



## Santina Joan Beckius

September 11, 1939 - October 3, 2023

**\*ZOOM LINK AT BOTTOM FOR SERVICE LIVE-STREAM\***

Santina "Sandy" J. Beckius, age 84, of Audubon, PA, passed away on Tuesday, October 3, 2023 at her home in Shannondell. Born on September 11, 1939 in Birdsboro, PA, she was a daughter of the late Pasquale and Antonia (Tizziani) Dolenti.

Sandy was a graduate of Pottstown High School, and she received her associate's degree in nursing from Montgomery County Community College. She worked as the director of nursing at Kearsley Christ Church Hospital in Philadelphia. She then went on to retire as the director of nursing from Meadowood in Worcester.

Sandy was lovingly married to Donald E. Beckius, a Captain and pilot during Vietnam in the U.S. Air Force from Nebraska, until his passing in 1994. They were stationed in several locations throughout the years, including overseas in Japan, and they traveled extensively together.

For over 20 years Sandy was an active member of the Thomas Paine Unitarian Universalist Fellowship in Collegeville, and devoted much of her time volunteering on committees and participating in events associated with the fellowship. While living at Shannondell, Sandy enjoyed making many

friends and partaking in the Current Events Discussion Group. She was an avid reader and member of several book clubs, and enjoyed socializing, talking with and being around friends. She was fond of flower arranging and the outdoors, and as a member of the Liberty Bell Wanders she loved hiking and nature, often traveling to other states for multi-day hikes. She was a lover of dogs and animals in general and had a particular fondness for Boston Terriers. For many years her walks included one of her own by her side.

She was a keen observer interested in the backgrounds, behaviors, and beliefs of others across the globe. More personally, she had a wonderful ability to remember even the smallest details of her friends and family's greatest accomplishments.

Sandy is survived by two children, Susan Beckius, wife of Dana Gullo and Matthew, husband of Valarie Beckius; two grandchildren, Maria Gullo and Evan Beckius; and one brother, Pasquale "Junior" Dolenti Jr. She was preceded in death by five siblings, Mike, Alfred, Ralph, Louie, and Leonard Dolenti.

Relatives and friends are invited to attend her funeral service at the Thomas Paine Unitarian Universalist Fellowship, 3424 Ridge Pike, Collegeville, PA 19426 on Friday, October 20, 2023 at 2:00 PM. Officiating will be Rev. Andrew Weber. Burial will be held privately at the convenience of the family. Friends will be received from 1:00 PM- 2:00 PM at the Church. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made in her name to the World Wildlife Fund ([worldwildlife.org/donate](http://worldwildlife.org/donate)), to the National Park Foundation ([nationalparks.org/donate](http://nationalparks.org/donate)), or to the ASPCA ([aspc.org/donate](http://aspc.org/donate)). Arrangements are being handled by the Campbell - Ennis - Klotzbach Funeral Home, Inc., Phoenixville, PA. Condolences may be offered online at [www.PhoenixvilleFuneralHome.com](http://www.PhoenixvilleFuneralHome.com).

Thomas Paine Unitarian Universalist Fellowship is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Memorial Service - Sandy Beckius

Time: Oct 20, 2023 01:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87504790233?pwd=a0FyMjBTRWpQZzNJbHMzNHdvR29OZz09>

Meeting ID: 875 0479 0233

Passcode: 654943

# Cemetery Details

**Private**

## Previous Events

### Visitation

OCT **20**. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Thomas Paine Unitarian Universalist Fellowship  
3424 Ridge Pike  
Collegeville, PA 19426

### Memorial Service

OCT **20**. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Campbell-Ennis-Klotzbach Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Santina Joan Beckius*



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**Campbell-Ennis-Klotzbach Funeral Home** - October 17, 2023 at 09:24 PM

LL

“ *Sandy was a dear friend. I always could count on her to speak the truth as she saw it--no frills. That's why we were such good friends. On, and having an ice cream sundae for dinner was a regular habit with us. Farewell, dear friend!*

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**Lorraine L. Lee** - October 18, 2023 at 03:16 PM

PL

“ *Sandy was my greeter when I moved to Shannondell last year. Her kindness and humor made me feel so welcome. She became a dear friend in a short time. She will be missed by her floor neighbors in Evington.*

*Pat L*

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**Patricia Lux** - October 11, 2023 at 12:50 PM

RH

“ Sandy was a kind, caring, wonderful person and my best friend. I will always cherish the memories of our bus trips, hikes, dinners and marathon conversations. I wish she could have been with us longer. My condolences to her children, daughters-in-law and grandchildren.

*Rita Heinegg*

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**Rita Heinegg** - October 11, 2023 at 11:10 AM

DN

“ I shall miss you, Sandy. How lucky was I to spend the day with you over lunch...lively conversation, much laughter and dinner....I shall cherish that memory. Sue&Dana, Matt&Valerie, Maria and Evan - I am so sorry for your loss. Your mom/grandmom was a beautiful woman; a kind, gentle person. I am privileged to have known her and call her friend.

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**Denise Maggetti Nowak** - October 09, 2023 at 09:59 AM

DN

*we worked together at Kearlsey/Christ Church Hospital*

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**Denise Maggetti Nowak** - October 09, 2023 at 10:00 AM

DN

*A donation has been made to the National Parks in Sandy's memory.*

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**Denise Maggetti Nowak** - November 07, 2023 at 01:54 AM

JG

“ Sandy was a wonderful addition to our family and I enjoyed many conversations with her at the various holiday gatherings! I specifically remember watching the dog show at Thanksgiving! I will miss her dearly❤️❤️❤️

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**Johnni Gullo-Brown** - October 08, 2023 at 08:39 AM