



## Sandra K. "Sandy" Chiaramonti-Cascagnett

February 11, 1946 - April 24, 2022

Sandy Chiaramonti Cascagnett

A little over a year ago, Sandy had wanted to start the last chapter of life, The glory days.

Sandy had planned to travel, see friends, love life and buy a home in the sun. Unfortunately a few pages into this chapter Sandy learned her life would change in a way she never expected, forever.

Just like that Sandy grappled with the news that she had terminal cancer. In true fashion she came to grips with it came up with a Plan B and re-wrote chapter 4 of her life. That sadly ended on April 24, 2022.

Sandy was born in Flint Michigan, spent most of her childhood years in Clarkston Michigan where she went to school and graduated at Clarkston High. As a young girl Sandy loved spending time and sometimes living with her favorite grandmother, Grandma Lily. Sandy never let the grass grow under her feet. Sandy loved to travel, see new places and meet new people. She planted her seeds in many places California, Chicago, Texas, and most of all her favorite place Mesick, Michigan. The place she called home, the place where she lived out most of her dreams. She loved horseback riding, her dogs, her cats, her turtles and frogs.

Sandy had many accomplishments throughout her life such as an aviation pilot, National Rifle Association Safety Instructor, Advanced Rescue Scuba Diver and much more. She was also truly an entrepreneur at heart. Starting and creating many different businesses, just for kids clothing boutique store right in Cadillac, owner and operator of a northern Michigan logging company for many years Timberwolf Forest Management, Compassionate Care Farming, and cofounder and partner of the Wheely Good Ice Cream business in White Lake Michigan, Sandy was not afraid to work!

Sandy loved and showed love to many starting with whom she loves the most, her children: Christopher L. (Sarah Benson) Wooten, Melissa R. Chiaramonti and Stacy G. (Michael) Farrel and her four grandchildren: Matthew Wooten, Michael Wooten, Bella Farrell and Finnegan Farrell. Her siblings: Martin Brown, Jackie (Ron) Weersing, Judy (Ron) Krieger and Jennifer West; and nieces and nephews.

Sandy was preceded in death by her parents: Charles & Grace (Smith) Brown; her brother, Glenn Brown and a nephew, Wesley Brown

Funeral services will be held 11:00 AM Saturday, April 30, 2022 at Peterson Funeral & Cremation Services in Cadillac with Pastor John Williams officiating. Friends may meet the family from 10:00 AM until services. An online guestbook is available at [www.petersonfh.com](http://www.petersonfh.com).

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR **30**. 10:00 AM (ET)

Peterson Funeral Home  
205 E. Cass St.  
Cadillac, MI 49601  
(231) 775-3411  
info@petersonfh.com  
<http://www.petersonfh.com>

## Funeral Service

APR **30**. 11:00 AM.

Peterson Funeral & Cremation Services

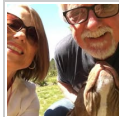
# Tribute Wall

DV

“ Sandy was a special friend of mine for many years. Our friendship started when I worked for her, cleaning, painting and almost everything else. We almost always started with a pot of coffee talking at her game table before we laughed that we should probably get busy working. We solved a lot of issues at that table but mostly I found a true friend and confidant in Sandy. She was a beautiful person inside and out and when I needed her help or advice she was always there. We recently joked about the song ‘you got a friend’ by Carole King and told her just call and I will be there. I was so glad to be able to spend our last days together and will cherish all my beautiful memories of her. I hope she knows how much I loved her and it’s not goodbye but see you later and have the coffee ready ❤️

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**Darilynn VanHorn** - April 30, 2022 at 09:36 PM



*Beautifully said. An extraordinary lovely person. She is and will be missed by everyone who knew her and was touched by her generosity and love of life.*

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**Linda Nelson** - May 19, 2022 at 07:46 AM

SC

“ I know many of you have had moments in time that you’ll never forget with Sandy... Ive had quite a few .. but mostly it was our love of frogs...from a young age I can remember trying to save frogs that crossed the street after a hard rain... she had that great pond, I could sit for hours watching and waiting for the frogs to surface and when she told me she wrangled a snake that grabbed one of her frogs and made him spit it back out..I knew she had a heart for the little guys..anyway what I really want to convey today is that she did everything to the 10th degree!!.. smart, quick witted, funny, and stubborn... I sometimes felt like a dingy trying to turn a battleship around..I recently joked with her about her name being cute “sandy brown”and she said quick as a whip..”say it again and I’ll knock you down!!” point being she was tough.. from a young age..and if she was ever hard on any of you .. quite possible she might have called you a name or two... she didn’t mean it...she never had malice in her heart only love and truly wanted the best for everyone ... so please know that she loved each and every one of you no matter who was right;) ....and never sweat the small stuff. Sara

*I cannot count the stars...  
Nor touch them  
But in the magic of the night  
I feel their calm and glory....  
See a little frog...  
Wait in statuesque stillness for a fly.....  
Tiptoe by....  
Not to disturb his waiting....  
Or... watch him make his catch....  
And feel not pity for the loser....  
But sense of triumph for the winner...  
With assurance that all is well  
In life’s vast complicated way  
In which each life must sometime meet an end  
That life shall always beautify.... The earth*

*Listen to the bird calls of springtime*

*....and feel a simple communion  
Without words  
See flowers blossoming in the summer fields  
And understand the passion  
Each one has to grow...  
And in a moment of solitude ....  
Beside a quiet pond  
Feel the merging of your soul  
With its serenity....*

*Words written by : Gwen Frostic*

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**sara curry** - April 29, 2022 at 09:18 PM

PS

“ *What a lady, right to the end. We planned on this final chapter being a lot of fun. Our retirement days were to be spent traveling to the beach when we could get together. We did make it to the beach one day this last February when we were both in Florida. We took our shoes off and put our feet in the sand, got a marguerita, and enjoyed a day in the sun and the warm breeze coming off the ocean. We will miss you Sandy!!!*



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**Pamela Schatk** - April 29, 2022 at 10:20 AM



“ *Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Sandra K. "Sandy" Chiaramonti-Cascagnett.*



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April 29, 2022 at 10:05 AM

LG

“ Louise & Pat Donahue and Dan Gilmore purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Sandra K. "Sandy" Chiaramonti-Cascagnett.



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**Louise & Pat Donahue and Dan Gilmore** - April 27, 2022 at 10:17 PM

SE

“ We are so sorry to hear of Sandy's passing. Remembering all the good times we had with the Brown Family grow-up in Davisburg.

*Mike & Sandy Eaton*

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**Sandra Eaton** - April 27, 2022 at 07:40 AM

DV

“ Darilynn Vanhorn lit a candle in memory of Sandra K. "Sandy" Chiaramonti-Cascagnett



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**Darilynn Vanhorn** - April 26, 2022 at 10:09 PM

JW

“ Jennifer West lit a candle in memory of Sandra K. "Sandy" Chiaramonti-Cascagnett



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**Jennifer West** - April 26, 2022 at 07:08 PM

JW

“ My sister was a 'free spirit'. From the early age of 7 she learned to tap dance and even currently, she could click off a few steps. In high school she learned she had a talent for painting and created an incredible oil painting of our little brother. She was a beautiful and talented woman. In Chicago, besides being a phenomenal cook for her Italian husband (and love of her life), she was an Interior Decorator, and I became dependent on her advice as I had no creativity whatsoever. She would show up at my home and answer all my questions. We would laugh as her answer to every paint problem was "use Mushroom Bisque". We loved antiques, the country and so much more. We loved wearing our matching t-shirts that said, "I'm not Sandy" "I'm not Jackie" as people used to confuse which was which. She was an awesome caregiver as my dad suffered through Alzheimer's. As I watched her give birth to her firstborn, Christopher, in California, I admired her strength and as she raised her children her perseverance and determination despite her personal challenges. Years have made us a bit cranky; we didn't always agree but love always wins. I will miss her. RIP sis.



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**Jackie Weersing** - April 25, 2022 at 09:31 PM

JW

*Beautiful memories sister. ❤️*

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**Jennifer West** - April 25, 2022 at 10:28 PM

MC

“ *Marty Curnett lit a candle in memory of Sandra K. "Sandy" Chiaramonti-Cascagnett*



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**Marty Curnett** - April 25, 2022 at 05:59 PM

MC

“ *Marty Curnett sent a virtual gift in memory of Sandra K. "Sandy" Chiaramonti-Cascagnett*



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**Marty Curnett** - April 25, 2022 at 05:58 PM