marie's family was very large. Her parents, George and Marie, had nine children of which Marie was the oldest

Marie had two wonderful careers. The first - she became a Stewardess (now called Flight Attendant) for **American Airlines in 1970 and was with them for forty years**. Besides flying, she worked on many internal projects (training for emergency procedures, creating service procedures, and collaborated with a team of other flight attendants in the interior designs of two aircraft (A300 and the 777).

She worked with many fellow flight attendants on the Quality of Work Life program and while working with this group, she teamed up with her friends Ada Asher and Patti Palmer and **co-founded the charity "Wings Foundation, Inc."**. This charity raises money for seriously ill flight attendants and those who have had catastrophic incidents (hurricanes, fires, earthquakes, etc.). All of the people who have volunteered their time and energy have made this foundation enormously successful and is still going strong. Marie holds this project very dear to her heart and is very proud to have known and worked with them.

Of course, while she was flying with the airline she managed to get in some traveling. Besides her working trips, she enjoyed the opportunity to travel on her own time - Cruises to Alaska, the Baltic, the Nile, the Mediterranean, the Panama Canal, and four trans-Atlantic crossings on the QEII. Then of course going to many countries, enjoying the people, food, museums and beauty of the countryside.

Her next career was working with **Disney** for ten years. Marie first went to Disneyland in 1970 where she fell in love with all things Mouse. She went to Disney World in 1973 and knew then that she wanted to work for Disney when she retired from flying and she kept true to her word. Marie was at a Disney property every six months since her first visit and yes that did include Disneyland Paris. As with the airline, Marie met many wonderful people and learned as much as she could, always keeping what her grandmothers had taught her.

Marie always enjoyed socializing with her family, and all of the people she met along the way - great dining experiences, playing games, family picnics, holiday gatherings, dancing, museums, all kinds of foods from many of her travels, (some of which she did not like that much), laughing and telling stories.

A Celebration of Life for the entire family will be held at a later date.

In lieu of flowers please give a donation to Wings Foundation, Inc, (www.wingsfoundation.com)