



## Marjorie (Margie) Elizabeth Webb Best

October 10, 1945 - November 10, 2023

Marjorie “Margie” Elizabeth Webb Best died peacefully at home on November 10, 2023 from cancer. Margie was born October 10, 1945 to Dr. Herbert Fariss Webb and Mary Frances Jolly Webb in Fresno, California. Her early years were spent in Effingham, Illinois. In 1953 Margie moved to Sea Level, North Carolina where her father was the first doctor at Sea Level Community Hospital. Margie graduated from Peace College High School in 1964 and The Medical College of Virginia with a BSN in 1968. Among her places of employment, Margie was happiest to be Director of Nursing at Sailor’s Snug Harbor, Sea Level and at Glenaire Retirement Community, Cary. In 2004 Margie was named Nurse of the Year by the North Carolina Association of Non-Profit Homes for the Aged. She retired from Nursing after a 41-year career, 30 years of which were in Long-Term Care, in 2009. In 1989 Margie and her husband Dr. James Ted Best moved from Cedar Island to Apex. They became members of St. Paul’s Episcopal Church, Cary. Margie remained an active member at St. Paul’s, leading the “Care and Share” ministry for many years. Margie thanks the members of St. Paul’s for being her church family.

Margie considers her greatest life accomplishment and joy to be her caring, lovely, fun, independent daughters! She is survived by Charlotte Elizabeth Holliday of Wilmington and Stephanie Ellen Best of Belmont. Margie is also survived by her very special grandson, Spencer Lee Holliday. Other survivors are her dear sister, Ellen Webb Rose and husband Ron of Apex; nephews David Rose (Jennifer) and children Katelyn and Ryan; nephew Benjamin Rose (Deborah) and children Victoria and Brook; sister-in-law Ruth Jarman Webb and niece Olivia Houston Lee (Tyler); Ted’s daughter, Tracy Best-Wolf; and cousins Cathy Jolly McGuyer, Harriett Jolly Sowinski, Dick Webb and Billy Webb.

Margie is preceded in death by her husband Ted in 1997; her very special “Bro” Charles Houston Webb in 2012, who also died on November 10; her godson Stephen Copeland Smith; and her cousin Katherine Ann Webb Campbell.

A Memorial Service will be held at St. Paul’s Episcopal Church, 221 Union Street, Cary, North Carolina on Wednesday, November 15 at 1:00 with interment of ashes in the Memorial Garden, reception following the service. Memorial Donations may be made to Marjorie Webb Best Nursing Scholarship at Glenaire, 4000 Glenaire Circle, Cary, NC 27511; The Mission and Ministry of St. Paul’s Episcopal Church, 221 Union Street, Cary,

NC 27511; Autism Society of NC, 5121 Kingdom Way, # 100, Raleigh, NC 27607; or Core Sound Waterfowl Museum & Heritage Center, PO Box 556, Harkers Island, NC 28531.

Margie and her family want to extend their deepest gratitude to the many Glenaire staff who offered to care for her in her final days.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

NOV 15. 1:00 PM (ET)

St. Paul's Episcopal Church  
221 Union St  
Cary, NC 27511

# Tribute Wall

SU

“ I met Margie at Studio Vibe thru yoga. As a new teacher she was always so gracious even when she was the only student. We soon formed a friendship and enjoyed lunches and happy hours. She cared deeply for her daughters, friends and favorite cats (Solomon and Gellman). I will miss her terribly.  
Suzanne Gifford.

Suzanne - November 22, 2023 at 01:38 PM

KM

“ Margie was a dear, dear friend in the 90's and early 2,000's. My memories are of a wonder and devoted friend. Deepest sympathy to Margie's family.

Katie Mckenna - November 15, 2023 at 10:56 AM

CG

“ Cathy Gilgo lit a candle in memory of Marjorie (Margie)  
Elizabeth Webb Best



Cathy Gilgo - November 14, 2023 at 10:36 AM

AN

“ The first time I met Margie was when we were moving into the neighborhood (she lived two doors over). She came by as we were unpacking and said she was going to bring us dinner that night--but she wouldn't be staying as she knew we would be tired--she would just drop off the meal. She wanted to check with us as to any food allergies, things we didn't eat etc. And sure enough--at 6 pm, she showed up with a picnic basket filled with chicken pot pie, a salad, cobbler for dessert and even a bottle of wine! We were hot and sweaty and a mess and she handed us the picnic basket and said 'see you soon!' It was the most amazing meal and the joy of ending a very long, tiring day with her gift has remained one of the great joys of my life. Remembering that story always brings a smile to my face. This is who Margie was, every single day. I am going to miss her so much.

Ann - November 14, 2023 at 07:09 AM



“ *Margie was such a special friend to my mother, father, and niece Abby. She was always so gracious and thoughtful and loving. She became a family member to Mom, Dad, and Abby. I will never forget how she was so devoted to my mother in her final days, truly a best friend. We are all better people for having known Margie!*

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**Betsy Tang** - November 12, 2023 at 03:40 PM

RC

“ *Margie was the best "backyard" friend you could wish for. When the trees and bushes were smaller we could walk back and forth to say "Hi!" As the bushes and trees aged and got taller and bushier it was harder to see each other but we always watched for the lights to go on in each other's home. It was comforting to know that someone was checking up on you. When I had several surgeries, Margie was there with one of her Chicken Pot Pies or to keep me company as I walked to improve my condition. She was such a kind, caring woman. Goodbye Margie. I will miss you greatly. I will remember you every time I have Chinese dumplings or a raspberry shake.*

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**Rita Cabbage** - November 12, 2023 at 10:07 AM