



# Nancy E. Rooney

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**N**ANCY E. ROONEY, 68  
LAKELAND (formerly of Cornwall, NY)

Nancy E. Rooney, 68, of Lakeland Florida passed away peacefully August 15, 2014 of heart failure. Born in Englewood NJ on February 13, 1946. She moved to Cornwall with her family in 1974, working at CCHS in 1986, she was hired as the Head Swim Coach for the Swimming and Diving Team. Nancy stayed on as the Head Coach until she retired in 2008. The Cornwall Dragons won many titles during her tenure. She coached two State Champions and was chosen as Varsity Swim Coach of the Year in 1989. Nancy worked diligently with then Superintendent of Schools, Margaret A. Dames, to ensure a pool was built in the new Cornwall High School. Nancy was named in Who's Who in American Teachers in 2005. She received the NISCA Merit Award for Endless Effort and Contributions to Swimming in March 2009 along with a 25 year award for serving the Sport of Swimming at CCHS. For her service to swimming, CCHS grants to a specified swimmer the "Nancy Rooney Swimming Award" to the most valuable swimmer each year at graduation.

Nancy is survived by her loving husband, James Rooney of Lakeland, and children: Scott Rooney of Pompton Lakes, NJ and Stacy Rooney of Lakeland, FL and granddaughter, Gabriella Isabella Francis of Lakeland FL.

She was a participating member of St. Anthony Catholic Church, Lakeland Florida. We will have a Celebration of her Life at Gentry-Morrison Funeral Home at Serenity Gardens, 3350 Mall Hill Drive Lakeland FL 33810 on Thursday, August 20, 2014 from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. and a High Requiem Mass at St. Anthony Catholic Church at 10 a.m., Friday, August 21, 2014, located at 820 Marcum Road, Lakeland FL 33809.

Donations can be sent to The Nancy Rooney Scholarship Fund, 24 Idlewild Ave., Cornwall-on-Hudson, New York 12520.



# Events

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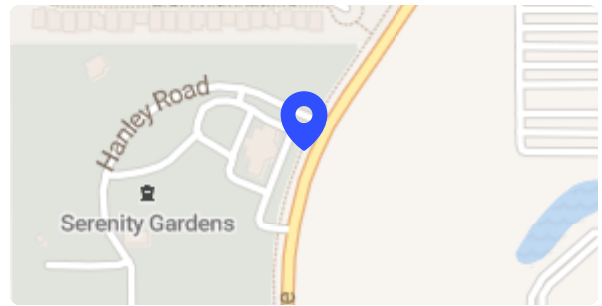
## Visitation

 **Friday**, August 15, 2014

 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM ET

 **Gentry-Morrison Funeral Homes - Serenity Gardens Chapel**

3350 Mall Hill Drive, Lakeland FL 33810





# Tribute Wall

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**Gentry-Morrison Funeral Homes** shared a **Tribute Video**.



August 23 at 6:24 AM



**Katymarie Barnosky** posted:

My husband and I are thinking baby names and the leading choice right now is Rooney. You always believed in me, chose me for coaches awards here and there and gave me confidence I was lacking. When I wanted to dive you spent more of your time traveling to the y and time watching me try to figure out how to dive without any training or instructions just get up there and see what happens. You also were the main focus of me finding the best lifelong friends I could have ever asked for - better people don't exist and you brought us all together. Thank you for sharing your life with the swimmers! We were great because of you ❤️

March 1 at 12:56 AM



**J. Bruyn** posted:

Mrs. Rooney was one of the founding members of the development of competitive swimming in Cornwall, NY. Her love of swimming and dedication to the sport is an inspiration to all swim coaches. Even after her children left the sport, Mrs. Rooney continued on to make competitive swimming an important part of our community and high school athletic experience. Best wishes to her family during this time of mourning. She will be greatly missed. Love, Christiane Pryne (Cole)

August 20 at 8:23 AM

**SR** **Stacy Rooney** August 22 at 2:16 AM  
Thank you Christiane.



**Jake, Tara And Jeannette Bruyn** sent a Peaceful White Lilies Basket to the Rooney family.



August 20 at 8:12 AM



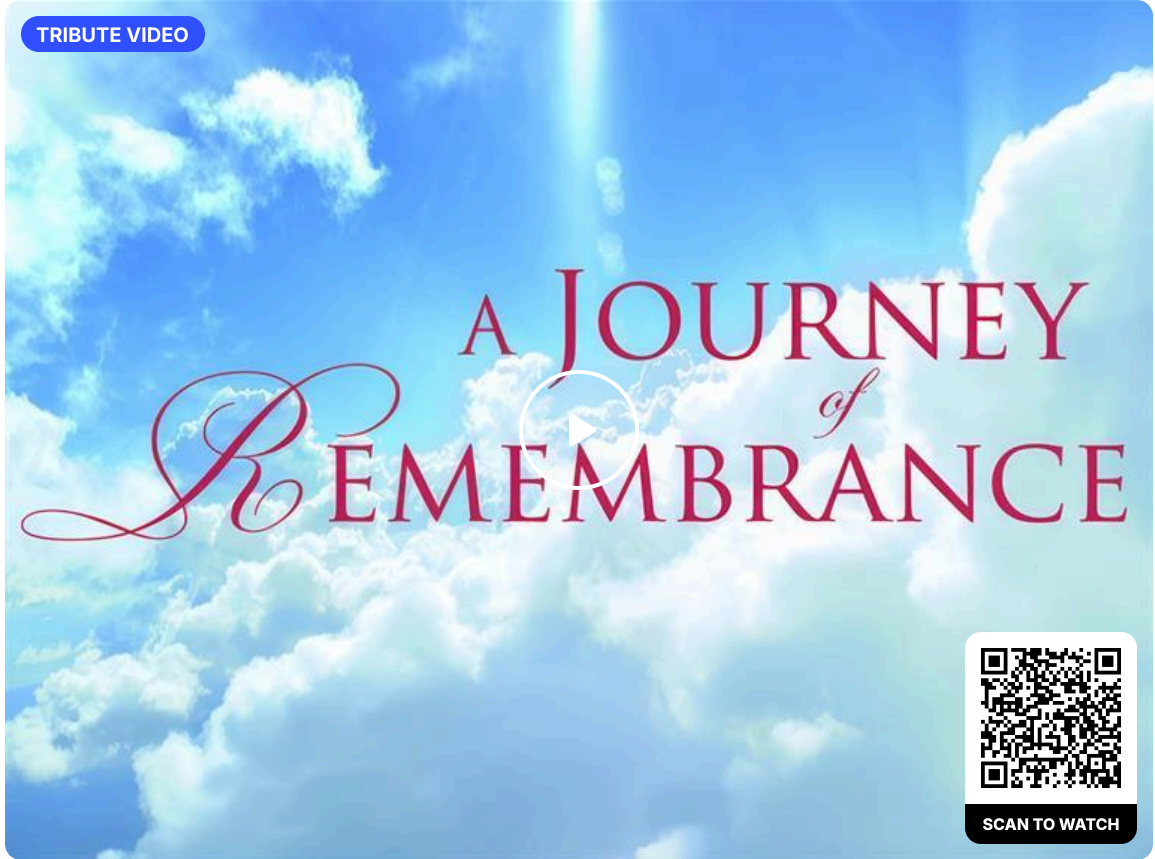
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