



## Ms. Carol Ann McLaughlin

March 28, 1935 - December 13, 2020

Ms. Carol Ann McLaughlin, 85, of Pittsfield, passed away on Sunday, December 13, 2020 from Covid-19. Born in Hoboken, NJ, on March 28, 1935, the daughter of the late William and Elizabeth Furstenberg Whalen, she graduated from St. Joseph High School in Pittsfield in 1952. She then attended Berkshire Business College for one year.

Following her time at Berkshire Business College, Carol was employed for two years by Attorney General Tanburnello. When her youngest started kindergarten, she began work for Taconic High School, where she was a paraprofessional. After 13 years at Taconic, she transferred to Herberg Middle School. She remained there for 5 years until moving to Pittsfield High, from where she retired in 1997.

Carol was a very social person. She enjoyed volunteering for RSVP and was a member of the Irish Sister City. She loved spending time with her family and inviting them to dinner.

Carol is survived by her daughters Julie Shea and Lori Cote. She is also survived by her 6 grandchildren: Erin Landquist, Nicole Walsh, Kelly Cote, Michael Shea, Ashley Shea and Jeremy Shea. She also felt very blessed to see her 5 great grandchildren Guinevere (Kelly), Molly and Brian Jr. (Erin) and Charlotte and Teddy (Nicole) come into the world. Carol leaves behind her dear nieces and nephew, Marilyn Walsh and Lori Whalen, and Ken Whalen. Carol was predeceased by her big brother Bill Whalen, her BELOVED son Bill Ostrander Jr., her son-in-law Richard Cote, and her nephew, Bob Whalen.

Funeral Notice:

Funeral services for Ms. Carol Ann McLaughlin will be Monday, December 21, 2020, with a Liturgy of Christian Burial at 11 a.m. at Sacred Heart Church, celebrated by the Rev. Peter Naranjo. Burial will follow at St. Joseph Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Alzheimer's Association, in care of the Dwyer Funeral Home, 776 North St., Pittsfield, MA 01201 in her memory. Donations CANNOT be made online, but may be made through the Dwyer Funeral Home.

# Cemetery Details

## St. Joseph Cemetery

222 Peck's Rd.  
Pittsfield, MA 01201

# Previous Events

## Service

DEC **21**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Sacred Heart Church  
191 Elm St.  
Pittsfield, MA 01201

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Lori and Julie*

*I'm just learning of your mom's passing. I'm very sorry to hear she is no longer with us. Aunt Carol, as I called her, was a close friend of my mom's Jean McNeil Allsop. I was reaching out to her to tell her my mom just passed and when her number was disconnected I search and found this obituary. I also loved your mom she had spunk and always told you exactly what she was thinking. I'm hoping she has reconnected with my mom in heaven. She will be missed.*

*Jackie McNeil Aquadro*

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**Jacqueline McNeil** - June 02, 2021 at 05:57 PM

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“ *Will miss visiting with Carol- always so happy to meet and reminisce sharing funny books with my sister Barbara who was a childhood friend and classmate at St Mary's and St Joseph's and then meeting at the Irish Club. Marge Flaro Nixon.*

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**Marge Flaro Nixon** - January 20, 2021 at 10:04 PM



“ *I am so very sorry for your loss. My thoughts are with you during this difficult time.*

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**Sheryl Fallon** - December 19, 2020 at 08:17 AM



“ 46 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



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**Dwyer Funeral Home Inc.** - December 18, 2020 at 01:40 PM

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“ *Carol was such a nice lady! I knew her at the Colonial as an Usher and in the Irish Sister City Committee. We had many nice chats! I'll surely miss her.*

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**Clark W Nicholls** - December 18, 2020 at 12:14 PM

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“ *To Carol's Family,  
Please accept our prayers and sympathy . Carol always wore and shared a broad,welcoming smile. She enjoyed everything and was a loyal member of the Plttsfield Irish Sister City Committee. She enjoyed helping at our Third Thursday Booth. She was loved by all of us. Rest In Peace,Carol.*

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**Patrick & Marie Gormalley** - December 17, 2020 at 11:00 AM

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*Rest in Peace, my friend.*

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**Ann Archey** - December 20, 2020 at 12:32 PM