



## Diane T. Strzalka

October 9, 1965 - April 17, 2021

Diane T. Strzalka, 55, passed away in the comfort of her own home on Saturday, April 17, 2021. Diane was born in Wilmington, DE on October 9, 1965. She then went on to graduate from Mt. Pleasant High School in 1984. She was a dedicated bus driver for 24 years, spending most of those years driving for Boulden Bus Company.

Diane always treasured her time with family, especially her grandchildren. She was the most caring person, that would do anything for anyone. Many referred to Diane as “mom” or “the cool mom”. She loved her T.V. shows, going to the beach, camping, and traveling on cruises. She will be missed by all who were lucky enough to have known her.

Diane was preceded in passing by her significant other, Brian Kern; mother, Bernadette “Brandy” Strzalka; brother-in-law, Joe Leo; and two grandchildren born sleeping. Diane is survived by her daughters: Nichole Salamon (Mike), Jessica Duarte (Jon), and Jennifer Kern (Austin); 9 grandchildren: Kaci, Mikey, Presten, Collin, McKinley, Owen, Julian, Dakota, and Khloe; father, Donald Slatcher (Pat); siblings: Donna Smith (Paul), Walt Strzalka (Jill), Patti Mears (Mike), Susie Leo, and Jackie Spencer (Peter); adopted son, Sandro Vitale; adopted family: Sarah, Bob, Kaylynn, Karter, and Kolton. Also, a host of loving nieces, nephews, cousins, and aunts.

A visitation will be held Saturday, May 1, 2021, from 3:00-4:00 PM at Strano & Feeley Family Funeral Home, 635 Churchmans Rd., Newark, DE 19702 followed by a service in celebration of Diane's life at 4:00 PM. Burial will be private. For directions or to send an online condolence visit [www.stranofeeley.com](http://www.stranofeeley.com)

# Cemetery Details

**Private**

## Previous Events

### Visitation

MAY 1. 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Strano & Feeley Family Funeral Home  
635 Churchmans Rd  
Newark, DE 19702  
(302) 731-5459  
info@stranofeeley.com

### Service

MAY 1. 4:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ It's said God brings people in your life to help you through your most difficult times. Diane came into my life as my greatest friend and became my family when I needed support the most, not just Diane but her entire family treated me as if I was one of them, making the difficulties of becoming a young mother that many turned away into a happy joyous experience. I'm forever grateful, humbled, and blessed to have had her touch my life. The angel who was the first person to wrap loving arms around my 1st born. God speed my dearest friend to the arms of your mom until we meet again I Love you.

Karen - May 01, 2021 at 12:47 PM



“ Rainbow Reflections Basket was purchased for the family of Diane T. Strzalka.



April 25, 2021 at 05:33 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Diane T. Strzalka.



April 25, 2021 at 10:26 AM

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“ *Your sisters and brother purchased the Ocean Breeze Spray for the family of Diane T. Strzalka.*



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**Your sisters and brother** - April 24, 2021 at 01:07 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Diane T. Strzalka.*



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April 23, 2021 at 11:21 AM

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“ *Aunts Faith, Pam and Cindy purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Diane T. Strzalka.*



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**Aunts Faith, Pam and Cindy** - April 22, 2021 at 04:56 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Diane T. Strzalka.*



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April 22, 2021 at 02:52 PM



“ I am so grateful to have been loved by someone as amazing as you have been. You were the mother in needed, you made me feel like I was worth something, when I had lost all hope. I'll always love you! I'll always remember you. I'm so glad marcus knew the amazing woman you were, and don't worry the new babies will too. It'll just be from the awesome memories we will share with them. Sleep peacefully mom! Jessy, Marcus and I love you dearly! Till we meet again 🥰



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Leigh Pate-Woolman - April 22, 2021 at 02:26 PM