



## Donna Cavallini

July 24, 1952 - February 20, 2011

Donna Cavallini 1952-2011 At rest at the age of 58, surrounded by her loving family. A native San Franciscan, she is predeceased by her parents Marco & Bruna Bianchi and brother, Larry. She is survived by her loving husband of 37 years, Tino; her beloved daughters Michelle (Dennis Franco), Amanda (Michael Chester), & Christina Cavallini; her adored grandchildren Chiara & Giovanna Franco & Anthony Chester; her cherished sister Sandra Bianchi; as well as numerous nieces, nephews, cousins, & more friends than she could count. Donna enjoyed life, filled with good friends & good times. She especially enjoyed the social events at the Marche Club, playing BINGO, & playing the Slots. Family and friends are invited to the Visitation on Thursday at 4:00PM and the Vigil also on Thursday at 7:00PM, all at the chapels of Valente Marini Perata & Co., 4840 Mission St., SF. A funeral mass will be celebrated Friday at 10:30AM at St. Elizabeth Church, corners of Somerset and Wayland Sts., San Francisco. Committal to follow at the Italian Cemetery.

# Tribute Wall

AG

“ To the Cavallini family Please except our deepest condolences for the passing of Donna. She will be greatly missed. There are no words for me to say to console such a great loss but please know that you are all in our prayers.

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**Andrew & Elisa Guarducci** - March 03, 2011 at 12:00 AM

HF

“ Tino & family I was so very stunned to hear the devastating news of Donna's passing. We were out of the country when Andrew delivered the news to us, I wish I could have been here to say my final goodbye. You will all be in my prayers.  
PSALMS 16:1 Keep me safe O God for I have come to you for refuge.

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**Hugo & Sandy Franco** - March 02, 2011 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ Still stunned to hear of Donna's sudden passing. She will always be rememberd for her wit and humor, and her never-ending devotion to activities at the Marche Club. I can still see her dancing in style with Tino at our wedding. She had the stuff that made her what she was - a loving person with tons of gusto! May she rest in peace and know she'll always be watching over all of you.

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**Danilo, Lena & Gianna Sozzi** - February 27, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JL

“ Michelle,  
I offer my deepest sympathy to you and your family at this very difficult time. Please give Chiara and Giovanna a hug from me. You are all in my thoughts and prayers.  
Love, Mrs. Leehane

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**Joan Leehane** - February 27, 2011 at 12:00 AM

GB

“ Donna. It is hard for me to put into words how much I will miss you. You can't imagine the memories of the good times with you and Tino I am having. You were like a sister to me. I will always remember and love you. Goodbye Donna

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**Gary Barsetti** - February 27, 2011 at 12:00 AM

DC

“ Vi siamo vicini nell'immenso dolore che ha toccato il vostro cuore . Ricorderemo per sempre le tante risate ed i momenti felici trascorsi insieme a Donna e rimarra' sempre nei nostri pensieri e preghiere.  
Un abbraccio

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**Daniela Braccini & Mario Casaccia** - February 26, 2011 at 12:00 AM

AG

“ My sincerest sympathy to the Cavallii family from a friend from long ago.  
Angela DiGino

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**angela di gino** - February 26, 2011 at 12:00 AM

MC

“ Amanda & family: I am so sorry to hear about the loss of your mom. I will always remember her smiling face from the St. Elizabeth days. May God be with you during this time and always.

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**Melissa (Grima) Caruana** - February 24, 2011 at 12:00 AM

DM

“ My deepest sympathies to Tino and family.

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**David Marra** - February 24, 2011 at 12:00 AM

PZ

“ Donna and her cousin, Ilsa, sat at the table next to us in bingo every Wednesday. I loved to hear them bantering back and forth in their native tongue. Donna was a joy to be around and she will surely be missed by all, especially those of us who were used to seeing her every Wednesday. The place will not be the same without her. May she rest in peace and look over her loved ones.

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**Polly Zouzounis** - February 24, 2011 at 12:00 AM

CS

“ Dear Cavallini Family,  
We are so sorry for your loss. Donna was such a wonderful person and she will be very missed. We are thinking of you all and keeping you in our prayers. Love, Christopher, Jennifer, Milena and CJ

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**Christopher and Jennifer Scerri** - February 24, 2011 at 12:00 AM

BC

“ Tino,  
I was saddened to hear about your wife's passing.  
Your a good man Tino, and I hope time will heal the pain you are  
suffering.  
God bless your wife and family.  
Bill (cook at Monte Cristo  
Club)

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**Bill Cendak** - February 24, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JQ

“ Tino,Michelle,Amanda and Christina you are in my thoughts and  
prayers. I am very sorry for your loss. I will always remember Donna  
for her laughter and her sense of humor. She will be missed.

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**Jennifer Quilici** - February 24, 2011 at 12:00 AM

SL

“ Donna you will be missed-your laughter, your smile, your sense of  
humor.  
Tino, Michelle, Amanda & Christina-you are in our thoughts and  
prayers. May the memories you have help you through. Love, Steve  
& Angela

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**Steve and Angela Larraga** - February 24, 2011 at 12:00 AM

AF

“ Carissimo Tino e Famiglia, purtroppo non ci sono parole per il  
vostro dolore. Accettate le nostre piu` sentite condoglianze per la  
perdita della vostra cara.

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**Alberto Biancalana e famiglia** - February 24, 2011 at 12:00 AM

DK

“ Donna,  
You will be missed, more than you could ever imagine. It is so painful to lose such a wonderful and loving friend. You will be in our memories forever.  
Dennis and Marisa

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**Dennis & Marisa Koenig** - February 23, 2011 at 12:00 AM

CB

“ I am still in shock at the news but from far away I say good-bye to my "Don." You were a wonderful person who filled so many lives with love and laughter, including mine. You are in my thoughts and will be truly missed.  
To Tino, Michelle, Amanda, and Christina may you take the strength that Donna gave you to get through this difficult time and may your memories of her give you comfort through the years. I know that in the future she will be watching over all of you, just as she always has in the past.  
My thoughts are with you...  
Love, Carla

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**Carla Benedetti** - February 23, 2011 at 12:00 AM

CS

“ Dear Cavallini Family, We were saddened to hear the news of Donna's passing. Carmon will miss her bingo buddy and all of the laughs and good times they shared together. You are all in our prayers. Always, Charlie, Carmon, & the Scerri Family.

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**Carmon & Charlie Scerri** - February 23, 2011 at 12:00 AM

AM

“ Although I have not kept in touch through the years, I will always fondly remember her friendship and the fun times we had in our grammar and high school years. Donna could always put a smile on my face and at other times the "voice of reason" when I was faced with a problem.

*My sincere condolences to Tino and family and hope that the memories of Donna will comfort you in your sorrow.*

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**Alice Robinette McDonough** - February 23, 2011 at 12:00 AM

SF

“ Tino Cavallini, e Figlie le nostre piu sentite condoglianze da noi tutti in Famiglia e vostri amici Vince, Serenella e Vince jr

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**Sciamanna Famiglia** - February 23, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ My dear friend, you are gone too soon. I can still hear your laughter, all the times we shared having coffee when the kids were in school. Sitting at your kitchen table while you were doing the dishes. My heart is with your family, I will love you always...

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**JACKIE MORENO** - February 23, 2011 at 12:00 AM

RD

“ Donna,  
We hear your voice and see your face. You are truly one of a kind and left us with a void. Thanks for letting us share in the good times with you. We will never forget you. We love you and will truly miss you!!!!

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**Rina & Vince Dito** - February 22, 2011 at 12:00 AM

PC

“ *Tino and Family, We are very sorry for your loss. Donna was a great person. I enjoyed spending time with her at the Bingos, she always made me laugh. You are in our thoughts and prayers.*

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**Philip and Marlene Chantri** - February 22, 2011 at 12:00 AM

LB

“ *My forever friend,  
What will I do without you? We had so many good times left to share, so much trouble for you to get me into, so many truths that you would tell. We were supposed to be cranky old ladies together. I cannot imagine this new reality our families will have to deal with. The void of your passing will never be filled.*

*Until we meet again, know how much I love you.*

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**Laura Barsetti** - February 22, 2011 at 12:00 AM

CC

“ *We will forever remember Donna?s wonderful sense of humor and her boundless love for her family. She will be missed greatly. May you take comfort in knowing an angel is watching over you, may your memories give you strength, but most all of all may you know that Donna?s love and laughter will continue on in the hearts of all of us whose lives she touched.*

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**Christopher & Christiana** - February 22, 2011 at 12:00 AM



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“ my deepest sympathies are with the cavallini right now. i have so many fond memories of donna, and just cant believe she is gone. i can hear her voice, and her laughter whenever i think of all the time i spent with your family. you will be missed so much "don". all of our love...

**kelly moreno- hernandez** - February 22, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you at such a difficult time. To our dearest Donna, we will always cherish the memories. You taught us so much as young parents. Thank you for everything, for being like a second mom to us. You were always such an inspiration and your love unconditional. We will always love you!

**The Cerri Family** - February 22, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ Tino and Family, We are so very sorry for your loss. Take care of yourselves during this time. Our thoughts will be with you.

**Ken and Cindy Newman** - February 22, 2011 at 12:00 AM

LG

“ All our thoughts and prayers go out to all of you. Donna was a big part of all of our lives. She left a void that will be difficult to fill. We admired her loyalty, sense of humor and her deep love of family. It was an honor and pleasure to have her as part of our extended family.

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**Laura and Gino** - February 22, 2011 at 12:00 AM

FE

“ Dearest Donna,  
Too soon is an understatement, but as all of us know, you lived a life full of fun and laughter and we cherished every minute we spent with you. It never took much for you to get us to crack a smile and laugh hysterically. You were kind and thoughtful and always like a second mother to us ?kids?. July 24th is a special day that we have shared for almost 30 years and you will continue to always be in my heart and prayers as I blow out my birthday candles on our day. I will miss you!

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**Fabiana Escobar** - February 22, 2011 at 12:00 AM

BG

“ Dearest Tino, Michelle, Amanda & Christina & Donna's entire family...  
Saying good bye to you in the hospital on Sunday left us numb with pain. It's unbelievable that you have left us all so soon. I'm very proud to have known you for over 30 years & how our friendship grew as each year passed. Donna was a one of kind person with a heart bigger than life it's self. We're still in shock over your passing so we can only imagine the pain the entire family is going through. You will all be in our thoughts & prayers through this terrible time. Only know she is with her parents & brother & will always keep an eye on all of you.  
All our love Bruno & Gloria Galli

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**Bruno & Gloria Galli** - February 22, 2011 at 12:00 AM

NA

“ Donna, we worked together, we laughed and cried together, we did fun and stupid things together and even argued....you were just like a sister to me. Life goes on; a huge feeling of emptiness, and I hope the memories will fill it. Friends forever...

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**Nadia** - February 22, 2011 at 12:00 AM

PM

“ Dear Tino, Michelle, Amanda & Christina:  
Our hearts go out to you and your families. It is too sad to think that Donna will not be with us any longer. Her great sense of humor always kept all of us happy and her deep friendship always made us feel that no matter what, she would always be there for any of us. Your loss seems to be too great to bear at this time, hopefully in time it will get better. We have all lost a great human being. Our prayers and all our love is with all of you. May God help you in your time of sorrow.

Always,  
Marcella & Pietro

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**Pietro & Marcella** - February 22, 2011 at 12:00 AM

LG

“ It's with such profound sadness having to say good-bye too soon. I will cherish all the memories of the great times we shared. I will miss you.

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**Lisa Giuliacci** - February 21, 2011 at 12:00 AM