



Jennifer (Jenni) Long Petresky

July 20, 1959 - July 11, 2025

It is with heavy hearts that we announce the sudden passing of Jennifer (Jenni) Long Petresky, on July 11, 2025. She was a loving and dedicated mother (of humans and dogs), wife, sister, aunt, daughter, and friend to so many people. Her cobalt blue eyes and kind heart made a positive impact on anyone that met her.

Jenni was born on July 20, 1959, in Akron, OH to Nancy and John Long. After spending most of her younger years as a competitive swimmer throughout the state of Ohio, she moved to Tampa, FL to finish her undergraduate degree at USF, which is where she met the love of her life, Phil Petresky. After college she worked as a social worker, being a compassionate and empathetic helping hand to many.

As a child of the 60s and 70s, and a peace-loving hippie at heart, Jenni had an amazing ability to identify any music artist, band, album, or song name from that era. She was a fantastic cook, whipping up midwestern classics to all those she welcomed into her home. Jenni and Phil opened their home many times throughout the years, being a steppingstone to get a fresh start in life to family and friends alike. Their home was a warm, loving gathering place for all.

Jenni leaves her legacy to her sons Alexander and Samuel Petresky. She also

leaves behind her brother, Jep Roberts, sisters Karen Close and Claire Foltz, and many nieces, nephews, cousins, and dear friends. She was predeceased by her parents, John Long and Nancy Roberts, brother Donnie Long, and husband Phil Petresky. We can find solace knowing that she is now in the company of the people she so dearly missed.

A Celebration of Life will be held on Saturday, July 26th, 2025, at Toale Brothers Funeral Home (40 N Orange Ave, Sarasota, FL 34236) beginning at 2pm. A reception will be held following the service.

Previous Events

A Celebration of Life

JUL **26**. 2:00 PM (ET)

Toale Brothers Funeral Home & Crematory - Colonial Chapel

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Tribute Wall

MP

“ Jenni's passing truly saddens my heart. I know that I will never ever forget her. I think of her every July 20th. We went to Sill Junior High together. Jenni was very important to me. I will shed tears for her. God bless you Jenni!



Mike Peebles - March 14 at 06:35 PM

GH

“ Geza and Rosie Henni purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Jennifer (Jenni) Long Petresky.



Geza and Rosie Henni - July 25, 2025 at 10:14 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Jennifer (Jenni) Long Petresky.



July 24, 2025 at 06:13 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Jennifer (Jenni) Long Petresky.

July 24, 2025 at 06:13 PM

KJ

“ Jenni was my first friend growing up in Cuyahoga Falls, OH. We had a wonderful crew of neighborhood friends (Donnie was part of that, too). Although we had sporadic contact over the years, we stayed connected and I loved them both. Pictured are me and Jenni on our very first day in kindergarten at Schnee School.

I am so sorry for all who loved Jenni. She was a lovely human being and is gone way too soon. 💙



Kim Johnson - July 21, 2025 at 04:51 PM

LJ

“ Love The Joyces purchased the Pure Heart for the family of Jennifer (Jenni) Long Petresky.



Love The Joyces - July 18, 2025 at 06:37 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Jennifer (Jenni) Long Petresky.



July 14, 2025 at 04:03 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Jennifer (Jenni) Long Petresky.

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“ Serenity Wreath was purchased for the family of Jennifer (Jenni) Long Petresky.



July 14, 2025 at 01:37 PM



“ Jenni was such a beautiful woman and sweet soul. We were classmates at CFHS graduating together in 1977. We were quite close in high school but went our separate ways in college and lost touch for years until being reunited through Facebook. Was saddened by the loss of her husband and her brother Donnie who she was so close with.
My thoughts and prayers to her children and families. Cherish the many memories you share and gather strength from them. She will be missed. 🙏🙏🙏

Bill Nettling - July 13, 2025 at 08:04 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Jennifer (Jenni) Long Petresky.



July 13, 2025 at 05:28 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Jennifer (Jenni) Long Petresky.

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“ Kathleen V. planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jennifer (Jenni) Long Petresky.

Kathleen V. - July 13, 2025 at 11:49 AM