



Janet Rogers

August 19, 2022

Janet Rogers passed away on August 19, 2022, at Englewood Hospital in Englewood, NJ. She was not only a loving mother, a loving sister, a loyal friend, but an icon.

Janet was born in Trinidad and Tobago, to Hermina Jack and George Lynch. She was one of the first of nine children to come to the United States at the age of 18. She then went on to meet David Sr. at the age of 19 and welcomed David Jr. at 21. Before working in education, she was pursuing a career in the fashion industry. In 1984 she purchased Sesame Sprout School, while attending Manhattan Community College at nights. Following this Janet went to the New York Institute of Technology. She then went on to marry Alex and welcomed her daughter Mariah in 1999.

For the past 38 years and counting, she led the first community-based early childhood program with an approval from the New York State Education Department. Janet was undeniably dedicated to providing services for school age children. She has impacted the community at large as well as generations of children and their families. Every day she truly embodied her vision for all Sesame Sprout Preschoolers with a focus on “Opening Young Minds to a World of Learning”.

Janet was known for her carefree attitude, overwhelming kindness, and love and appreciation for life. She had an incredible sense of style and loved fashion and art. Janet was known for her infectious laughter and positive energy, she could truly light up a room. Not to mention she was the life of the party. Most importantly, Janet was famously known for busting people’s chops and telling people like it is. Her vivacious personality will be missed and cherished.

Together we mourn the death of our beloved mother, sister, aunt, colleague, fearless leader, and friend.

Janet is survived by loving children: her son David, her daughter Mariah; sisters Valerie, Bernadette, and Debbie; brothers, Eric, Benedict, Bernard, and Anthony; nephews Kevin,

Deshawn, Zavier, Kyle; also survived by numerous cousins, nieces, nephews, and friends.

Visitation at the Barrett Leber Funeral Home, 148 Dean Dr., Tenafly, NJ on Thursday, August 25, 2022 from 4-8 PM. Funeral Mass will be held Friday, August 26, 2022 at 12 PM. Cremation Private.

To access the ZOOM for Thursday prayer service and words of remembrance here is the link:

Mariah Viman is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting. Topic: My Meeting Time: Aug 24, 2022 04:30 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada) Join Zoom Meeting <https://us05web.zoom.us/j/84577932724?pwd=ODZTNC9WRndzbGV0Y0pQcDISdUUwUT09> Meeting ID: 845 7793 2724 Passcode: PA2YfE One tap mobile
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Previous Events

Visitation

AUG **25.** 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Barrett Leber Funeral Home

148 Dean Dr

Tenafly, NJ 07670

(201) 568-8043

<https://www.barrettleberfuneralhome.com/>

Funeral Mass

AUG **26.** 12:00 PM (ET)

Mt. Carmel RC Church

10 County Rd

Tenafly, NJ 07670

Tribute Wall

VR

“ Janet

I want to thank you for the friendship and the invites to your house parties I meet thru Scott and I am very sorry I never followed thru with lunch I mentioned in the short time I knew you your zest and passion for what you do had inspired me for something greater I was stunned to see how your daughter has Grown into a beautiful young lady , the apple does not fall far from the tree RIP Janet

vern Rheem - August 26, 2022 at 11:47 AM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Janet Rogers.



August 25, 2022 at 11:03 PM

EV

“ My Dear Janet, may she rest in Eternal Peace. As a preschool special Ed administrator, I had the privilege to have gotten to know Janet and see first hand what an amazing program she ran and how dedicated she was to her school, staff and students. She was extremely professional, caring and not afraid to do the right thing and make sure her students were given a quality education. For over more than a decade, we grew to respect and learn about and from each other. She was business savvy, sassy, and classy! The love she had for her own children was undeniable and the passion for her profession unmatched. Fly high my friend, blessed to have known you and to have worked with such a charismatic, goal driven leader!

Sending love and light to her family, my sincere condolences.

Best, Elena Viglianco-Espinosa

Elena Viglianco-Espinosa - August 25, 2022 at 10:58 PM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Janet Rogers.



August 25, 2022 at 10:49 PM

GR

“ Heartfelt condolences to the family. Lost of a love ones can never be repaid but can be remembered by the happy times. Wishing happiness and togetherness to the rest of the family. From Grace and the rest of us from Trinidad our prayers will always be with you all. Beautiful words from those who were around her most. Continue remembering the happy times - From the Alexanders and Sancho family.

Grace - August 25, 2022 at 05:36 PM

GT

“ I was deeply saddened to hear of Janet’s passing. From all the comments I viewed I have no doubt that she would be greatly missed by all her family, students, friends and colleagues. I extend deepest sympathy on behalf of the Alexander and Thompson family from Trinidad and Tobago. I pray that the Lord will comfort and strengthen the family at this time. Eternal rest grant unto Janet O Lord and May perpetual light shine on her, May she Rest In Peace. Amen. I will continue to keep the family in prayer. May the peace of Christ be with you all. God bless.

Gemma Thompson - August 25, 2022 at 05:00 PM

JE

“ I was part of the sesame sprout family for a short time but , every time I’d Janet in the kitchen waiting for a microwave(just like me) to heat up our lunch. She would always engage in a convo. She was a hardworking and passionate woman . May God have her in peace !

jennifer - August 25, 2022 at 04:20 PM

AM

“ Ms Janet Rogers, im really going to miss you, thank you for all that you showed me, guided me. You were the best at what you did. Thank you for always considering me and keeping me in your mind, sesame sprout really changed my life, changed my perspective of teaching, and thats all because of how you mainted your school. I will always remember you and the way you worked with passion, you are my role model in the education. Thank you for everything.

Annie Estefany Palacios Mena - August 25, 2022 at 03:50 PM



“ *Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Janet Rogers.*



August 25, 2022 at 03:44 PM

SV

“ *Ms. Rogers thanks for giving me the opportunity and trust to join Sesame. This school feels empty without you. It is hard walking through the hallway and seeing your office with lights off, is really hard because you were always there to give us support in everything that we needed. You really will be missed at Sesame Sprout School.*

Shirley Villamar - August 25, 2022 at 02:56 PM

MA

“ *Ms Roger I am deeply sad for your death thanks so much for all the lesson learned throughout my 12 years working closely with you at Sesame Sprout. My sincere condolences to Mariah, and David, her family and friends. You will be remembered throughout my life. Rest in peace. Empowerment woman.*

Marina - August 25, 2022 at 02:46 PM



“ *Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of Janet Rogers.*



August 25, 2022 at 02:44 PM

AT

“ *As a part of Sesame Sprout's family. I feel very sorry for this sad news. Ms. Rogers would be greatly missed. She rest in peace. My condolences to her family.*

ana torrecilla - August 25, 2022 at 02:29 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Janet Rogers.*



August 25, 2022 at 12:54 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Janet Rogers.*



August 25, 2022 at 12:35 PM

PG

“ *Thank you G-d for the time of life of Ms. Rogers in this world. I have been very blessed to be a part of Sesame Sprout's family. Ms. Rogers, you would be greatly missed.*

Paula Grullon - August 25, 2022 at 10:51 AM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Janet Rogers.*



August 25, 2022 at 10:31 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Janet Rogers.*



August 25, 2022 at 10:02 AM

CC

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



catalina cadavid - August 25, 2022 at 09:28 AM



“ Your Light Shines was purchased for the family of Janet Rogers.



August 25, 2022 at 09:28 AM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Janet Rogers.



August 25, 2022 at 08:21 AM

LA

“ I had the honor of meeting Ms Rogers in February of this year. She was very welcoming to me. She had a wonderful laugh. She put me at ease right away. I was so honored when she invited me to join the Sesame Sprout School. She was a consummate professional at all times. She will be missed. Her legacy will live on in her school forever. Love and respect Leslye Allen

Leslye Allen - August 25, 2022 at 07:06 AM

SK

“ Susan and Robert Korwin purchased the Blue Caribbean Bouquet for the family of Janet Rogers.



Susan and Robert Korwin - August 25, 2022 at 06:30 AM

JH

“ From the moment I met this beautiful soul ... We bonded and remained friends.. I loved her laugh and her inner and outer beauty. My husband just passed away recently and Janet was authentically so supportive and caring . I know by fire that sudden death is so difficult for those left behind, I know that they live on in spirit and they are here with us! I am sending a heart felt deep condolences to her children and her family ❤️



JAN HART - August 24, 2022 at 11:27 PM

SR

“ I was the general education director for Sesame Sprout and I clearly remember first meeting Janet. She was bold and shared her experience, thoughts and ideas. I listened and absorbed all she had to teach. She held her children close to her heart and Sesame Sprout as well, it was her baby. She was very dear to me, I learned so much from Janet. She was beautiful, funny and truly one of a kind. I am deeply saddened by this tremendous loss. I send her children, family, friends, the staff and families at Sesame my condolences. I know she's somewhere where she can wear hats, stylish shoes, clothing and get her nails done. I love you my friend.

~Shari Krinsky Rebhun

Shari Krinsky Rebhun - August 24, 2022 at 10:41 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Janet Rogers.



August 24, 2022 at 10:32 PM

RZ

“ I am so grateful for the opportunity to work in our great school- Sesame Sprout You are a wonderful leader. You respect and value all your employees. You are open-minded and encourage diverse voices. I truly appreciate your professional guidance and generous support, Mrs. Rogers, you will be truly missed by me.
Rebecca Zhan

Rebecca Zhan - August 24, 2022 at 10:29 PM

SV

“ This is Mrs. Sonia. My condolence to the family for the lost. She was a very hardworking woman with a loving hard. She will be missed at our Sesame School.

SONIA Valerio - August 24, 2022 at 09:01 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Janet Rogers.



August 24, 2022 at 08:17 PM

NB

“ i was saddened to hear about Janet's passing. i will always remember her sense of humor, her amazing energy, kindness, and compassion towards others. My deepest condolences go out to her children and family. Rest in Peace, Janet.

Nanet Barone - August 24, 2022 at 07:25 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Janet Rogers.



August 24, 2022 at 07:02 PM

SA

“ Miss Roger's Miss Roger's what can I say about her . When she hired me in January she makes me feel comfortable the minute I sat in that chair . Her door was always open for me to talk about anything joke about anything and I never see a frown but always a smile or a laugh on her face .I always knows when she is coming I can here her foot steps .I will miss complimenting her on her hats 😊 and how her cute smile goes with it. I'm so sorry I won't be there to see you for the last time but your somewhere much better with God's angel because that's where you belong. Like I always say to you girl I'm going to say it for the last time girl I will miss you. LOVE ASHLEY 💕❤️

Suzette Ashley - August 24, 2022 at 06:49 PM

DR

“ I remember Janet’s spirit of love, kindness and inclusivity. We knew how to make the most of our time together. I will miss this very rare & authentic find of a person. God called one of His angels home, early. I will miss her dearly and I was certainly blessed to have her in my life. 🌹



Dr. Anita Roberts - August 24, 2022 at 06:34 PM



“ Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Janet Rogers.



August 24, 2022 at 06:29 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Janet Rogers.



August 24, 2022 at 06:18 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Janet Rogers.



August 24, 2022 at 06:04 PM

JG

“ I grieve the loss of Janet! Over 20 years ago I began what I thought was a short-term business consultation. That "gig" quickly became a friendship; something that many of her other friends will surely understand because once Janet embraced you, you were bonded. Janet was smart, funny, beautiful and caring. She was a force! Janet never hesitated to mince words or to roll up her sleeves to get things done. She ran a terrific program and was deeply committed to quality. She was tenacious! It is hard to come to terms with the fact she is gone, but she will live on in the hearts of all who knew her. Rest in peace dear friend and may Mariah and David and all who loved you be comforted by the memories of your laughter and generosity.

Joyce Glassman - August 24, 2022 at 06:02 PM

EV

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Elena Viglianco-Espinosa - August 24, 2022 at 06:30 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Janet Rogers.



August 24, 2022 at 05:06 PM

SK

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SUSAN KORWIN - August 24, 2022 at 04:49 PM

SK

“ I met Janet years ago by chance while walking in Saks. She was with her young daughter at the time, and she stopped to tell me that she loved my coat. We briefly spoke and that was that. Fast forward a few years later, and I was at a party in the city. I noticed a lady who looked familiar and realized it was the same stranger I met at Saks! Turns out we had mutual friends. Serendipity for sure! From then on, we were great friends.....I truly am devastated that she died so young and so suddenly. She was so fun-loving, so vivacious, such a great mom to Mariah, and a great friend. I will miss her terribly. Rest in peace dear Janet.....

SUSAN KORWIN - August 24, 2022 at 04:11 PM



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