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In Memoriam: Marisa White

Dear Members of Our Campus Community,

I am very saddened to share with you the passing of Marisa M. White, Lecturer in the Department of Journalism and Media Studies. Professor White passed away surrounded by family on July 21, 2021 at the age of 54.

Marisa was born to the late Erminio and Grace (LoScalzo) Massimino September 29, 1966 in the Bronx, NY. She married her beloved husband Raymond White on October 3, 1992. Marisa and Ray moved to Croton on Hudson, NY where they raised their two daughters Amelia and Tessa. She worked as a Lecturer at Lehman College teaching Media Studies after being a Producer and Director for BronxNet.

Marisa won an Emmy for Best of Bronx in which she was the Producer. During her years of service at BronxNet prior to joining the faculty full-time, Marisa worked with and inspired countless student interns and colleagues and also shared her talent with The Department of Journalism and Media Studies as an adjunct faculty member. Her commitment to teaching and the Lehman community was evident long before she joined JMS and she has left a legacy of great work. Marisa achieved what she described as her dream job when she became a full-time faculty member.

She was an avid reader, loved to run and walk, sewing and Cape Cod. Marisa enjoyed a cup of tea and a good scotch.

She is survived by her husband Raymond White and daughters Amelia and Tessa White. She is also survived by her sister Dina Massimino and her brother Paul Massimino and his sons Paul Jr. and James Massimino, and by Uncle Paulie, Aunt Claudia, Gia, and Aunt Mary. A Memorial Mass will be celebrated 10AM on Thursday, July 29, 2021 at Holy Name of Mary Church, Croton-on-Hudson, NY. In lieu of flowers donations can be made in Marisa's honor to the American Cancer Society. www.cancer.org

Fond memories and expressions of sympathy may be shared at www.efcarterfuneralhome.com for the White family.

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