



## Ms. Joan H. Manning

July 18, 1939 - January 4, 2021

Ms. Joan H. Manning, 81, of Pittsfield, passed away on Monday, January 4, 2021. Born in Hartford, CT, on July 18, 1939, the daughter of the late Lewis and Julia Piorkowski Wetherell, she graduated from Mildred Elly with her degree in bookkeeping.

In her earlier career, Joan worked as a parent aide for the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children. While there, she received several awards from State agencies for the incredible work she did with single mothers and families in distress. After raising three children all on her own, she took that experience to help others less fortunate than herself. She later worked for Berkshire Ambulance in their accounting department.

Among many things, she loved walking along Onota Lake, and especially loved the ocean on stormy days with big waves. Joan always made huge holiday meals for her family but was most noted for the Christmas cookies she made each year that family couldn't wait to eat. Her children and grandchildren were everything to her. She was never more happy than the time she spent with them.

Joan is survived by her children, Richard Manning, of Portsmouth, NH, Linda Antonangeli (Ben) of Windsor, MA, and Theresa Fowler, of Pittsfield, MA. She leaves behind her grandchildren, Alexandra Nutting and Drew Fowler as well as her sister, Jackie Sheehan, nephews Joe and Jeff Archer and cousin Dorothy Pysh.

The family would also like to thank the staff at Mt Greylock ECF for the

incredible care and compassion shown to Joan during her time there.

Funeral Notice:

Funeral services for Ms. Joan H. Manning will be Friday, January 8, 2021, with a Liturgy of Christian Burial at 1 p.m. at St. Joseph Church, celebrated by the Rev. Jeffrey Archer, Pastor. Burial will follow in St. Joseph Cemetery. All attendees of the funeral mass and burial are required to wear face coverings the entire time. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Cure Alzheimer's Fund. 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

JAN 8. 1:00 PM (ET)

St. Joseph Church  
414 North St.  
Pittsfield, MA 01201

# Tribute Wall

LA

“ Dear Mom, I can't believe it's been a whole year since I last saw you. Not one day goes by that I haven't cried because I know all you went through for over 10 years. Damn dementia. I'm so sorry you had to fight and struggle every single day for so long. You are the strongest, and most courageous person I will ever know. I know you won't see this post but, I just hope you know how much I love you and miss you.

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Linda Antonangeli - January 03, 2022 at 01:10 PM

TP

“ From the family of Thomas Pysh,  
Our deepest sympathy for the loss of your Mom.  
Joan was always a good cousin to me. I thought  
of her often, over the years, and wondered how she was.  
I recently sent her a letter, however it came back to me.  
May God Bless your Mom.  
In our thoughts and prayers, Thomas Pysh

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thomas pysh - February 15, 2021 at 04:09 PM

KV

“ Joan was my best friend. I knew her for 45  
years. She was the kindest caring person on  
earth. One of Gods angels. She was more  
like a sister than a friend to me. I loved her  
and will miss her. Forever best friends. Kathy



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kathy Vittone - January 07, 2021 at 02:57 PM



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**Dwyer Funeral Home Inc.** - January 07, 2021 at 01:04 PM