



## Phyllis Janet Rifkin

July 4, 1936 - August 8, 2022

Phyllis Janet Rifkin, 86, left her physical body and resumed her place at her husband's side on August 8, 2022. She was peaceful as she transitioned with her loving family around her.

Phyllis was born and raised in Brooklyn, NY to Arthur and Elsie Egna. She is survived by her daughters Robin, Karen and Sharon, sons-in-law Steve and Jeff, grandchildren Dylan and Jonathan, granddaughter-in-law Sarel and great-grandchildren Juliet, Alessia, Avery and Colin. She was preceded in death by her husband Gil, their son Barry and her two brothers, Herb and Larry.

Phyllis met her husband, Gil, when she was 18 years old. He was 20. After dating for only a few weeks they knew they were meant for each other, got married and moved to Germany where Gil was stationed in the Air Force. Theirs was a love affair like no other. Together happily for 67 years they held hands while sitting on the couch in the evening, talked for hours on the back porch, took long drives just to spend uninterrupted time together, vacationed frequently and enjoyed taking their family on cruises.

They regularly would say how they had no regrets and that they were grateful for leading such a blessed life.

Phyllis was completely devoted to her family. While raising her children, she worked in the health field as a medical secretary for both hospitals and private practices, keeping a flexible schedule so she could be available for her family. She ensured that there was always stability and love in the home. She was kind, trustworthy and nurturing. Strength and perseverance were two of the wonderful traits she instilled in her children, leaving them confident to pursue their goals. Phyllis was an adoring grandmother, always pampering and spoiling the grandkids. You could always hear her children saying “She’s the mother that everyone wished they had.”

Phyllis, an amazing wife, mother and grandmother always expressed gratitude for the life she led and was a blessing to all of those that she touched.

She will be loved forever, thought of always and missed dearly.

# Cemetery Details

## Cape Canaveral National Cemetery

5525 US-1  
Mims, FL 32754

# Previous Events

## Graveside Service

AUG 15. 2:30 PM (ET)

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