



Mrs. Maureen B. Quinlan

March 8, 1939 - January 20, 2022

Mrs. Maureen B. Quinlan, 82, of Lenox, passed away peacefully on Thursday, January 20, 2022. Born in Pittsfield, MA on March 8, 1939, the daughter of the late W. Donald and Cecilia Magner Bercury, she graduated from The College of our Lady of the Elms in 1960 and went on to become an elementary school teacher.

Maureen loved to read and, for the majority of her career, was employed by Morningside Elementary School, where she worked as a reading specialist. She also helped establish a local “Reading is FUNdamental” program, which provides children books of their own and emphasizes that reading is the foundation of all learning and must be encouraged early in life.

Among many things, she enjoyed reading, staying abreast of current events, gardening, antiques, hosting holidays, and spending time with her family. An avid golfer, Maureen was a proud member of the Country Club of Pittsfield. Faith was a foundation of her life and she was an active member of the St Mark's and St Theresa communities.

Maureen is survived by her beloved husband, David Quinlan. She and Dave wed on July 14, 1962, and would have celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary later this year. She leaves behind her children Christopher

Quinlan (Monika), Mark Quinlan (Catherine), Peter Quinlan (Jennifer), Mary Jill (Quinlan) McCarthy (Brendan), and Shaun Quinlan (Meghan). Maureen also leaves behind her brother, Donald Bercury (Judith), and sisters-in-law Sr. Connie Quinlan, Martha Barry, and Therese Nesbit (Paul). She is survived by her grandchildren Patrick, Conor, Aidan, Liam, and Rowan Quinlan; Aisling and Teagan Quinlan; Duncan and Lillian Quinlan; Theo and Tucker Quinlan; and Quinn and Laney McCarthy; as well as many nieces and nephews.

The family wishes to thank the staff at both Kimball Farms Life Care and Berkshire Medical Center for the care they provided Maureen during her final years.

Funeral Notice:

Funeral services for Mrs. Maureen B. Quinlan will be private. In lieu of flowers, donations in her memory can be made to the non-profit Reading is Fundamental (rif.org) to honor her love and commitment to literacy in children.

Cemetery Details

St. Joseph Cemetery

222 Peck's Rd.
Pittsfield, MA 01201

Tribute Wall

BK

“ Dear Don, Judy, Therese and Paul,
I am just catching up on local news and saw
that you had a loss. Sending prayers for
peace and comfort for you all and a prayer for
Maureen’s soul.
May she Rest In Peace. My condolences
Sincerely,
BeckyKnox



Becky Knox - January 28, 2022 at 02:32 PM

DF

“ Dear David and family,
I was saddened to learn that Maureen passed away. I always
remember the times that I spoke with both of you while working at
the Country Club of Pittsfield. She was a very nice person who will
be missed by everyone who loved her. Dave Fiedler

David Fiedler - January 28, 2022 at 11:24 AM

WF

“ My sympathy to all of the family.

William Frazier - January 26, 2022 at 07:45 PM

JM

“ It has been many years since I have been in touch with Maureen. We were roommates at Our Lady of the Elms College in our Junior year. She was fun-loving, friendly, and feisty. The Elms was a great place to develop friendships; many of us were the first in our families to attend college and quite a few of us, like Maureen and me, became teachers. I send my love and deepest sympathy to her family. I plan to make a donation to eh Elms College in Maureen's name. Judy Stagnaro McCarthy

Judy McCarthy - January 26, 2022 at 02:07 PM

MC

“ Dear David and the entire Quinlan family.

I am so sorry you have lost Maureen. She was my godmother and someone I admired my entire life.

When I was ten years old, Maureen asked me to help her organize and count the reply cards to her wedding. This was a plum assignment since it elevated me to grown up status among the younger grandchildren. Thank you, Maureen.

When I was about to leave for college, I was visiting with Nana, Aunt Ceil and Maureen when the conversation turned to college wardrobes. It was clear Nana and Aunt Ceil were looking to purchase some things for me from England Brothers. Alas, it was the 1970's when wardrobes were more hippy than England Brothers. I wasn't quite sure how this discussion was going to end when Maureen said, "Let Mary Irene get to college and see what others are wearing. Then she will let you know what she needs." Thank you, Maureen.

When I began teaching in very rural New Hampshire, Maureen helped me begin a Reading is FUNdamental program for the school district. Over the years, the children in that district benefitted greatly from the program. So, on behalf of those children, and me, thank you, Maureen.

All of you, and especially Maureen, will be in my thoughts and prayers this week, and beyond.

*With love,
Mary Irene (Magner) Connolly*

Mary Connolly - January 26, 2022 at 09:48 AM



“ 61 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Dwyer Funeral Home Inc. - January 26, 2022 at 09:32 AM

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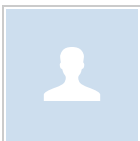
“ *Dear Dave,*

We are thinking of you since we knew of Maureen's passing. Maureen will be remembered for being a committed teacher, a caring, kind neighbor, and a delightful co-worker at Morningside School.

Please extend our condolences to the members of your family.

*We send our love and deepest sympathy,
Linda and Ruth Briggs*

Linda Briggs - January 25, 2022 at 11:22 PM



“ *A Full Life was purchased for the family of Mrs. Maureen B. Quinlan.*



January 25, 2022 at 10:59 AM