



## Debra Ann Tuzzolino

December 18, 1970 - October 29, 2025

Debra Ann Tuzzolino was born on Dec. 18, 1970 in Brooklyn, N.Y., and died peacefully on Oct. 29, 2025 in St. Petersburg, Fla. Deb or Debbie, as her friends called her, was a force of love and kindness and will be remembered always for her beautiful smile, wonderful sense of humor and lust for life. She left an indelible mark on everyone she met. She loved the New York Yankees, flowers, the beach, traveling and laughing with her many friends. Most of all, she loved her beloved wife, Amy, her pups, Georgie and Enzo, and her extended family.

Deb grew up in Brooklyn, attending St. Ephrem's School, Our Lady of Perpetual Help High School and Brooklyn College. She worked for decades for Turner Construction Company, serving as an accountant, internal auditor and Florida accounting manager. She participated in dozens of building projects during her career, including a revamp of the U.S. Patent & Trademark Office in Alexandria, Va., the construction of Blue Origin's facilities on Florida's Space Coast and a major renovation project at George M. Steinbrenner Field, home of the New York Yankees Spring Training. She was a member of Turner's Women Impacting Turner employee resource group and a fierce advocate for LGBTQ+ awareness and acceptance, serving as leader of the Orlando Chapter of Turner's Pride Alliance. She also served on the board of One Orlando Alliance, a coalition of organizations honoring the memory of those lives taken and those affected by the Pulse nightclub shooting. In 2018,

she was honored by the Orlando Business Journal as an “Outstanding Diversity Champion.”

Deb leaves behind her wife, Amy Keller; stepmother, Fran Tuzzolino; sister, Karen Duffy (John); brother, Fred Tuzzolino (Lisa); numerous and cherished aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces, nephews and in-laws. Deb was predeceased by her parents, Fred Tuzzolino and Joanne Johnson Tuzzolino.

A Memorial Service will be held on Nov. 8 at Scarpaci Funeral Home in Brooklyn, N.Y. from 2-5 pm. A Celebration of Life honoring Deb will be held from 4-7 pm on December 18, 2025 at The Poynter Institute in St. Petersburg, Fla. In lieu of flowers, the family kindly requests donations in her name to either: Hodgkin’s International or the American Heart Association.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

NOV 8. 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

Scarpaci Funeral Home Inc  
1401 86th St  
Brooklyn, NY 11228  
(718) 331-8000

## Celebration of Life

DEC 18. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

The Poynter Institute  
801 3rd St S  
St. Petersburg, FL 33701-4920  
(727) 821-9494

# Tribute Wall

TC

“ Turner Construction Company planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Debra Ann Tuzzolino.

Turner Construction Company - December 15, 2025 at 01:23 PM



“ Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Debra Ann Tuzzolino.



December 15, 2025 at 01:23 PM

RL

“ Debbie was an incredible person and most wonderful friend. From Virginia to the UK, she remained always in our hearts. Brightening every day and enriching all of us.

Rhys & Lindsey - November 17, 2025 at 03:55 AM

GM

“ Debbie was a respected leader and lovely human being! She was enthusiastic, sharp, and a go getter. I loved that she enjoyed getting to know others and for others to know what was important to her like her wife and her animals. Sending my sincere condolences to Debbie's family and a warm hug from the Turner family.

Gaby Megias - November 10, 2025 at 03:26 PM

Q-

“ My first work bestie. When she realized I already had a best friend I dubbed her my BBFF and that made her happy. I remember her love for J-Lo and how excited she was every time "Jenny From The Block" played on the radio. So I got her the CD for her birthday and she just played that song on repeat and nothing else 🤪 Your smile, jokes and friendship will be missed by everyone. Love you BBFF❤️

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Q-Bee - November 09, 2025 at 01:07 PM



“ Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of Debra Ann Tuzzolino.



November 06, 2025 at 10:52 AM

HC

“ Hank and Kelley Clifton purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Debra Ann Tuzzolino.



Hank and Kelley Clifton - November 05, 2025 at 08:36 AM

SM

“ Sorry to hear about the passing of Debbie. Praying for Amy and the family. Debbie and I worked for Turner Construction in Mid-Atlantic Region (DC-MD-VA). Debbie was so funny, always smiling, laughing, and very tidy. I remember one day my daughter was in the office, and Debbie always gave the children gum. Debbie had just organized her staples and pens inside her top drawer. Debbie told my daughter to get the gum from her top drawer; she got the gum and SLAMMED the drawer closed. Everything inside rattled and the look on Debbie’s face was hysterical! Debbie said “did she just shake everything inside after I just placed neatly” with a smile. We laughed for years. S.I.P. my friend. Sherion Murphy & Kichiri Irving

Sherion Murphy - November 04, 2025 at 10:59 AM



“ Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Debra Ann Tuzzolino.



November 03, 2025 at 06:53 PM

JC

“ John and Lena Cullinane planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Debra Ann Tuzzolino.

John and Lena Cullinane - November 03, 2025 at 06:53 PM

LZ

“ I’m so sorry to hear about Debbie. Working with her on the PAC Project at the Pentagon was a gift—she was steady, kind, and so capable. I’m thinking of her wife, family, and friends at this time. May God hold them close in these moments and may the special memories they shared with Debbie bring them comfort.  
From Lesa Zahn & Family

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**Lesa Zahn** - November 03, 2025 at 07:19 AM

KA

“ Kathy McArthur (Amy's Aunt) lit a candle in memory of Debra Tuzzolino



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**Kathy McArthur (Amy's Aunt)** - November 02, 2025 at 06:45 PM