



## Mary Rose Sisk McManus

June 11, 2025 - August 3, 2025

Mary Rose Sisk McManus, lovingly known as “Mame” to family and friends, passed away peacefully on Sunday, August 3, 2025. She was 85. Born on June 11, 1940, in New Haven, Connecticut, Mary was the fifth of seven children born to Edward and Alice Carroll Sisk. She grew up on Grassy Hill Road in Orange, Connecticut, where she enjoyed a vibrant and active childhood surrounded by her large and loving family. She often shared childhood stories of growing up in the Sisk family. Mary attended Amity High School in Woodbridge, where she excelled as both a swimmer and basketball player. After graduating in 1959, she studied business at Albertus Magnus College and began her career at Southern New England Telephone. Mary was President of the Ladies Guild at Our Lady of the Assumption in Woodbridge later worked for the Registrar of Voters at Town Hall, volunteered with the American Cancer Society devoting her later years to hospice and palliative care, offering comfort to the sick and dying with compassion and dedication. Her empathy and concern for others is a rare and beautiful trait. Mary was deeply devoted to her family and took great joy in her role as a mother and grandmother. Her warmth, humor, and resilience were cherished by all who knew her. Whether offering wisdom and intuition, cheering on loved ones from the sidelines, or sharing stories with her unique optimism, she always brought light and love into every room she entered. The entire family has adopted Mame’s positive sayings, such as: “EGBOK,” “Every smile is a prayer,” “Laughter is God’s hand on a troubled shoulder,” “May the love of my heart

pass from my hands to yours,” and “I love you more.” She will be remembered for her strength, her laughter, and the way she made each person in her life feel uniquely seen and loved. Her deep faith and devotion to God were constants in her life. Mary was the devoted mother of Jacqueline Cohen and her partner Joshua Pickard; Kelly Stinnett and her husband Jonathan; Francis Victor McManus and his wife Sarah; and Edward Joseph McManus and his wife Carrie. She is also lovingly remembered by her grandchildren: Katie Sandler and her husband Alex, James Stinnett, Liam McManus, Skye Stinnett, Molly McManus, Clare McManus, Jake McManus, and Ellie Rose McManus. Mary is survived by her sister, Frances Stillman. She was predeceased by her brothers Edward J. Sisk, Thomas R. Sisk, Patrick H. Sisk, Robert E. Sisk, and her sister Carol Alice Peck.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be Celebrated Thursday at 10 a.m. in Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church. Friends are asked to go directly to church. Burial in St. Lawrence Cemetery. Calling hours are Wednesday from 4 - 7 p.m. in Sisk Brothers Funeral Home 3105 Whitney Ave. Hamden. In Lieu of flowers contributions to The Hole in the Wall Gang Camp 565 Ashford Center Rd. Ashford, CT. 06278. To leave an online condolence please visit [www.siskbrother.com](http://www.siskbrother.com)

# Previous Events

## Calling hours

AUG 6. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Sisk Brothers Funeral Home  
3105 Whitney Ave.  
Hamden, CT 06518  
(203) 288-7114  
siskfuneral@sbcglobal.net

## Funeral Mass

AUG 7. 10:00 AM (ET)

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church  
2819 Whitney Ave.  
Hamden, CT

# Tribute Wall



“ Mary came into my life at a very crucial age. I was 17 going on 18. She showed me how a lady was with her poise and grace. I taught her how to watch "Fried Green Tomatoes" and eat microwave Tater Tots. She saved my life once and ill never forget that. I miss her and I am grateful to have been her roommate in Jacksonville, Florida 1993.



Nancy "Ann" Barcott (Eave) - February 14 at 04:24 AM



“ I met Mary Rose as a 20something nanny. The career choice hadn't really caught on at the time. Mary Rose was a MOM first such an amazing role model to young nanny's. In her position nanny to a wonderful family, She was so creative and such a powerful force. She always spoke of her children and all they were accomplishing. Always with her enormous smile. Sending thoughts and prayers to her family and hoping her amazing spirit lives on in all who knew her  
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BeTh Ann - September 06, 2025 at 09:54 AM

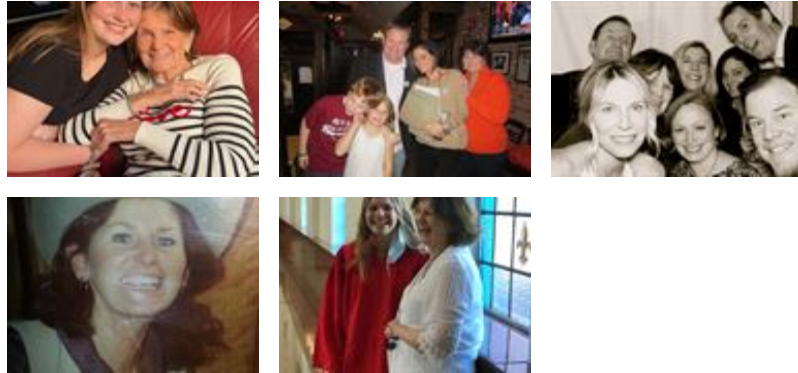


“ MaryRose's broad smile and welcoming arms is a lasting and fond memory I have always carried & will continue to hold in my heart.  
Patt Prial

Patricia Prial - August 08, 2025 at 02:06 PM



“ 259 files added to the album *LifeTributes*



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**Sisk Brothers Funeral Home** - August 06, 2025 at 09:07 AM

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“ *The Amity crew! purchased the Heavenly Grace Spray for the family of Mary Rose Sisk McManus.*



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**The Amity crew!** - August 04, 2025 at 12:19 PM

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“ *The Amity crew! planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mary Rose Sisk McManus.*

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**The Amity crew!** - August 04, 2025 at 12:19 PM

CJ

“ Christopher J. purchased the *Pink Tribute Spray* for the family of *Mary Rose Sisk McManus*.



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**Christopher J.** - August 04, 2025 at 11:06 AM

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“ Christopher J. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of *Mary Rose Sisk McManus*.

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