



Mary Joy Walsh

April 5, 1928 - January 21, 2014

Mary Joy Barrett Walsh of Hamden passed away at CT Hospice on Tuesday, January 21, 2014. She was born April 5, 1928, in Pittston, PA, daughter of the late Paul and Mary Brann Barrett and moved to Ansonia when she entered high school. She was predeceased by her husband of 54 years, Donald J. Walsh, as well as her brother, Paul E. Barrett, Sr., sister, Joan B. Dube, nephew, Paul E. Barrett, Jr., in-laws Jerome and Grace Walsh and brother-in-law William E. Keish, Jr. She is survived by her children: Sr. Mary Grace Walsh, ASCJ of Bridgeport, Catherine M. Walsh (Deborah Dayo) of Orange, Donald J. Walsh (Jenifer) of Cheshire, and Sr. Anne T. Walsh, ASCJ of Hamden. She is also survived by her beloved grandchildren Cara Rose and Patrick Barrett Walsh of Cheshire; her sister, Anne B. Belske (Walter) of Seymour; her sisters-in-law, Grace Walsh Barrett of Branford, Jane W. Clark (Wilbur) of Cheshire, Doris Keish of West Haven; brother-in-law, Richard Dube of Cheshire, as well as dear cousins, nieces and nephews and their families, and faithful friends.

Mary Joy attended the University of Connecticut and New Haven State Teachers College to earn her credentials as a teacher and school administrator. She taught in Hartford and Ansonia prior to becoming principal of Lincoln School in Ansonia for five years. After taking time off to raise and form her children, she served as teacher, Vice Principal and Director of Religious Education at St. Aedan School in New Haven for 21 years and then

as principal of St. Rose of Lima School in New Haven for 13 years until her retirement in 2003. She was an active member of St. Aedan Parish for 60 years. Mary Joy was a presenter for the Archdiocese of Hartford on a variety of topics and, with her husband, was a volunteer for the Marriage and Family Life Apostolate and Safe Environment Program of the Archdiocese as well as Springs Learning Center. Mary Joy lived a life of faith and truly epitomized her name.

The Walsh family is grateful to the many people who cared for Mary Joy in the past year with special gratitude to the Apostles of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the staff of Sacred Heart Manor and CT Hospice for their exceptional care.

Relatives and friends are invited to a Mass of Christian Burial at St. Aedan Church, 112 Fountain Street, New Haven 06515 on Saturday at 10:00 AM. Friends may call at the Sisk Brothers Funeral Home, 3105 Whitney Ave., Hamden 06518 on Friday from 4:00-8:00 PM. Interment in All Saints Cemetery, North Haven. If you wish, donations may be made in Mary Joy's name to: Apostles of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, 295 Benham Street, Hamden, CT 06514. www.siskbrothers.com

Cemetery Details

All Saints Cemetery

700 Middletown Ave.
North Haven, CT

Tribute Wall



“ *A sympathy card was purchased for the family of Mary Joy Walsh.*



February 04, 2014 at 02:53 PM



“ *My deepest sympathy to all in your family for the loss you have suffered. May you find comfort in your family, friends and the future promises in God's word. He has promised to end death forever and reunite us with our dear loved ones (Rev 21:4 & John 5:28, 29) May you continue to remember the fond memories of your loved one*

D'Anita - February 03, 2014 at 08:23 AM

JB

“ My first thoughts are for the sadness my cousins are experiencing with the loss now of both of their parents. My hearts break for you. You have my heartfelt sympathy.

Yet in the darkness there is light. There couldn't have been a more optimistic or kind person than your mother, my aunt and my God Mother. No matter what the circumstances were through the years, your mother had nothing but kind words and a uniquely insightful perspective to share. I will miss her dearly but her lessons on love and kindness will live on through me and my children through our lives. We will all be together for eternity, I know this through her faith most of all!

Love, your (double) cousin, Judy Barrett

Judy Barrett - January 24, 2014 at 02:14 PM

BC

“ Beverly Chieffo purchased the Dawn of Remembrance Basket for the family of Mary Joy Walsh.



Beverly Chieffo - January 24, 2014 at 09:41 AM

PS

“ Dear folks, It is with sadness that we read of your Mom's passing. We knew your Dad and Mom well, both from the Walsh and Barrett sides. It was my pleasure to work with your Mom when she was principal of St. Rose school with Cooperative Parish sharing programs. She did so much for the children and she was so proud of their accomplishments. With many prayers and happy memories. Peg and Charlie Schlegel.

Peg and Charlie Schlegel - January 24, 2014 at 08:17 AM

LS

“ My thoughts and prayers are with you Sister Mary Grace and to your family. Your mom was my teacher when I went to St.Aedan's. I have many happy, fond memories of her, may she rest in peace.

Lisa Wynne Schweizer

Lisa Wynne Schweizer - January 23, 2014 at 07:16 PM



“ *Secret Garden Basket* was purchased for the family of Mary Joy Walsh.



January 23, 2014 at 07:15 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket* was purchased for the family of Mary Joy Walsh.



January 22, 2014 at 05:26 PM



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January 22, 2014 at 05:25 PM



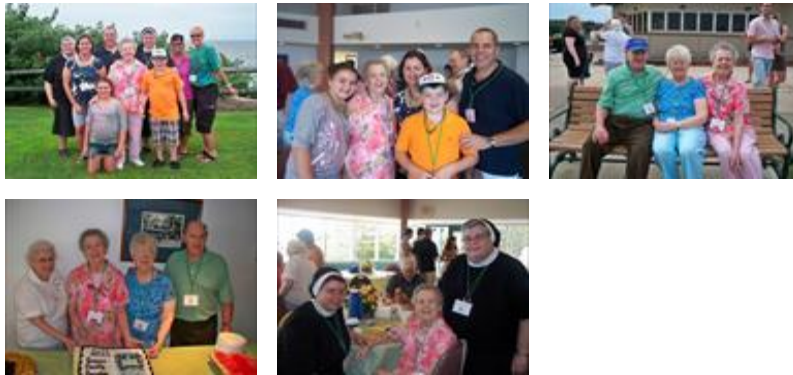
“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Mary Joy Walsh.*



January 22, 2014 at 05:24 PM



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Cindy Marinaro - January 22, 2014 at 05:08 PM



“ *To all my Walsh cousins, I'm sorry to hear that your Mom has passed away. I'm sure both our Mom's will be looking down and keeping an eye out for us.*



Dave

Dave - January 22, 2014 at 04:43 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Mary Joy Walsh.*



January 22, 2014 at 02:38 PM



“ *Sr. Mary Grace, Sorry to hear of your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you.*

Richard Madwid, Catholic Charities

Richard Madwid - January 22, 2014 at 01:59 PM