



## Dianna Lynn Dawson

September 28, 1966 - January 4, 2022

Dianna Lynn Dawson (Denick)

Dianna Lynn Dawson (née Denick), of Grand Island, passed away on January 4, 2022 at the age of 55, surrounded by her immediate family. Tragically, Dianna experienced complications associated with surgery.

Dianna is the beloved daughter of Gwendolyn (Charles) Popovich, and the late Richard Denick, (Marcia), former wife of Ronald Dawson, the cherished sister of Laura Fields (fiancé Jarvis Carr), and the most devoted and loving mother of Cory Dawson (fiancée Bree Case), and Ivy (Sawyer) Dawson.

Dianna is also survived by two loving nephews, Devan Moultrie (Samantha Stefano), Jared Fields, great-niece Nevaeh Moultrie, many aunts, uncles, cousins and friends.

Dianna is a 1984 graduate of North Tonawanda High School and a 1988 graduate of the State University of New York at Buffalo. Dianna proudly served her country as a Sergeant in the U.S. Army Reserves. She was a dedicated Supervisor for the NYS Department of Labor, achieving retirement on 12-30-21, after completing 32 years of service. Dianna anticipated a long and fulfilling retirement, spending quality time with her children, traveling, and spreading her wings with many adventures. Dianna was an avid karaoke singer where she, and her beautiful voice shined. She enjoyed reading, her fur baby Smudge and spending time with her children, family and friends.

Let us all honor Dianna by living life to the fullest. She will be forever remembered for her selflessness, loyalty, kind spirit, and overflowing pride for

her children. She lit up the room with her smile and infectious laughter, always finding joy in celebrating others, our “Karaoke Queen, Lady Di”...

A Celebration of Life will be held on January 14th at Wattengel Funeral Home, 533 Meadow Dr. in North Tonawanda from 3-7:00 PM, service immediately following. Private committal services will be held at Acacia Park Cemetery on January 15th at 11:00 AM.

# Cemetery Details

## Acacia Park Cemetery

4215 Tonawanda Creek Rd N.  
North Tonawanda, NY

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 14. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Wattengel Funeral Home (Meadow Drive)  
533 Meadow Drive  
North Tonawanda, NY 14120  
(716) 693-0440  
wattengelfh@gmail.com  
<https://www.wattengel.com>

## Services

JAN 14. 7:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of *Dianna Lynn Dawson*.



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January 14, 2022 at 12:12 PM



“ 7 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



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**Wattengel Funeral Home** - January 13, 2022 at 05:08 PM

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“ I never had the opportunity to meet Dianna in person but over my 22 + career at the Dep't. of Labor our paths crossed a number of times. She would receive a case that was going to go a Hearing and she would review the determination I submitted and fact-finding. She was always a true professional in every sense of the word and never made me feel anything else but a colleague of equal rank. I didn't enjoy receiving a 782 but when her name was on the bottom of it, I knew I could reach out to her for direction and feedback if I needed. Rest In Peace. May the Road Rise to Meet you, may the wind Be Always At your Back, may the sun sun shine warm upon your Face, The Rain Fall soft upon your Fields, and until we meet again, May God Hold You In the Palm of His Hand.

Tom Esworthy - January 13, 2022 at 05:07 PM

K.

“ K.O. purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Dianna Lynn Dawson.



K.O. - January 12, 2022 at 09:23 PM



“ Sweet Sincerity was purchased for the family of Dianna Lynn Dawson.



January 12, 2022 at 08:09 PM



“ Had the pleasure to be her opponent on occasion at Administrative Law Judge Hearings. Always had game but very professional. She was one of those opponents that you respected and who made you better at your job cause you did not want to lose to her. This is a stunning loss to me!!!! Having a cold Genny in her honor!!!!

Timothy J. Heyden - January 12, 2022 at 04:54 PM



Thank you sincerely from her sister Laura.

Laura Fields - June 18, 2022 at 07:17 PM



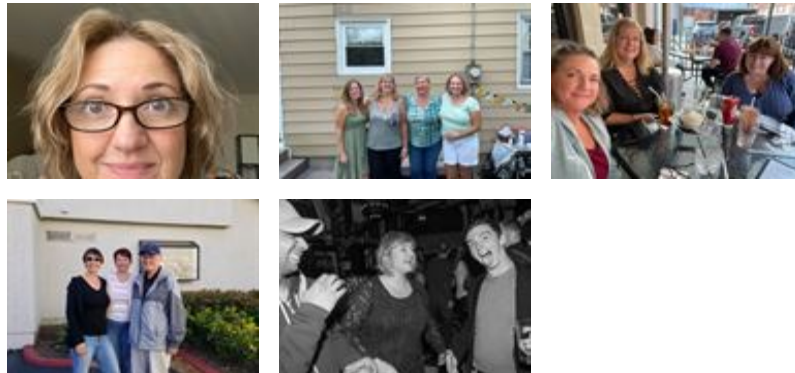
“ Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Dianna Lynn Dawson.



January 12, 2022 at 04:28 PM



“ 56 files added to the album LifeTributes



Wattengel Funeral Home - January 12, 2022 at 02:15 PM

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“ *The Case Family purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Dianna Lynn Dawson.*



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**The Case Family** - January 12, 2022 at 01:32 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Dianna Lynn Dawson.*



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January 12, 2022 at 12:39 PM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Dianna Lynn Dawson.*



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January 12, 2022 at 09:15 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Dianna Lynn Dawson.*



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January 11, 2022 at 08:33 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Dianna Lynn Dawson.*



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January 11, 2022 at 03:07 PM



“ *Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Dianna Lynn Dawson.*



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January 11, 2022 at 12:41 PM

JH

“ Worked at BUF DOL on same floor of Dianna, started in 2009. Always a very pleasant and fun person. I remember when I first started there, only there a month, and we had our annual picnic. I barely knew anyone but Dianna made me feel right at home. In fact, we were talking and she mentioned that she and a few friends were going to karaoke a little later. She took my number and texted me where it was. I showed up, waved hi to her from a distance and kind of shyly stood in the distance. She texted me and asked me to please come sit with her and her friends. I went over and then sang 2 songs. 1 was great, other was horrible. But I do remember how kind she was. Hadn't seen her much in last 5 yrs as I moved to Williamsville office, but always thought fondly of her. I was so heartbroken to hear of what happened shortly before she passed, but got a prayer chain going, said Rosarys for a miracle. Though it wasn't meant to be, I know God will comfort and give strength to family. And may Perpetual Light shine on Dianna always,... and sing to your hearts content, Dianna!!... You are an angel leading the choir for sure!!...Jim H.

James Hardy - January 10, 2022 at 11:03 PM



“ Oh Dianna we just spoke recently and you are always looking out for others- you will be so missed - rip beautiful 🙏 angel

Michelle Bama - January 10, 2022 at 07:01 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Dianna Lynn Dawson.



January 10, 2022 at 04:12 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Dianna Lynn Dawson.*



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January 10, 2022 at 02:43 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Dianna Lynn Dawson.*



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January 10, 2022 at 02:17 PM



“ *To the family of Dianna Dawson,*

*It was such a great pleasure and wonderful experience to work with Dianna. She was so informative and helpful to me whenever I sought her expertise on any matter. Her thoughtfulness will be deeply missed but her warm heart will never be forgotten. You all will remain in my prayers.*

*From Melody Brown, AHR of ASO downstate.*

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**melody brown** - January 10, 2022 at 09:55 AM



“ *Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Dianna Lynn Dawson.*



January 09, 2022 at 02:08 PM



“ *Heartfelt Memories was purchased for the family of Dianna Lynn Dawson.*



January 09, 2022 at 01:40 PM



“ *I'm so sorry for your loss. Dianna was a sweet, fun loving friend. I'm sure she's up there talking Randy into singing karaoke. Treasure the memories. Sending prayers 🙏🙏🙏*  
*Lisa Helf*

**lisa Helf** - January 09, 2022 at 09:56 AM



“ *Large Basket Garden was purchased for the family of Dianna Lynn Dawson.*



January 08, 2022 at 10:53 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Dianna Lynn Dawson.*



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January 08, 2022 at 04:17 PM



“ *I worked with Dianna during her early years at DOL. She lived her life with zest. She loved her family beyond measure and served the DOL with professionalism. Her kindness, humor, caring and love will live within us forever. You left us way too soon, but we were so fortunate to have you And our lives are better because of you. Fly high my friend.....Fly high.....*

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**jacci Reed** - January 08, 2022 at 03:28 PM



“ *Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Dianna Lynn Dawson.*



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January 08, 2022 at 11:45 AM



“ *Gone from earth, but forever in our hearts. You will be missed. My prayers and condolences to the family. Lisa P.*



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**Lisa C. Perry** - January 08, 2022 at 11:38 AM

HC

“ *My sincere condolences to the family. I worked with Dianna at the Dept of Labor. She was a great person and I'm sure will be missed by many. Holly Crowley*

Holly Crowley - January 08, 2022 at 10:31 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Dianna Lynn Dawson.*



January 08, 2022 at 08:47 AM

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“ *I wish to express my heartfelt condolences to all Dianna's family. I'm a high school friend. I now live in North Carolina. Her and I had recently reacquainted and I was looking forward to drinking many glasses of wine with her. Dianna's openness, truthfulness, and zest for life were refreshing. The world has lost a beautiful soul. I'll keep you all in my prayers. Kathy Nelson (Gabel)*

Kathy Nelson - January 08, 2022 at 08:33 AM