

Victoria Lynn Banister

Obituary

Victoria Banister, President of 1st Performance Marina located on 15th Street in Fort Lauderdale, died on June 8, 2026, after a short battle with FTD Dementia.

In June of 1988, Victoria purchased Bill's Sunrise Marina, a multi-location Jet Ski rental operation in South Florida and changed the name to 1st Performance Marina.

Over the next 38 years, together with her husband Bob Banister, they turned the 1st Performance Marina into one of the top-ranked service facilities in Fort Lauderdale, focused on multi-engine center consoles and motoryachts up to 60' in length.

From the time she started, Vicky ran the company as a family business for the benefit of her employees and was especially proud of the fact that many employees stayed with the company for ten, twenty, and even thirty years.

Born in 1954 and raised in Santa Ana, California, she was the only child of Richard and Peggy Holman. In college, she majored in business management and accounting.

Vicky had a wonderful smile and a great sense of humor. She enjoyed spending time with family and friends, traveling, pets, gardening and a special passion for jewelry design.

After visiting the Thousand Islands on the New York / Canadian border for many years, she and her husband Bob finally purchased an island home in 1998, where they pursued their passion for classic and antique boats. A member of the Antique & Classic Boat Society and a supporter of the Antique Boat Museum in Clayton, NY, she would regularly display her boats at ACBS shows around the country.

Victoria was predeceased by both her parents and will be buried on June 18th in a private service. A celebration of Life will be held at a later date this summer in the 1000 Islands.