



Michele Soyka-Horosko

September 20, 1949 - April 13, 2026

Michele Andrea Soyka-Horosko passed away peacefully at her home, in Manassas, VA, on April 13, 2026.

Michele was born to Anne (Hudak) and John Soyka on September 20, 1949, along with her twin sister Marlene. She was raised in and around Ebensburg, PA where she developed an early interest in the arts. Michele pursued that passion by earning a BA in Art at the Indiana University of Pennsylvania where she met her future husband, Walter Horosko. Michele and Walter shared their time together in Washington, PA.

Her first love in the arts was ceramics, but a job working for Yarborough Ltd., as a silversmith, changed her career path. She continued to work in the arts by teaching art at Trinity High School and by creating jewelry for participation in arts and crafts shows. She eventually left the field of teaching to start her own business making jewelry as a silversmith/goldsmith.

Michele's success as a silversmith allowed her to travel and enjoy many parts of the United States. Her talent as an artist was recognized at many juried art shows, including those in Ann Arbor, Chicago, Cleveland, and Pittsburgh. She had won multiple awards over the years, including Best in Show, for her metal work. One of her favorite trips was as a performing artist on a riverboat excursion leaving Pittsburgh and ending in New Orleans. Michele loved

spending time with family and friends and was always excited to share her interest in all forms of art with others.

Michele was loved and is missed by her sister Marlene McCracken, brothers Michael Soyka and his wife Terri, John David Soyka, Thomas Soyka and wife Nancy, nieces Justine and husband Craig, Victoria and husband Rich, Anna, nephews Michael and wife Kelley, Jedrek and wife Kelly, John and wife Devan, James, and several grand nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her husband Walter, brother-in-law Raymond McCracken and her parents.

In lieu of flowers please consider making donations to the Alexandria Art League and the National MS Society

<https://www.theartleague.org>

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Previous Events

Visitation

APR **22**. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Epiphany of Our Lord Byzantine Catholic Church
3410 Woodburn Rd
Woodburn, VA 22003-1370
(703) 573-3986

Visitation

APR **23**. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (ET)

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Funeral Service

APR **23**. 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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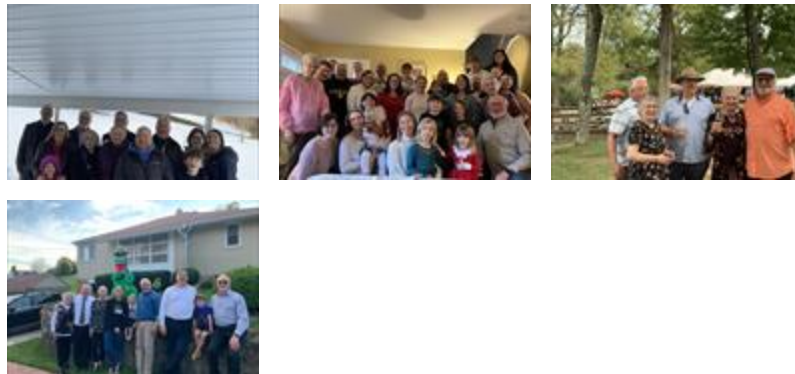
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Victoria Bartram - April 19 at 10:03 PM

JS

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Jedrek Soyka - April 19 at 09:31 PM

MK

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Mary Sue Kotula - April 19 at 08:44 PM

MS

“ 4 files added to the tribute wall



Michael Soyka - April 19 at 04:50 PM

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Thomas Soyka - April 17 at 01:22 PM

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Thomas Soyka - April 17 at 11:25 AM

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“ :Stephen, Bridget and Karen Soyka purchased the Pink Tribute Spray for the family of Michele Soyka-Horosko.



:Stephen, Bridget and Karen Soyka - April 16 at 08:44 PM