



Lisa (nee Prizzi/Hardy) Rode

November 21, 1960 - November 9, 2022

Lisa (nee Prizzi/Hardy) Rode, age 61 of Mentor, passed away unexpectedly on November 9, 2022. She was born on November 21, 1960, in Cleveland, OH to the late Ernest and Margaret (nee Pecske) Prizzi.

Lisa was a woman of many talents. Having had the voice of an angel, she sang for President Carter, her friends, family, strangers, and most importantly, she sang her daughters to sleep every night. Her love of music was shared by her siblings and together they made everlasting memories.

Lisa was also a phenomenal artist with ceramics being her preferred medium. Christmas themed ceramics were her favorite to paint and those fortunate enough to receive one of her creations will cherish it every holiday season.

Above all things, Lisa was a mother. Her daughters were her priority and there was nothing she wouldn't do to protect them. She led by example loving them fiercely, unconditionally, and without boundaries - she taught them well. She needed her girls to be okay and because of her, they will be and her legacy will live on through them.

Lisa was a doting wife to her "Sweet Michael" and it was not unusual to find little love notes written to each other around the house. They spoke to each other with patience and kindness and their love should be an example to all of

us. Together they opened up their hearts and home to family and friends. Their generosity created many happy memories for countless people. Lisa loved her grandchildren more than she could put into words, but she sure tried! She talked to everyone and anyone about her grandbabies. Although Lisa opened her pool to anyone, her grandchildren were her most valued swimmers. Time spent at Nana and Papa's pool will be treasured by them forever.

Not only did she love them through words, she taught them through action. She taught every child that even if they are thrown into the deep end, they will not sink, they will swim.

Although Lisa was tough as nails, her heart was warm and always had room for one more. She was a fierce defender of those she loved and her caring personality and her strength made her loved ones feel safe and protected. She would have walked to the ends of the earth for someone she cared about. We have all been blessed to have been loved by her!

Lisa is survived by her most adored husband, Michael Rode, whom she married on November 26, 2010; daughters, Courtney (Matt) Morris and Lindsey (Patrick) Plataz; grandchildren, Jackson, Kennedy, Parker, Dominic, Easton, Knox, and Nico; brother, Alan (Jennifer) Prizzi; sisters, Andrea (Greg Bierbaum) Quinn, and Chris (Joe) Krajnyak; and many nieces, nephews, cousins, aunts, and uncles. She was welcomed into heaven by her loving Mom and Dad.

The family will receive friends from 4-7 pm on Friday, November 18, 2022 at the Brunner Sanden Deitrick Funeral Home & Cremation Center, 8466 Mentor Ave., Mentor, OH 44060. A celebration of life service will be held at 7 pm on Friday, at the funeral home.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests donations in Lisa's memory be made to
www.ShareAVision.org/donate

Offer condolences at www.brunners.com

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 18. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Brunner Sanden Deitrick Funeral Home & Cremation Center
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Celebration of Life

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Tribute Wall

JT

“ She sang "I Honestly Love You" as a soloist to us in junior high school with the voice of a sweet angel. Years later, this memory still stands out as an unforgettable highlight of my childhood. She was amazing. She was a lovely neighbor of mine on Lakeshore, and a friend since we were kids, and I was looking forward to connecting with her again, having just found each other not long before her passing. Sadly, I won't get to. Condolences to her family and to everyone who knew and loved this angel lady, Lisa.

Jane Weitzman Teixeira - October 08, 2025 at 12:07 PM

KS

“ Allen and I were so saddened to hear about Lisa's passing. We know how much you loved her and can only imagine how much you'll miss her. We'll be thinking of you Mike and please know we are here should there be anything we can do. We are so very sorry for your loss.

Kaye and Allen Salikof

KAYE SALIKOF - November 30, 2022 at 01:41 PM

LF

“ We are so sorry for your loss, and sending our deepest condolences. Lisa was a wonderful neighbor and always so pleasant to talk too. She will be missed deeply Rest in peace my friend. God bless you all, our thoughts are with you.

Sean & Linda Fraunfelder



Linda Fraunfelder - November 21, 2022 at 09:13 PM

CC

“ Lisa was a sweet childhood friend of mine. Im sorry I didn't hear of your passing until after your Life Celebration. May you rest in peace sweet Lisa. ❤️🌸

Cynthia Cermak - November 21, 2022 at 05:57 PM

DA

“ Donna McCloud Austin lit a candle in memory of Lisa (nee Prizzi/Hardy) Rode



Donna McCloud Austin - November 19, 2022 at 10:29 AM

DA

My deepest sympathy, may you rest in peace Lisa 🙏

Donna McCloud Austin - November 19, 2022 at 10:33 AM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Lisa (nee Prizzi/Hardy) Rode.



November 17, 2022 at 10:52 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Lisa (nee Prizzi/Hardy) Rode.



November 17, 2022 at 07:20 PM



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November 17, 2022 at 04:36 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Lisa (nee Prizzi/Hardy) Rode.



November 17, 2022 at 12:27 PM



“ Mike, I am so shocked and very sorry to hear of Lisa's passing. Sending you hugs and prayers. Mary Hardy

Mary G Hardy - November 17, 2022 at 11:43 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Lisa (nee Prizzi/Hardy) Rode.



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“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Lisa (nee Prizzi/Hardy) Rode.*



November 17, 2022 at 11:38 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Lisa (nee Prizzi/Hardy) Rode.*



November 16, 2022 at 09:24 PM



“ *Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Lisa (nee Prizzi/Hardy) Rode.*



November 16, 2022 at 06:27 PM



“ *My prayers are with you and your family ❤️🙏. Sending much love and hugs!! Love you all...*

cindy frost - November 16, 2022 at 06:26 PM

RS

“ Mike, Shocking news about the passing of Lisa. You have been an amazing colleague and friend over the many, many years to us and our children. You and your family are in our thoughts and prayers.

The Sarafa's

Rose Sarafa - November 16, 2022 at 09:31 AM



“ Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of Lisa (nee Prizzi/Hardy) Rode.



November 15, 2022 at 11:40 AM



“ A sympathy card was purchased for the family of Lisa (nee Prizzi/Hardy) Rode.



November 15, 2022 at 10:47 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Lisa (nee Prizzi/Hardy) Rode.



November 15, 2022 at 10:35 AM

DC

“ Mike, Lea and I are absolutely stunned and tremendously saddened by Lisa's passing. Sure wish we'd have been able get together in October, we always enjoyed getting together with the both of you. Time is a moving thing and none of us know when our time on this earth will end, but I do know that when ours comes to pass, we'll see Lisa again in heaven. Travel well and RIP Lisa Rode, you will be missed.

Don & Lea Coburn

Don Coburn - November 15, 2022 at 10:07 AM

KC

“ Dear Mike - I was so sorry to hear this news. I remember meeting Lisa several times in the office. My thoughts are with you and your family.

Kathy C - November 15, 2022 at 09:51 AM

CR

“ So sorry Mike, our hearts go out to you and your family. I know you will cherish the moments you had.

Casey Reid - November 15, 2022 at 09:34 AM



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Lisa (nee Prizzi/Hardy) Rode.



November 15, 2022 at 08:15 AM

SM

“ Mike, This news hurt my soul. For Lisa and for you. I know you will keep her spirit alive and focus on your precious grandchildren - you have her in her in them. I remember the last time I saw her she was so full of life and light talking about them! Prayers for peace and healing for you - you are in my thoughts and prayers. Simone

Simone Mazzeo - November 15, 2022 at 07:58 AM

DG

“ I am just devastated beyond words to hear this tragic news. Few people display the kindness and generosity indicative of the Rode family. While I did not know Lisa well, Mike has been a friend for many years. He spoke lovingly of his bride. His compassion and care have been contagious and an inspiration to all of us. Sending love to the entire Rode family. May G-d bless Lisa's soul and may her smile light up the heavens. My heart is broken today. Sending blessings that only the One Above can bring ~ David Gantshar

David Gantshar - November 15, 2022 at 07:54 AM

LB

“ Oh, Mike... It is with tremendous sadness that I hear the news of the passing of your beautiful and talented wife. I had the great pleasure of meeting her in Philadelphia at the CDI President's Club Leadership Awards Ceremony. Your love was (and is) alive and contagious. You will no doubt keep that burning. May God bless you and heal your broken heart. ~Laura Burgess

Laura Burgess - November 14, 2022 at 07:39 PM

JO

“ *The death of Lisa is a big loss for everyone who knew and loved her. She was a wonderful person and friend. We are thankful that we could call Lisa our friend. You will be dearly missed.* ”



Judy Olelchiw - November 14, 2022 at 07:34 PM



“ *Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Lisa (nee Prizzi/Hardy) Rode.* ”



November 14, 2022 at 04:47 PM

MR

“ *Michael and Lorinda Ritts purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Lisa (nee Prizzi/Hardy) Rode.* ”



Michael and Lorinda Ritts - November 14, 2022 at 04:18 PM