



Maryann Bozza

September 26, 1961 - December 28, 2017

Maryann Bozza, 56, of Newport, Oregon died on December 28, 2017 of cardiac arrest. Born in Brooklyn NY. to Richard and Connie Micillo Bozza, she earned a BS from Brooklyn College while working full time as a paraprofessional in the NYC public school system. She earned her Master's degree in Marine Biology at the University of Alaska Fairbanks in 2009 while working as a research scientist at the Alaska Sea Life Center in Seward. Following her Masters, she spent a year in Silver Spring, MD, on a prestigious John A. Knauss Marine Policy Fellowship representing Alaska Sea Grant, where she contributed to the development of NOAA's agency-wide strategic plan. In 2010 she joined the Oregon State University in the position of Program Manager at the OSU Hatfield Marine Science Center, where she led the coordination of OSU, agency and community research and academic programming at HMSC. She was also a member of OSU's Marine Studies Initiative leadership team. A tireless community advocate, Maryann served as a Trustee with the Pacific Communities Health District Foundation, a Board Member with the Oregon Coast Community College Foundation, and on an Advisory Committee for the City of Newport.

Maryann is predeceased by her mother Connie and survived by her father Richie, her five brothers, three nieces, five nephews, and her partner, Paul Tate.

Maryann left a deep hole in the world. One of the ways we can carry her memory forward is by working to make the world a better place. As Mary would remind us, 'it never costs anything to be gracious'.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to:

Lincoln County Children's Advocacy Center

Samaritan Health Services

Tribute Wall

JF

“ We are so sorry for your loss .we just found out by searching for her name .I was on another task to find some photographs negatives for my younger brother and I found some photographs of our trip to Alaska to spend some time with Mary at her house. I said to my wife Lori when was the last time you heard from Mary spent time hiking up close to glacier nearby. she was kind amazing person and friend that cherish dearly we miss her were planning on visiting her sometime, we are so sorry for your loss

Joe Baker and Lori Fitz - May 04, 2021 at 12:00 AM

JW

“ Hello~ My OSU research overlapped with Maryann occasionally. Every time I got to chat with her, I was so internally warmed. Maryann had such an authentic way of caring, and I am so grateful I got to meet her. I am sending so much warmth to anyone who is missing her deeply, and I am absolutely able to bring dinners to family members and friends in the Newport or Corvallis region. With so much tenderness, ~Julia Waters

Julia Waters - January 17, 2018 at 12:00 AM