



Charulata Gandhi

October 30, 1933 - January 20, 2024

In Fond Memory of Charulata Gandhi
A Life Well-Lived

Charulata (Charu), a cherished resident of Centerville, VA, peacefully departed this world on January 20, 2024, surrounded by the love of her four devoted children. Born on October 30, 1933, in Vadodara, Gujarat, India, to the late Ramanlal and Mrs. Kanchan Shah, Charu's legacy is one of profound love, strength, and remarkable talent.

A true luminary in her roles as daughter, wife, and mother, Charu's multifaceted talents were awe-inspiring. Whether effortlessly riding her bike to the college where she served as a professor, teaching sociology, food, and nutrition, or choreographing dance numbers that won top prizes, she embodied a rare combination of intellect and creativity.

As the third of seven children, Charu's leadership qualities shone brightly from a young age. She met her soulmate, Rajendra Gandhi (Raju), in her pre-teen years, and their love story blossomed during annual trips to Mumbai. Married on January 21, 1959, Charu and Raju built a loving family of four children. Her professional journey led her to become the vice principal at SNDT Women's University college, marking a distinguished career in education.

Charu's indomitable spirit extended beyond her career. Actively involved in volunteer committees to help her community and her work place, she displayed strong leadership, earning the distinction of being the first silver

medalist in an all-India rifle shooting event in 1973. Throughout her life, she accumulated numerous medals in various pursuits, but her greatest source of pride was her family.

Relocating to Virginia, USA, in 1988, Charu found joy in being surrounded by her close-knit family. Despite the loss of her beloved husband in May 2020, she embraced life with resilience and discovered a newfound passion for singing in her later years. A self-reliant and independent soul, Charu maintained her strength until her last day, determined not to burden others. As we bid farewell to Charu, may her soul find eternal peace, and may the echoes of her love and care resonate forever in the hearts of her loved ones.

With heartfelt condolences,

The Gandhi Family

Previous Events

Funeral Service

JAN 28. 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Pierce Funeral Home
9609 Center St.
Manassas, VA 20110
(703) 257-6028
pfh@piercefh.com
<https://www.piercefh.com>

Tribute Wall



“ *Pierce Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Charulata Gandhi*



Pierce Funeral Home - January 24, 2024 at 12:27 PM

RB

“ *Dear Charumasi,
I will always cherish everything you taught me, every warm gesture you showered us with, every piece of wisdom I was able to absorb and every chat we had. I know you are always going to be in our hearts watching over us. Thank you. 🙏*
Rita

Rita Bhatt - January 28, 2024 at 11:43 AM

SB

“ *Charuben was a wonderful person and we have many fond memories of her. Its a loss for family and relatives. However, we will always remember and cherish her in our hearts and thoughts. God Bless all.*

Suresh & Kirti Bhatt - January 28, 2024 at 09:58 AM

FO

“ From The Chetana Organization planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Charulata Gandhi.

From The Chetana Organization - January 28, 2024 at 09:37 AM

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“ From The Chetana Organization purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Charulata Gandhi.



From The Chetana Organization - January 28, 2024 at 09:37 AM

GS

“ We can't find the words to express how sorry we are for your loss. Your mother was a legacy of kindness and love that will continue to inspire us all. Please know that we are here for you during this difficult time.

Losing a parent is an unimaginable pain. Please remember that you're not alone in your grief. Lean on the love and support of friends and family as you navigate through this difficult journey.

Our family will keep your family in our thoughts and prayers. Wishing each one of you comfort and peace during this difficult time.

What an amazing person Auntie Ji was and what a remarkable life she lived..we feel so lucky that Auntie Ji was part of our family.

Auntie Ji's memory will forever live on in our hearts, and we will cherish each & every precious moments she shared with us.

AUM Shanti Auntie Ji 🙏🙏🙏
Hemant, Gita Shah & family.

Gita Hemant Shah - January 25, 2024 at 11:51 PM

MV

Prabhu temna aatmane shanti aape 🙏

Masi was such a lovely, talented Person , she will bright up any room as soon as she enters.

Will be missed .

Om Shanti Om 🙏🙏🙏

Maya Vyas - January 28, 2024 at 10:17 AM



“ *Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Charulata Gandhi.* ”



January 25, 2024 at 01:49 PM