



Louise Amatangelo Freund

May 29, 1940 - September 22, 2025

Louise Amatangelo Freund passed away peacefully on Monday evening, September 22, 2025, at the age of 85. She was born on May 29, 1940, in North Charleroi, Pennsylvania, the daughter of the late Frank and Amelia (Genemore) Amatangelo.

Louise grew up in Donora, Pennsylvania and graduated from Donora High School in 1958. She earned a B.A. degree in 1963 from Seton Hill College, following her completion of a five-year course of study in art and elementary education. She later continued her studies at Western Connecticut State University, receiving an M.S. degree in 1975. During graduate school, she worked as a resident artist for an operatic company in Shrub Oak, New York. She taught part-time and full-time in both public and private schools in Westchester and Dutchess counties when she lived in New York. Louise considered her years of teaching as one of her life's biggest joys and her role of helping young students learn to read as particularly rewarding.

Louise's passion for teaching extended beyond the classroom, and as a devoted mother and grandmother, encouraged her family to indulge in her favorite subjects of art, literature, and music. A talented artist and pianist, she encouraged her children to play musical instruments, taught drawing lessons, and painted murals on her grandchildren's bedroom walls. She was constantly proud of her children's academic and musical achievements and most importantly, treasured her time in her later years, while living in North Carolina, with her "grands". An outgoing and dynamic conversationalist, she will be

remembered not only for her devotion to her family and students but also for her captivating and often humorous stories of her life.

She will be deeply missed by her children, Kristin (Sean) Murphy of Cary, NC and John Freund of Teaneck, NJ, and her four “grands”: Keelyn and Kyle Murphy of Cary, NC and Jesse and Emmalyn Freund of Teaneck, NJ. In addition to her parents, Louise was preceded in death by her husband, Vincent J. Freund, Jr., and her brother, John R. Amatangelo.

A eulogy will begin at 12:45 PM, followed by a funeral Mass on October 17th at 1:00 PM at Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church in Raleigh, NC. There also will be livestream available at this link: <https://www.youtube.com/@OurLadyofLourdesCCRaleigh>

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations can be made to Transitions LifeCare hospice organization (<https://www.transitionslifecare.org/donate/>) and to the American Diabetic Association (donate in memory).

Previous Events

Eulogy

OCT 17. 12:45 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church
2718 Overbrook Dr
Raleigh , NC 27608

Funeral Mass

OCT 17. 1:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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“ Louise was the first neighbor that I met after moving to Cary from Connecticut in May of 2010. We bonded over both being from “the North” and from having daughters who were close friends: Kristin and my daughter Trude. We were also “three generation” friends due to having grandchildren living here in Cary: Kristin’s Keely and Kyle and Trude’s Kali. Those connections gave me and Louise lots to talk about.

We went out to lunch, occasionally shopped together, and went for walks. Louise could out-pace me and, from my perspective, could walk forever. We both liked walking around Lochmere Lake.

However, my favorite times with Louise were at her home on weekend mornings when I would walk to her house for decaf coffee and Milano cookies.

Even after we were no longer neighbors, we could count on seeing each other over lovely Thanksgiving and Christmas dinners.

I have missed my friend and neighbor Louise.

Susan

Susan Reich - October 14, 2025 at 04:32 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Louise Amatangelo Freund.



October 13, 2025 at 04:48 AM

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“ Julia & Stefan, Dara & Chris purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Louise Amatangelo Freund.



Julia & Stefan, Dara & Chris - October 01, 2025 at 09:25 AM

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“ I have so many great memories with Louise. Most of the time when we were together it was for family events and celebrations. However, some of my favorite times were when it was just her and I. During these times she and I would talk about anything and everything! I loved to hear her talk about her college Catholic school years and how she met "Vinnie", (Kristin and John's dad). Yes, Louise was a teacher but she also loved to dance and act, she played the piano and had the best laugh. One thing Louise said over and over to me is that her greatest joy was being able to watch her children and grandchildren grow up to be the amazing people that they are today. I will miss our talks but I find comfort that she will always be a "loving angel".
My warmest regards, Nanci

Nanci Blackert - September 30, 2025 at 06:32 PM