



## Julie Fiori Elizabeth Neil

September 9, 1965 - June 23, 2023

Julie Fiori Elizabeth Neil, 57, peacefully passed away Friday, June 23rd, at home with her beloved family and dogs by her side . She fought a heroically brave cancer fight with grace, dignity and humor. She was born on September 9, 1965, in Springdale to Emmett Vaughn and Mary Catherine Fiori Neil.

She grew up in the tight knit Italian community of Tontitown, AR with her brother, sisters and cousins. Many hot summers were spent picking and selling grapes ,making and “sampling” wine and getting ready for the Grape Festival. She also worked from a young age cleaning tables at the Venesian Inn.

After attending University of Arkansas, Julie spent many years of her career on the road working as a Healthcare Information Technology Product and Project Manager with most of her career at IBM. She went on to complete a Masters Degree in Predictive Analytics at Northwestern University. In 2005, she came back home to Springdale, AR to be near family. In her “spare” time from her day job, she opened up her successful side business, Couture Bridal.

Julie’s passions were animals, travel and always seeking out the top new restaurants across the country. She, with her mom and sisters loved cruising the world with Alaska being the favorite destination. Her love of the Arkansas Razorbacks ran deep and she faithfully attended football, basketball and

baseball games.

Julie is preceded in death by her father, Emmet Vaughn Neil. Julie is survived by her mother, Mary Catherine Neil, of Springdale, brother Tony (Debbie) Neil of Springdale, Lisa (Phil) Dragonetti of Tampa, FL and Carla (Craig) Gourley of Bentonville. Nephews Matt Neil (Jay) of Tontitown, Casey (Amanda/Lennox) Neil of Bellla Vista, Marty Neil, Connor Neil of Springdale along with many cousins and her dog children Bentley, Rudy and Dori.

In lieu of flowers, please make a donation in Julie's name to the Best Friends Pet Resource Center in Bentonville, AR or St Jude's Children's Hospital of Memphis.

Rosary will be June 30 at 9:30am followed by funeral Mass at St Joseph's Catholic Church in Tontitown, AR. Burial will be at St. Joseph's Cemetery, Tontitown.

# Cemetery Details

## St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery

380 E. Fletcher Ave.  
Springdale, AR 72762

# Previous Events

## Rosary

JUN 30. 9:30 AM (CT)

St. Joseph Catholic Church  
136 E Henri De Tonti Blvd  
Springdale, AR 72762  
<http://www.stjoetontitown.org>

## Mass of Christian Burial

JUN 30. 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Joseph Catholic Church  
136 E Henri De Tonti Blvd  
Springdale, AR 72762  
<http://www.stjoetontitown.org>

# Tribute Wall

GP

“ I’m so sad to hear that Julie passed away. What a beautiful lady. She was a long-time supporter of Hope, Inc and Hope Cancer Resources. She did so much for others in our community. She will be missed. Praying for her family.

Gay Prescott - July 02, 2023 at 09:19 AM

VB

“ We had the most amazing group of girls at Cerner in the 90s. We weren’t just professional friends and were lucky enough to make lifelong friends.  
Truly heartbroken to have lost our “Julia”.  
We have been sharing some fun memories this week in her honor and I hope you enjoy them as much as we have. Love and prayers to you all.



Vicki Braly - June 29, 2023 at 06:38 PM

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“ Our mothers took turns taking us to Kindergarten at Salem Lutheran. One day at recess, a girl took her swing. I did not remember this. Julie told me this years later that I came up and made the little girl get out and give it back. We laughed about that alot. I do remember staying the night over at her house and it being so much fun . Julie was such a fun person to be around, talented, smart, beautiful, and always like to laugh. Every now and again, I would run into her and her mom maybe at a flea market or see her at the Grape Festival. She had many friends who loved her and I’m sure many funny stories! She will forever be missed and I will never forget her. Rest in peace my kindergarten buddy. Condolences to all of the family. ❤️

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**Sheri May** - June 28, 2023 at 10:29 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Julie Fiori Elizabeth Neil.



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June 28, 2023 at 10:02 PM

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“ *Julie was my dearest friend ever for many many Years. We roller skated together, fished Barbies off the boat at her house, explored every inch of the woods at her house and mine, created run throughs for the football team, had shaving cream fights with the Croger boys, surveyed people at The Mercantile to see if they had ever been arrested, the list of amazing memories goes on and on. I was absolutely blessed to have her in my Life growing up and to spend so many special moments with her family. My sincere condolences and Love to the Neil Family. You are in my thoughts and heart.*



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**Sheryl Pozza** - June 27, 2023 at 09:49 PM



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**Lisa Dragonetti** - June 27, 2023 at 07:57 PM

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**lisa** - June 27, 2023 at 05:14 PM

KA

“ *Julie truly is an incredible woman and business owner, over the years I was blessed to learn so much from her and her passions. I can confidently say Julie was by far one of the kindest most supportive people I've had the pleasure of working with, and helped to shape my career several year ago when I was first starting out. She will be greatly missed and I hope to speak for everyone when I say her impact on the community lives on. Sending love and light to her mother and family during this time -Kaylan R.*

**Kaylan** - June 27, 2023 at 10:39 AM

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*Thank you so much for your eloquent and loving words at this time. We appreciate it so much. Your thoughts mean so much,*

**Lisa** - June 27, 2023 at 11:13 AM