



Ann Margaret Walsh Bourgeois

September 30, 1933 - September 2, 2023

We celebrate the life of Ann Bourgeois - wife, mother, nana ...

Born in Jamaica Plain, MA in 1933, she was the youngest of three children of Irish immigrants Michael and Mary Walsh. After high school she worked as a secretary in downtown Boston and often shared fond memories of that time.

In 1953, she met the love of her life, Bill Bourgeois, Air Traffic Controller Petty Officer Second Class, and they married in 1954 at the Blessed Sacrament Church. After Bill returned from a brief stint in Kwajalein, they spent the following decades stationed across the country and Canada. Although Ann only briefly lived in Massachusetts after they married - she never for a second lost her Boston accent.

They began a new chapter in the early 1970s, moving to New Bern, NC and later to Cary, NC. Ann was actively engaged at the New Bern - Craven County Public Library as a member of the Board of Trustees. She carried that passion to St. Andrews in Cary, volunteering in the library there for many years.

A loving nana, she was so proud of her four grandchildren. Along with Bill, she traveled all over the country and the world to spend time with them.

She is survived by her daughter Nadine and husband Stephen of New York, NY; her son Paul and wife Libby of Orlando, FL; and four beloved grandchildren: Meaghan, Susan, Katherine, and Liam; along with dear nieces, nephews, and their children.

A funeral mass will be held on Friday, October 6th at Noon at Saint Andrew the Apostle Catholic Church in Apex, NC, and live streamed at <https://youtube.com/live/AAYMyrXBSGU>.

In lieu of flowers, please make contributions in Ann's name to Transitions LifeCare Hospice House (<https://www.transitionslifecare.org/donate/>) acknowledging the team that provided such peace, comfort, and care in Ann's final days; or an organization of your choice.

Cemetery Details

St. Andrew the Apostle Catholic Church Columbarium

3008 Old Raleigh Rd
Apex, NC 27502

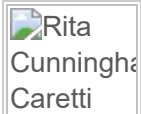
Previous Events

Funeral Mass

OCT 6. 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *My deepest condolences to Ann's family. I meet Ann and Bill when we were stationed at the US Naval Base in Argentia, Newfoundland, over 55 years ago. We became good friends, and corresponded every year since then, at Christmas time. Ann was one of the kindest and loving ladies I knew. It is by chance that I decided to search for her. I did not received a Christmas letter the last two years, so I thought I'd try to find her, I am sorrowed by my findings. May she and Bill rest in the arms of our God. Prayers for Nadine, Paul, and families. Fondly, Rita (Ken) Caretti*

Rita Cunningham Caretti - December 29, 2023 at 10:34 PM



“ *Happy Birthday in Heaven Ann!
I have known Ann for 50 yrs - she was the Godmother to my youngest son.
Ann shared so many of her Irish stories about her family - we have in common the ancestral name of Walsh and we felt sure we were long lost cousins. We both loved all things Irish from our beautiful Waterford and Belleek collections to Irish books. We sent each other very long emails and I am glad we did as I have them all - it's a wonderful memory I can always revisit.
I miss Ann very much and so glad she was part of my life. She was always a caring and spiritual friend.
As Bill would say "Very good, Agnes"*

John and Martha Wright

Martha Wright - September 30, 2023 at 06:32 AM

MB

“ We deeply love and miss our nana, always her darlings MSKL



Meaghan B - September 14, 2023 at 11:11 AM

KB

“ I'm so glad God put Ann our/my life. Those piercing blue, blue eyes said it all. She was a force to be reckoned with. Very solid in her foundation of the Catholic Faith. Her Irish wit & sharp intellect had a way all of its own.. I will miss her emails keeping me up to date on happenings in her family & the followings of her favorite priests. I went to send her an email about an article I read & realized I couldn't. I do miss her, her computer skills amazed me. She loved EWTN & especially the Divine Mercy. She always had it on. We now have someone we can pray to in Heaven in addition to all the Saints. Pray for us Ann.

Kathy Boyle

Kathy Boyle - September 12, 2023 at 11:35 AM

KQ

“ I had the pleasure of being Mrs. Ann's caretaker for about 3 months. She was my first every client and she made my experience GREAT. Such a loving, gentle, sweet woman. She introduced me to so many wonderful friends and family members. I'm thankful to have known her, I will forever cherish the memories we made.

Kierra Quick - September 06, 2023 at 01:05 PM

JE

You were the BEST, Kierra. You took such gentle, loving care of Ann, and she loved you.

Jen - September 07, 2023 at 08:05 PM

MV

“ Ann was a champion of the Divine Mercy when it was just being introduced and she told anyone who came before her about this devotion. You did not leave without getting a brochure. She will be dearly missed.

Mary Jane (Wands) Ali Vurucuoglu - September 05, 2023 at 05:58 PM

SH

“ Very very saddened by the news of my dear friend Ms. Ann. I feel so fortunate that I was able to see her, talk to her, pray with her, and hug her again before her passing. We have known her for over thirty years and it has been a joy to have her as a friend. My condolences to the entire family. Heaven has gained a great one.
Sincerely,
Alfredo and Silvia Hernández and the Elias family



Silvia Hernandez - September 05, 2023 at 02:05 PM

WH

“ Our deepest condolences to your family for "Miss Ann." She was a great friend to our grandmother and was loved deeply by every branch of the Hernandez & Lawley families. She and "Mr. Bill" were always a fixture at our sacramental celebrations and family outings.

Will Hernandez - September 04, 2023 at 09:01 PM

GD

“ Gloria Dragonette lit a candle in memory of Ann Margaret Walsh Bourgeois



Gloria Dragonette - September 03, 2023 at 10:09 AM