



Joanne Walsh Flanagan

May 20, 1934 - March 19, 2021

Joanne Walsh Flanagan died on March 19 following a yearlong battle with pancreatic cancer. Joanne was born and raised in Bronx, NY by Irish immigrant parents. She graduated from Marymount Manhattan College and obtained a Physical Therapy Certification from Columbia University. She worked as a Physical Therapist at Kingsbridge Veterans Hospital until she married John Flanagan and moved with him to Chicago where he worked as a chemist. Shortly after their marriage Joanne and John began to raise a family of eight children.

Joanne had a deep love of family that was reinforced by her faith. She and John were active in the Liturgy and the Christian Families Movement. Joanne continued to work throughout her time in Chicago and then Akron, OH. After a move to Pittsburgh, PA for a few years John and Joanne relocated to Benicia, CA where they became active participants in the community and in St. Dominic's Catholic Church.

Joanne was preceded in death by her son Joseph, and is survived by her husband John, and her children Kathleen (John) Fitzgerald, William (Martha), Margery, Clare (Matt Korosi), Elena (Todd Harwell), Michael (Sheileen McLaughlin), Thomas (Constance), and fifteen grandchildren.

Visiting hours will be held at St Dominic's Catholic Church, Benicia on

Monday, March 29 from 4 to 8 PM with a vigil service beginning at 7 PM. A Funeral Mass of The Resurrection will be held on Tuesday, March 30th at 11 AM. Inurnment will be private at St. Dominic's Catholic Cemetery, Benicia.

COVID-19 guidelines and restrictions will be followed and friends are invited to attend the Funeral Mass virtually at: <https://youtu.be/wFrn4iDi4sU>

In lieu of flowers, those wishing to honor Joanne's life may donate to your local Food Bank, Catholic Relief Services (CRS.org), or Bread For The World (bread.org).

Previous Events

Vigil services

MAR **29**. 7:00 PM (PT)

St Dominic's Catholic Church
475 E I St
Benicia, CA 94510
(707) 747-7220

Mass of Christian Burial

MAR **30**. 11:00 AM (PT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Joanne Walsh Flanagan*

November 29, 2022 at 08:20 PM



“ *Joanne lived life to the fullest right until the end - traveling the county to visit her children, traveling the world with friends including Fr. David, dedicating herself to the St. Dominic's Grief Group, even organizing a regional grief workshop just ahead of her cancer diagnosis. All this while in her eighties! Joanne was a blessing to all of us lucky enough to know her!*

Prayers now for Deacon John, as he accepts the new reality of life without his sweetheart of 68 years!

Thank you St. Dominic's for giving Joanne a beautiful vigil and funeral mass. Seeing the archbishop and past priests was a reminder of how loved the Flanagan's are!

*Patti Erickson
Benicia*

patti erickson - April 01, 2021 at 09:47 PM



“ *I knew Joanne as a neighbor and friend. We were in Welcome Wagon together and shared many a car pool going to wonderful sites in the Bay Area. Joanne was such a gentle person and she loved her family and wonderful husband John more than anything. She was also a strong person and a woman of faith. I will always think of Joanne and what a great person she was to everyone.*

Beverly Phelan

Beverly Phelan - March 29, 2021 at 01:23 AM



“ I went to the Grief group. Joanne was one of the leaders. She made me feel so comfortable. Joanne has gained her angel wings. Pls hug my family members for me. May Jon and your family. Cherish so many of the memories.



Darla O'Donnell - March 26, 2021 at 01:37 PM

RB

“ I am very saddened to read about the passing of Mrs. Flanagan. I did not know her personally, but I work with her son Mike and can reflect on the wonderful job Mrs. and Mr. Flanagan did with him. Mike is kind and humble (which makes working with him a joy) and very good at his job, which can change from day to day and it requires a great deal of focus and concentration. I am honored to work on the same Team as Mike and I wanted to express my sincere condolences for the family's loss. After reading about Mrs. Flanagan here, I can see why Mike became such a wonderful person, having had her positive influence all his life. May God bless the Flanagan family. Red Bardes

Red Bardes - March 25, 2021 at 10:27 AM

ME

*“ A beautiful soul has left our presence and is receiving her eternal reward. She was many things to many people in our parish, but always an inspiration to do better and help others. Her grief support ministry helped so many in our community and her loving support of John's calling to the diaconate. She set an example of Christian joy and life. My sympathy to her loving family and all their friends at this loss. God speed Joanne!
Marie Earp*

MARIE EARP - March 24, 2021 at 12:02 PM



“ *Rose Romanesque Bouquet was purchased for the family of Joanne Walsh Flanagan.* ”



March 24, 2021 at 10:37 AM