



# CHERRYLYNN GERARDO

The Virginia Court Reporters Foundation honors the life and memory of Cherrylynn Olivar Gerardo, a devoted court reporter, leader, and friend whose presence enriched both the profession and the many lives she touched.

Cherrylynn passed away on August 8, 2022, at the age of 50. Born in the Philippines, she moved to the United States at an early age and later graduated from Kellam High School in 1990. She went on to build a distinguished career as a stenographer, serving the Virginia Court System for more than 20 years. Her work reflected her professionalism, commitment to excellence, and deep respect for the judicial process.

Cherrylynn also gave generously of her time and talents through her service on the Virginia Court Reporters Association Board of Directors from 2013 to 2016. During her board tenure, she was a thoughtful and engaged leader who cared deeply about the Association and the future of the profession. She understood the importance of service, collaboration, and advocacy, and she brought those values to every discussion and decision.

Outside of her professional life, Cherrylynn was known for her vibrant spirit and love of people. She enjoyed traveling, good food, and good company, and she was often described as the life of the party. Above all, she cherished her family and found her greatest joy in being surrounded by those she loved. She will be remembered as an outgoing, adventurous, and loving woman whose warmth and energy were unmistakable.

Cherrylynn is survived by her husband of 29 years, Robert S. Gerardo, Sr.; her children, Vanessa Gerardo and Robert S. Gerardo, Jr. (Lovenia); her brothers, Richard, Eric, and Gerald Olivar; her grandchildren, Logan, Liam, and Jonathan; and many nieces and nephews.

Cherrylynn's legacy lives on through her family, her colleagues, and the countless lives she impacted through her work and service. She will be remembered with gratitude, respect, and affection by the VCRA community and beyond.



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