



Lorraine Bussiere Gendreau Duebel

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Lorraine Bussiere Gendreau Deubel passed away October 31, 2021 at the age of 91. She was born in Central Falls, RI and grew up in Danielson, CT. She graduated from Putnam Catholic Academy.

As a young woman she worked at Brooklyn Savings Bank in Danielson, where she met her husband, Raymond Gendreau. They created a successful real estate business there in Northeast Connecticut where together they raised their three sons. Lorraine was a career woman long before it was the norm.

In 1967 she bought a Diners/Fugazy travel agency in Winter Park, FL. She enjoyed traveling with the business and developing a corporate clientele. The highlight of her endeavors was coordinating a group of European VIP's to Cape Kennedy for the first moon landing of Apollo 11 in 1969. She later returned to a career in real estate and enjoyed selling homes in Central Florida.

She always had a love of nature and the outdoors. As a child and later as a mother, she enjoyed spending time with her family and friends on Alexander's Lake in Dayville, CT and then later in life she enjoyed her beach house in New Smyrna, FL near her sister Trudy. She also was an accomplished painter since her high school days and kept up with it throughout her life.

Late in life, she successfully battled cancer. She lived out her remaining years in College Park, FL. She was preceded in death by her baby brother, Donald Bussiere, parents, Joseph and Angelina (Bruneau) Bussiere, brother Richard Bussiere, and granddaughter Lucie Gendreau. Lorraine is survived by her sister Gertrude Gates, her sons Raymond (Anne), Michael (Kelly), and Thomas (Annette) Gendreau and grandchildren Joseph (Kathleen), Corey (fiancée Amanda), and Henri Gendreau and great-grandchildren Maxon and Austin Gendreau.

A private family celebration of life will be held in the spring of 2022 in Connecticut.