



Maria Elizabeth Gianino

August 2, 2021 - June 16, 2025

Maria Elizabeth Gianino, 3, passed away peacefully on June 16, 2025. The beloved daughter of Derek and Katherine (née Schryver) Gianino, Maria was born August 2, 2021, in Arlington, Virginia.

Maria attended pre-school at Stratford Landing Elementary School in Alexandria and enjoyed music, crafts, and recess with her friends and classmates. She loved long car rides and walks, pinwheels, and anything pink. Most of all, she loved being held and cuddled by family. Diagnosed with Lissencephaly at five months old, Maria was never limited by her challenges but met them with unmatched grace, courage, and persistence. She brought out the best in people, a radiant light eliciting compassion and tender care from everyone who met her. She helped open many eyes to seeing life differently through her presence and experience.

She is survived by her loving parents, Derek and Katherine, adoring brother, William; grandparents Jeff and Sherry (née Jones) Schryver of Stephens City, Virginia and Richard and Shelley (née Brown) Gianino of Grosse Pointe Michigan. Also survived by devoted uncle and aunt Jason and Ellie (née Schryver) Leonard of Inwood, West Virginia, uncle and aunt Peyton and Shannon (née) Gianino, great-uncle Mark Schryver of New York, New York, great-uncle Robert Gianino of Sarasota, Florida, and great-uncle and great-aunt Ed and Debbie (née Jones) Rosenbaum of Zion Crossroads, Virginia.

She was preceded in death by great-grandparents Larry and Mindy Schryver of Stephens City, Virginia and great-grandmother Peggy Dixon of Meadville, Pennsylvania.

Mass of Christian Burial will be held to commemorate Maria's life at St. Matthews Cathedral, 1725 Rhode Island Ave, NW, Washington, DC 20036 on Saturday, June 28, 2025, at 10:00AM. In recognition of the bright and beautiful impact she made in many lives, everyone is encouraged to wear an element of pink.

Maria's family extends their heartfelt thanks and appreciation to the dedicated and tireless medical professionals, caretakers, and friends who rendered impeccable service to Maria during her lifetime, especially Dr. John Schreiber, Beth Dougherty, the staff of the Inova Children's PICU, and the Kennedy Krieger Institute.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Maria's honor to the Kennedy Krieger Institute or Inova L.J. Murphy Children's Hospital (<https://join.inova.org/p2p/mariagianino/>).

Previous Events

Funeral Mass

JUN **28**. 10:00 AM (ET)

Cathedral of St. Matthew the Apostle
1725 Rhode Island Avenue NW
Washington, DC 20036
<https://www.stmatthewscathedral.org/>

Tribute Wall

BS

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Though little time has passed since her departure yet, the hurt of her absence remains deeply felt in my heart. I will forever cherish the memories we created.

My thoughts and heartfelt prayers remain with her beloved family. May God bless you with continued strength and surround you with His peace as you honor Maria's memory.

With deepest sympathy and enduring love,
Ms. Berhan

Berhan Sahle - June 27, 2025 at 11:11 PM

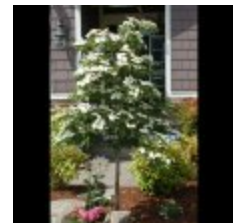


“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Maria Elizabeth Gianino.

June 27, 2025 at 07:48 AM

TT

“ *The JPMorganChase Public Affairs Team purchased the Chinese Dogwood Tree for the family of Maria Elizabeth Gianino.*



The JPMorganChase Public Affairs Team - June 26, 2025 at 05:36 PM

TT

“ The JPMorganChase Public Affairs Team planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Maria Elizabeth Gianino.

The JPMorganChase Public Affairs Team - June 26, 2025 at 05:36 PM

FT

“ From the Capital One Public Affairs Team purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Maria Elizabeth Gianino.



From the Capital One Public Affairs Team - June 26, 2025 at 04:49 PM

FT

“ From the Capital One Public Affairs Team planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Maria Elizabeth Gianino.

From the Capital One Public Affairs Team - June 26, 2025 at 04:49 PM



“ Treasured Lilies Spray was purchased for the family of Maria Elizabeth Gianino.



June 26, 2025 at 11:43 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Maria Elizabeth Gianino.

June 26, 2025 at 11:43 AM



“ Dana and Melissa purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Maria Elizabeth Gianino.



Dana and Melissa - June 25, 2025 at 07:05 PM



“ Maria's radiance was such that she touched my heart deeply even with only occasional moments with her at her preschool. It seemed her presence couldn't help evoking light all around her! And who couldn't appreciate how nothing short of artistic were her beautiful hair and outfits? Such expressions of Grace, Love and Care from home. My heart goes out, with deep condolences, to her family.

Janet Carper - June 25, 2025 at 02:23 PM

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Berhan Sahle - June 27, 2025 at 11:09 PM

PF

“ Patrick and Mary Lou Barbour and family purchased the Dreams From the Heart Bouquet for the family of Maria Elizabeth Gianino.



Patrick and Mary Lou Barbour and family - June 25, 2025 at 10:08 AM

PF

“ Patrick and Mary Lou Barbour and family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Maria Elizabeth Gianino.

Patrick and Mary Lou Barbour and family - June 25, 2025 at 10:08 AM



“ *Pink Potpourri Bouquet was purchased for the family of Maria Elizabeth Gianino.*



June 24, 2025 at 12:59 PM



“ *Love, Katherine, Helen, and Jimmy purchased the Heavenly Heights Bouquet for the family of Maria Elizabeth Gianino.*



Love, Katherine, Helen, and Jimmy - June 24, 2025 at 09:38 AM



“ *Love, Katherine, Helen, and Jimmy planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Maria Elizabeth Gianino.*

Love, Katherine, Helen, and Jimmy - June 24, 2025 at 09:38 AM



“ *Divine Light was purchased for the family of Maria Elizabeth Gianino.*



June 23, 2025 at 09:41 PM

MF

“ Melissa Schlemmer and family purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Maria Elizabeth Gianino.



Melissa Schlemmer and family - June 23, 2025 at 06:34 PM

MF

“ Melissa Schlemmer and family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Maria Elizabeth Gianino.

Melissa Schlemmer and family - June 23, 2025 at 06:34 PM



“ Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Maria Elizabeth Gianino.



June 23, 2025 at 02:45 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Maria Elizabeth Gianino.

June 23, 2025 at 02:45 PM

RH

“ Ricky and Hans purchased the Pink Tribute Spray for the family of Maria Elizabeth Gianino.



Ricky and Hans - June 23, 2025 at 01:04 PM

NG

“ Nana & Grandpa Gianino purchased the Your Light Shines for the family of Maria Elizabeth Gianino.



Nana & Grandpa Gianino - June 23, 2025 at 10:55 AM

NG

“ Nana & Grandpa Gianino planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Maria Elizabeth Gianino.

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“ Your Light Shines was purchased for the family of Maria Elizabeth Gianino.



June 23, 2025 at 10:44 AM



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June 23, 2025 at 10:44 AM



“ Rick and Shelley,

I am sorry for your loss. Maria Elizabeth she looks like she already has her angel's wings. May God bless you and your family.

Tom and S-Sue Vincent



Tom Vincnt - June 22, 2025 at 02:50 PM



“ Mrs. Berhan's family purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Maria Elizabeth Gianino.



Mrs. Berhan's family - June 21, 2025 at 05:17 PM



“ Mrs. Berhan's family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Maria Elizabeth Gianino.

Mrs. Berhan's family - June 21, 2025 at 05:17 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Maria Elizabeth Gianino.

June 20, 2025 at 07:06 PM



“ Your Rodzina Family purchased the Pink Potpourri Bouquet for the family of Maria Elizabeth Gianino.



Your Rodzina Family - June 20, 2025 at 12:18 PM



“ Bob Gianino purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Maria Elizabeth Gianino.



Bob Gianino - June 20, 2025 at 01:51 AM



“ Bob Gianino planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Maria Elizabeth Gianino.

Bob Gianino - June 20, 2025 at 01:51 AM

MT

“ *To the Gianino Family
Although Maria's physical presence has departed, her beautiful soul will eternally reside in the hearts of all who knew her. May the warmth of her memory provide comfort, peace and strength.*



Ms. Thornton

marcella thornton - June 19, 2025 at 05:35 PM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Maria Elizabeth Gianino.*

June 19, 2025 at 05:13 PM

MP

“ *Mimi and Poppy purchased the Rose Garden Heart for the family of Maria Elizabeth Gianino.*



Mimi and Poppy - June 18, 2025 at 05:54 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Maria Elizabeth Gianino.*



June 18, 2025 at 03:55 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Maria Elizabeth Gianino.

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“ Jenny Andreou purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Maria Elizabeth Gianino.



Jenny Andreou - June 18, 2025 at 02:19 PM



“ Jenny Andreou planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Maria Elizabeth Gianino.

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“ From All of us at Axor Srl purchased the Deluxe Meat & Cheese Gift Crate for the family of Maria Elizabeth Gianino.



From All of us at Axor Srl - June 18, 2025 at 12:18 PM



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