



# TERI JO DUMAS

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## **TERI JO DUMAS**

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**T**eri Jo Dumas (64), passed away on March 23, 2017 after a long and courageous battle with pancreatic cancer. Originally from Missouri, she lived in Miami since the 1970's. She was lively, generous and warm; a beautiful spirit inside and out. Teri cherished her lifelong friendships, and she appreciated the many friends who were by her side offering comfort, love and support throughout her life and during her final journey.

Teri was a passionate and devoted member of the Miami-Dade Legal Support Association (MDLSA), serving six terms as its president. She loved mentoring coworkers and took great pride in teaching others how to become passionate and knowledgeable legal assistants. She was totally committed to the charitable causes that MDLSA supported, including the Safespace Thrift Store and Foundation, and countless food and toy drives for our area's less fortunate residents. She served and chaired several committees with the Florida Association of Legal Support Specialists (FALSS), and in 2002 she was presented their special "Lighting the Way for FALSS Future" award.

Teri was an active member and dedicated supporter of the Pancreatic Cancer Action Network - Miami Affiliate, raising money and awareness for their mission. She never missed an opportunity to share her pancreatic cancer experience with new members, and share hope and encouragement with others while she was celebrating her survivorship. Her friends and coworkers always rallied around her, supporting her fundraising efforts with the Purple Stride Walks and Anthony's Coal Fired Pizza charity events.

Survivors include her sisters Cinda Haggerty and Lindie Dumas; nieces Brandie Baker, Wendie Baker, Kadie Reed, and Jodie Dumas; special cousin Cherylann Buckley; and her beloved cat, Munchkin. Teri will long be remembered and loved by family members and friends who were so fortunate to be loved by her.

A Celebration of her Life will be held on April 12th, 7pm, at Van Orsdel Chapel, 11220 N. Kendall Drive, Miami (305-279-6644). Please wear something purple in a show of support for her fight



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against pancreatic cancer.

In lieu of flowers, please make a donation in her memory to the Pancreatic Cancer Action Network by visiting the following memorial page:

[http://support.pancan.org/site/TR?px=2332919&fr\\_id=1081&pg=personal](http://support.pancan.org/site/TR?px=2332919&fr_id=1081&pg=personal)



# Events

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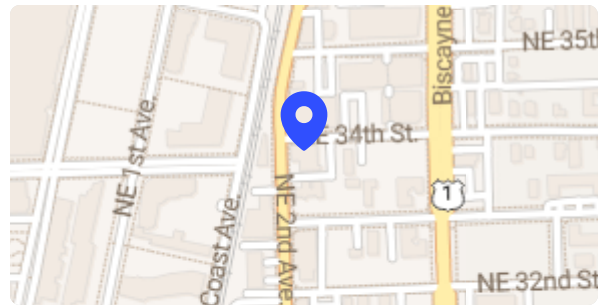
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## Cemetery Details



**Van Orsdel Crematory**

3333 NE 2nd Avenue, Miami FL 33137





# Tribute Wall

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**Camie** posted:

My cousin Teri was a beautiful person inside and out. She had a heart of gold and was a wonderful role model of strength and love. i was blessed to have Teri as a cousin and I will miss talking and visiting with her.

April 18 at 1:16 PM



**Diane Quinn** shared a photo to the **New Album Name** album.



April 13 at 5:03 AM



**Anonymous** sent an Enchanted Cottage to the DUMAS family.



April 12 at 6:27 AM



**Judy Bischdorf Saullo** posted:

I met Teri ( never called her Teri Jo) at Jennings high school. It was both of our first year attending there. We both missed our old friends and neighborhoods, so we right then and there decided we would become best friends! We were both free spirits ( hippies) so we were all about peace and love and Teri loved everything and everyone! I'll miss our talks and "catching up " conversations. Until we meet again... peace and love my seeet friend! 🙌📖❤️

April 12 at 2:09 AM



**Irene Cruz-Dominguez** lit a candle in honor of TERI.

Words cannot express the sadness i feel. i didnt even get to make you your sopita. I miss you Boonks.



April 10 at 8:32 AM



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JB

**Jodie Bug** posted:

I remember one time, i was living with my aunt Teri and i was in the first grade, it was almost easter and i had this nightmare and as soon as i woke up and sat straight up and my aunt Teri was standing there with two bunnys a yellow one and a green one and she said "Which one do you want?" I dont know how she knew the timing but i feel asleep quick with that yellow bunny ❤️. Another time she took us out and we made braclets from like seaweed, and we road on this very loud boat and aunt Teri was sitting next to me and im just screaming "aunt teri!" but she couldnt hear a thing over that boat! Then another, i had went to a funeral with her it was a good little drive and we had some one on one bonding. I will never forget any memories i have of her and i will always keep her alive in my heart and thoughts. Everyday i miss her, but i know everyday shes looking down on me with a smile.

April 9 at 4:43 PM

GD

**Gabriela Arias Duval** lit a candle in honor of TERI.

Teri Jo, my friend, my co-worker, and also my neighbor. I will miss your beautiful smile. RIP my beautiful friend. Love you

April 8 at 6:05 PM



BB

**Brandie Baker** posted:

My Aunt Teri Jo was one of the most Amazing women I know we had a very close bond & we shared so many Wonderful times & Memories together I will Cherish each & everyone!!! She had one of Biggest Hearts I've seen & she would do anything to help her family friends or a stranger although I'm not sure she ever met a stranger.. From the beginning of her Battle of pancreas cancer 4yrs ago in her remission time & all the way till she was unable to do so any longer she Fought a Long Hard Courageous Battle & she was the most positive Woman threw it all!!! I Honor & Respect her Courage & Will to Battle & Live,Love,Laugh & Cry she told me crying is good therapy.. well let's say I've had a lot of therapy then My Dear Aunt Teri jo!! I will take everything we've shared together with me everyday of my life & keep part of you alive inside of my Heart!! I LOVE YOU FOREVER AND A DAY!!!! Till we meet again one day in heaven My Dear Aunt!!!! ❤️❤️❤️❤️  
XO

April 8 at 2:27 PM



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JH

**Jan Huff** posted:

Teri Jo will be missed by so many. She was a very sweet and caring one of a kind individual. I will miss my good friend of over forty years.

April 8 at 1:38 PM

WE

**Wendie** posted:

Teri Jo is my Aunt, an I can not think of one time we spent together it wasn't a good time!!! Even though we lived states away when we had our times to visit we made the most of it. She is a truly wonderful woman, heart of gold, genuine, love to laugh kind of person. I miss her so much already.

April 1 at 1:55 AM

DT

**Debbie Tyree** posted:

Teri Jo will be greatly missed. We had some wonderful times with her. RIP Teri Jo.Until we meet again Jim and Debbie Tyree.

March 30 at 10:14 AM

JV

**Jennifer Volkmar** lit a candle in honor of TERI.

Teri Jo will be greatly missed but not forgotten. A little sweetheart with a great big smile. Rest in Peace my friend.

March 30 at 9:18 AM



JV

**Jennifer Volkmar** shared an album called **New Album Name**.

March 30 at 9:14 AM





## Media

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Diane Quinn shared a photo to the **New Album Name** album.

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Teri Jo Dumas was a superstar who always shined so bright on earth!



## Media

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Teri Jo at our FALSS Meeting in July  
2016



# Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring TERI by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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