



## Laura Skorput Valenti

June 15, 1959 - December 5, 2014

Laura Skorput Valenti earned her wings on December 5, 2014 surrounded by those she loved. Her life was defined by boundless reserves of love, deep loyalty and compassion for her daughter, her family and her friends.

Laura was born on June 15, 1959, the daughter of Christine Dellea Skorput and the late Walter Skorput. In her hometown of West Stockbridge she was known, from the time she was a little girl, as "the social butterfly with an infectious smile." She was a graduate of Monument Mountain Regional High School. Laura went on to receive an Associate Degree from Green Mountain College.

She later moved to Pittsfield and worked for Bloom Business Systems for many years. She was very involved in Downtown Pittsfield and was an active member of the community.

Laura had a talent for creating beauty in the form of fashion and photography. She was a strong individual, overcoming many challenges while still living life to the fullest. Laura was enormously kind, had a beautiful soul, and was a true friend to many.

Her spirit will live on through her daughter, Danielle Valenti, sister Terry and husband Tom Finneran, sister Chris Cobb, brother Walter "Jim" Skorput, sister Jane Skorput, and her mother Chris Skorput, along with numerous nieces and nephews. Laura's father Walter Skorput predeceased her in 2011.

The family would like to express a heartfelt thank you to Laura's personal caregivers, Crescent Manor in Bennington, Vermont, Dr. Era Hanspal at

Albany Medical Center, and her Hospice nurse Cathy.

Funeral Notice:

Funeral services for Laura Valenti will be Saturday, December 13, 2014 with a Liturgy of Christian Burial at 12 noon at St. Patrick Church in West Stockbridge, celebrated by Rev. Christopher Waitekus, pastor. Burial will be at a later date. Calling hours at the Dwyer Funeral Home, 776 North St., Pittsfield MA will be Friday, December 12, 2014 from 4 to 7 p.m. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Huntington's Disease Society of America – Albany Chapter, care of the Dwyer Funeral Home, in her memory. DONATIONS CANNOT BE MADE ONLINE, but may be made through the Dwyer Funeral Home.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 12. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Dwyer Family Funeral Home  
776 North Street  
Pittsfield, MA 01201  
(413) 442-5094  
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<https://www.dwyerfuneral.com/>

# Tribute Wall

TM

“ I am so saddened to hear this news today. I haven't seen Laura in a few years but have fond memories of dinner parties and laughter. She was a beautiful soul and touched the hearts of many. My condolences goes out to her family with a special heartfelt sorrow to her beautiful daughter Danielle. My thoughts are with you today.



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**Tina McIntyre** - December 13, 2014 at 07:58 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Laura Skorput Valenti.



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December 12, 2014 at 01:21 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Laura Skorput Valenti.



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December 12, 2014 at 12:37 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Laura Skorput Valenti.*



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December 12, 2014 at 08:27 AM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Laura Skorput Valenti.*



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December 11, 2014 at 09:57 AM



“ *I was so saddened to hear of Laura's passing. She was a truly loving, beautiful and kind person. I did not know her as long or as well as others but she touched my life and I am glad to have met her. I offer my deepest sympathy and may your memories of her bring you comfort and peace. I am sure she has found her peace now and will continue to watch over all of us. God Bless.*  
*Susan Bearce*

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**Susan Bearce** - December 11, 2014 at 08:36 AM



“ *I am so sad to learn of Laura's passing. We shared so many fun times together in our younger years. Laura was so beautiful and her smile was one in a million. Rest in peace my friend. My condolences to Danielle and the family. Jackie Hunsberger*

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**Jackie Hunsberger** - December 10, 2014 at 03:40 PM

WF

“ I am so sad to read of the death of such a beautiful person. Danielle, you were the true light of her life and you always made her so proud. I am grateful to have known Laura and her spirit. God grant her peace.  
Bill Frazier

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**william Frazier** - December 09, 2014 at 04:51 PM

AT

“ In the very short time I had the pleasure of knowing Laura, I am reminded how unique we all are. Our understanding of how things are supposed to be, can be different in all our lives. How we decide to deal with the trials that are dealt to us we can create our own endings. Laura, thank you so much for helping me as a nurse, accept your decisions to be who you were. I for one, consider you an awesome woman, a beautiful, strong, and talented teacher. You will forever be in my heart. Proof of the Mom you were is to see the Strong wonderful sweet accepting daughter that I had the pleasure of meeting. I pray that your journey ends with health, love, and everything that heaven has to offer. Forever Anita Trask.

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**Anita Trask** - December 09, 2014 at 04:25 PM

MN

“ Please accept our heartfelt condolences. Laura was my student and our son's classmate.  
Carolyn NeJaime Jeffrey and Nabih and Marilyn Nejaime

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**Marilyn Nejaime** - December 09, 2014 at 11:19 AM

LS

“ 3 files added to the album New Album Name



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**Lucy Sacco** - December 08, 2014 at 09:32 AM

GB

“ I was sorry to hear about Laura's passing. She was such a fun neighbor back on Plunkett Street. May you find comfort in your memories.

*Gayle (Vuillemot) Bennett*

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**Gayle Bennett** - December 08, 2014 at 09:06 AM

DB

“ Danielle, I am from FB THE HD site. I have watched your postings and cried with you. My husband and I were just looking at this and I showed him your Moms pictures. he said "what a beautiful woman". I said I never met her, but from what I have read and seen of her in photos you can tell she was beautiful inside as well as outside. with tears in my eyes, I send you a huge hug and prayers to be said to help you on this next journey.

*Debbie Bunting*

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**Deborah bunting** - December 07, 2014 at 10:40 PM

LI

“ 5 files added to the album *Photos of Laura Valenti* by *Lisa Mears*



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**Lisa** - December 07, 2014 at 09:40 PM

MS

“ *Very sorry to learn of Laura's passing. Please accept my deepest condolences.*



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**Michael J. Sidoti** - December 07, 2014 at 08:01 PM

MC

“ *Heaven has a beautiful butterfly that flies freely. You left a beautiful daughter to encourage others. You must be so proud of her. We are.*



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**Marie Clay** - December 07, 2014 at 06:02 PM

KA

“ I was not afforded the great blessing of meeting Laura personally before her passing. However, I was fortunate enough to meet her daughter, Danielle about a month ago. Laura's life will be remembered and continually celebrated by me as my friendship with Danielle, who is a outstandingly caring and beautiful person, hopefully continues to grow stronger and stronger. I am thankful to Laura for bringing her daughter into the world....

*Dear, Laura... I hope you have found your peace. xoxo*

*Kayleigh*

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**Kayleigh** - December 07, 2014 at 05:10 PM

EH

*Kayleigh, what a beautifully written note. Thoughts and prayers to you and your family, Danielle*

*Era Hanspal*

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**Era Hanspal** - December 09, 2014 at 09:54 AM

RG

*Laura and I were inseparable for a couple of years while growing up in our home town of West Stockbridge. Even though I haven' t seen her for years, she will always be one of my best friends.*

*So caring, giving, loving and responsible even in her youth.*

*I am extremely sad, a sadness that will never leave me. A feeling of frustration for not being able to speak with her, to say goodbye.*

*My condolences to her family, especially Danielle, who I would like to meet one day.*

*Rosa Girona*

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**Rosa Girona** - December 10, 2014 at 03:41 PM