



## Mrs. Gale Stanton Crane

October 11, 1938 - February 25, 2024

Mrs. Gale Stanton Crane, 85, of Dalton, passed away on Sunday, February 25, 2024. Born in Scranton, PA on October 11, 1938, she was the daughter of the late Sterling and Adeline Ross Stanton. Gale was a 1956 graduate of Abington Heights High School and attended Syracuse University the following year. While there she met her future husband, Christopher Murray Crane. They were married in May of 1958 and settled down in his hometown of Dalton, MA.

Gale and Chris soon had two sons, David and Douglas, and a few years later their daughter Allison arrived to keep them all in line. Gale was a devoted mother and wife, volunteering for school functions, watching sports, and always there to greet her children when they returned home for the day. She was an avid reader, and volunteered for many years at "The Quiet Corner" in Lenox, a haven for authors, readers and stimulating discussion run by her good friend Eve Perrera. She also devoted a lot of time to "Just a Second" thrift shop, whose proceeds benefitted Berkshire Country Day School. She enjoyed gardening and was a long time member of the Garden Club of America, growing both flowers and vegetables, a love she learned from her father Sterling and passed on to her children and grandchildren.

Gale also loved the ocean, especially snorkeling. Annual family trips to Osterville on Cape Cod were always a highlight, and in later years she and

Chris would spend time in Bermuda, St John, or Grand Cayman during the winter, exploring the coral, fish and beach walks.

Gale was predeceased by her beloved husband of 57 years, Christopher Murray Crane. Chris passed away on February 19, 2016. Following his death, she moved into Kimball Farms Independent Living in Lenox, where she was well cared for, enjoyed the activities and was known for her friendly demeanor with all she encountered. The family is most grateful for the care and love she received.

She is survived by her daughter, Allison Crane of Egremont and her son Charles Guyer; son Douglas and his wife Becky Crane of Dalton and their children Elizabeth (Mathew and their son Thomas), Andrew (Katie and children Declan and Clara), and Charlotte; son David and his wife Ruth Blodgett of Dalton and their children Christopher (Lindsey and daughter Alice), Alice (Nick) and Robin; and her brother Robert Stanton of Waimanalo, HI.

Funeral Notice:

Calling hours for Gale will be Thursday, March 7, 2024, from 4pm to 6pm at the Dwyer-Wellington Funeral Home in Dalton, 525 Main Street, Dalton, MA 01226.

A private funeral service and burial will be held at a later date at the convenience of the family.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in her honor to Behavioral Health Services at Berkshire Medical Center in Pittsfield, MA, or the Epilepsy Foundation of New England at [www.epilepsynewengland.org](http://www.epilepsynewengland.org).

Please share your stories here--the family would love to hear them!



# Previous Events

## Visitation

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

Dwyer -Wellington Funeral Service  
525 Main Street  
Dalton, MA 01226  
(413) 684-0215  
[information@wellingtonfuneralhome.com](mailto:information@wellingtonfuneralhome.com)  
<https://www.wellingtonfuneralhome.com/>

# Tribute Wall

AD

“ I am saddened by Gale’s death. I have been acquainted with Joyce, and Tim and his family. I got to meet Gale at Kimball Farms. I have been playing music there for several years. I was so fortunate and blessed to have had the privilege of knowing Gale. She was so amazing, upbeat and sang along with almost all of the songs. She loved her music. She always came over after to talk and compliment us. I will miss her, but think of her Thursday nights when I play at Pine Hill.

*Al Devereaux*

Al Devereaux - March 07, 2024 at 01:11 PM



“ 74 files added to the album Life Tributes



Dwyer Funeral Home Inc. - March 06, 2024 at 01:16 PM

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“ Todd, Adam, and Todd (WPS) planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mrs. Gale Stanton Crane.

Todd, Adam, and Todd (WPS) - March 05, 2024 at 10:23 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mrs. Gale Stanton Crane.



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March 05, 2024 at 10:23 AM



“ The Lambert Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mrs. Gale Stanton Crane.

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**The Lambert Family** - March 05, 2024 at 08:59 AM



“ Loving Lilies and Roses Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mrs. Gale Stanton Crane.



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“ Jerry Colvin And Joseph Clark Families planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mrs. Gale Stanton Crane.

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**Jerry Colvin And Joseph Clark Families** - March 03, 2024 at 07:51 AM

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“ Jerry Colvin And Joseph Clark Families purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Mrs. Gale Stanton Crane.



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**Jerry Colvin And Joseph Clark Families** - March 03, 2024 at 07:51 AM

RD

“ What a great lady. I will always remember her conversations with my mom when she would stop to pick up Chris's shirts.

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**ROGER DEMARY** - March 02, 2024 at 02:14 PM

DB

“ Doreen and Bob planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mrs. Gale Stanton Crane.

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**Doreen and Bob** - March 01, 2024 at 10:56 PM



“ Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Mrs. Gale Stanton Crane.



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