



Sandra J. (Guarnotta) Gordon, formerly of Townsend

September 16, 1955 - February 26, 2025

LEOMINSTER: Sandra J. (Guarnotta) Gordon, 69, a former longtime Townsend resident died February 26, 2025 at UMass Memorial Health Alliance – Leominster Hospital.

Sandra was born in Boston, September 16, 1955, a daughter of the late Anthony and Judith (Whitney) Guarnotta and was a graduate of South Boston High School. Sandra had resided in Woburn before moving to Townsend in 1995 where she lived for about 20 years before finally moving to Leominster.

Sandra battled a lifelong illness of kidney disease as well as other health challenges that had increased as of late, and yet she never complained. She was diagnosed with Glomerulonephritis in 1972, which is an acute inflammation of the kidneys. She first began dialysis in April 1975. Through the years she had 3 kidney transplants (1975, 1985, and 2013). Two of the transplants were from her siblings, Mary and Donald. Her body rejected her last transplanted kidney in 2017, and she had been on dialysis since. However, Sandra's passing was brought on by respiratory/cardiac arrest.

Sandra enjoyed spending time with her family at their summer cottage along the Nissitissit River in Pepperell. This was her favorite place to spend every summer. Due to illness, she was often not able to travel far, so retreating to this quiet spot in the woods was priceless. She enjoyed cooking for everyone,

and she would make sure you never left hungry. She was an avid coffee lover, and you'd better make sure it was nice and hot. Music was a great source of inspiration to help her get through some very tough times. She also had a passion for writing, and she was great at it.

Sandra made a lot of special friends over the years in churches as well as in all of her dialysis units, and they became like family. Sandra loved God with all of her heart, and has been an active member of the Bread of Life Church in Westminster for the past 20+ years.

She is survived by her husband of 43 years, Scott D. Gordon; two sons, Andrew S. Gordon and his wife Carolyn, of Pepperell, Brett A. Gordon and his wife Carmen, of Townsend; three daughters, Andrea J. Baldassari and her husband Derek, of Webster, Amy L. Gordon of Leominster, Ashley A. Caiazzo of Ayer; her brother, Donald A. Guarnotta of S. Boston, two sisters, Deanna Cusack of S. Boston and her husband Tom, Mary Bittereri of Revere and her fiance, Bob; nine grandchildren, Landon Caiazzo, Toriana Baldassari, Jaden Gordon-Cardoos, Erianna Gordon, Elianna Arias, Jalissia Gordon, Mateo Ortiz, Anastasia Gordon, Brett A. Gordon, Jr., and many nieces and nephews.

Sandra's family will receive relatives and friends at calling hours, 4-7 PM Friday, March 7, 2025 at the Anderson Funeral Home, 250 Main Street, (Rte 119) Townsend Center. www.andersonfuneral.com.

Her funeral services will be held 10 AM Saturday, March 8, 2025 at the Bread of Life Church, 22 State Road East, Westminster. Interment will follow at Riverside Cemetery, West Townsend.

Memorial contributions may be made to New England Donor Services, 60 First Street, Waltham, MA 02451.

Previous Events

Calling Hours

MAR 7. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Anderson Funeral Home - Townsend
250 Main Street ~ Route 119
Townsend, MA 01469
(978) 597-2692

Funeral Service

MAR 8. 10:00 AM (ET)

Bread of Life Church
22 State Road East
Westminster, MA 01473

Tribute Wall

EC

“ Ellen & Brian Cunis purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Sandra J. (Guarnotta) Gordon, formerly of Townsend.



Ellen & Brian Cunis - March 07, 2025 at 01:21 PM

EC

“ Ellen & Brian Cunis planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Sandra J. (Guarnotta) Gordon, formerly of Townsend.

Ellen & Brian Cunis - March 07, 2025 at 01:21 PM

VF

“ Vernon, Faith and Family purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of Sandra J. (Guarnotta) Gordon, formerly of Townsend.



Vernon, Faith and Family - March 07, 2025 at 09:15 AM

VF

“ Vernon, Faith and Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Sandra J. (Guarnotta) Gordon, formerly of Townsend.

Vernon, Faith and Family - March 07, 2025 at 09:15 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Sandra J. (Guarnotta) Gordon, formerly of Townsend.



March 07, 2025 at 01:47 AM



“ Bread of Life Church purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Sandra J. (Guarnotta) Gordon, formerly of Townsend.



Bread of Life Church - March 06, 2025 at 09:29 PM



“ Bread of Life Church planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Sandra J. (Guarnotta) Gordon, formerly of Townsend.

Bread of Life Church - March 06, 2025 at 09:29 PM



“ Annie O., Kim and Jessica purchased the A Full Life for the family of Sandra J. (Guarnotta) Gordon, formerly of Townsend.



Annie O., Kim and Jessica - March 06, 2025 at 09:31 AM

AJ

“ Annie O., Kim and Jessica planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Sandra J. (Guarnotta) Gordon, formerly of Townsend.

Annie O., Kim and Jessica - March 06, 2025 at 09:31 AM

LF

“ Love, Chris and Lanee Doherty and Family purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Sandra J. (Guarnotta) Gordon, formerly of Townsend.



Love, Chris and Lanee Doherty and Family - March 05, 2025 at 10:07 PM

JC

“ Joyce, Freddie, Christina & Carleen purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Sandra J. (Guarnotta) Gordon, formerly of Townsend.



Joyce, Freddie, Christina & Carleen - March 05, 2025 at 08:58 PM



“ Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Sandra J. (Guarnotta) Gordon, formerly of Townsend.



March 05, 2025 at 08:23 PM

FJ

“ From Louise and Joe planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Sandra J. (Guarnotta) Gordon, formerly of Townsend.

From Louise and Joe - March 05, 2025 at 03:27 PM

FJ

“ From Louise and Joe purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Sandra J. (Guarnotta) Gordon, formerly of Townsend.



From Louise and Joe - March 05, 2025 at 03:27 PM

GF

“ Gaudette Family purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Sandra J. (Guarnotta) Gordon, formerly of Townsend.



Gaudette Family - March 05, 2025 at 12:59 PM

KS

“ Kevin and Pennie Stacy planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Sandra J. (Guarnotta) Gordon, formerly of Townsend.

Kevin and Pennie Stacy - March 05, 2025 at 12:41 PM

KS

“ Kevin and Pennie Stacy purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Sandra J. (Guarnotta) Gordon, formerly of Townsend.



Kevin and Pennie Stacy - March 05, 2025 at 12:41 PM

BM

“ Brian M. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Sandra J. (Guarnotta) Gordon, formerly of Townsend.

Brian M. - March 05, 2025 at 10:15 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Sandra J. (Guarnotta) Gordon, formerly of Townsend.

March 05, 2025 at 10:12 AM



“ Forever Our Angel Bouquet was purchased for the family of Sandra J. (Guarnotta) Gordon, formerly of Townsend.



March 05, 2025 at 10:12 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Sandra J. (Guarnotta) Gordon, formerly of Townsend.

March 04, 2025 at 04:24 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Sandra J. (Guarnotta) Gordon, formerly of Townsend.



March 04, 2025 at 04:24 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Sandra J. (Guarnotta) Gordon, formerly of Townsend.

March 03, 2025 at 04:53 PM



“ Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Sandra J. (Guarnotta) Gordon, formerly of Townsend.



March 03, 2025 at 04:53 PM

PR

“ My deepest condolences to all her family. Sandy was such a beautiful, spiritual and fun person! I enjoyed her sense of humor. One of my special memories was a day we had spent make Decorative Christmas Centerpieces for the nurses in the dialysis unit. She loved people and people loved her She will be greatly missed. Patty Ray

Patricia Ray - March 03, 2025 at 12:19 PM

FK

“ From Joey and Kathy planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Sandra J. (Guarnotta) Gordon, formerly of Townsend.

From Joey and Kathy - March 02, 2025 at 04:32 PM

FK

“ From Joey and Kathy purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Sandra J. (Guarnotta) Gordon, formerly of Townsend.



From Joey and Kathy - March 02, 2025 at 04:32 PM

MG

“ I am so very sorry to hear of the passing of Sandra. I always enjoyed warm conversations with her at Bread of Life Church over the years. You could see her love for Jesus in all she did and said. She adored her husband And children. Such great memories shared in preparation of our Easter productions held at Bread of Life, where she would painstakingly apply full body makeup up on Scott who was portraying Jesus. She was our support during those productions. I know she will be missed . Rejoicing as she is now in the arms of Jesus.

Michelle Gardner - March 02, 2025 at 02:46 PM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Sandra J. (Guarnotta) Gordon, formerly of Townsend.



March 02, 2025 at 01:45 PM

SC

“ Sending caring thoughts and comfort planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Sandra J. (Guarnotta) Gordon, formerly of Townsend.

Sending caring thoughts and comfort - March 02, 2025 at 09:03 AM

SC

“ *Sending caring thoughts and comfort purchased the Rainbow Of Remembrance Spray for the family of Sandra J. (Guarnotta) Gordon, formerly of Townsend.*



Sending caring thoughts and comfort - March 02, 2025 at 09:03 AM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Sandra J. (Guarnotta) Gordon, formerly of Townsend.*



March 01, 2025 at 07:29 PM

KT

“ *Please accept my deepest condolences on Sandra's loss. My thoughts and prayers are with Sandra and all her family and friends.*



Kathleen Flynn Toland - March 01, 2025 at 07:07 PM