



Mary Grace Van Nest

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Mary Grace Van Nest of Davidsonville, Maryland died at her residence on Tuesday January 31, 2012. She was 69.

Born in Plainfield, New Jersey on September 15, 1942, the daughter of Walter J. and Grace D. Paltz, she graduated from Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School, class of 1960. She then received her bachelor's degree from Wheeling Jesuit University in Wheeling, West Virginia.

Mrs. Van Nest also graduated from the school of Medical Records at the Graduate Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania in Philadelphia. She was very active in Girl Scouts from youth through adulthood when she became a leader trainer.

In 1982 she started working with Navy Medical Records while her husband was stationed in Iceland. She continued working in the local naval hospital at all of her husband's subsequent assignments, ending her career at the then Bethesda Naval Hospital in 1998.

She was a member of Holy Family Catholic Church in Davidsonville and the American Health Information and Management Association. She was an avid quilter and an accomplished Tole painter. She and her family enjoyed several years of sponsoring Naval Academy Midshipmen.

She is survived by her husband, Captain, Ronald L. Van Nest, NC, USN (Ret) of Middlesex, New Jersey, whom she married on September 27, 1966; her daughter Charlene M. Van Nest; one grandchild Amy G. Van Nest of Davidsonville and her brother Christopher Paltz of Easton, Pennsylvania.

She was predeceased by her son, Ronald L. Van Nest, Jr., and her brothers Walter J. Paltz, Jr. of San Diego, California and John Q. Paltz of Tampa, Florida.



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Friends may call at Lasting Tributes Cremation and Funeral Care, P.A. , 814 Bestgate Road, Annapolis, Maryland 21401 on Friday February 3, 2012 from 6 to 8 PM.

The funeral will be held on Saturday February 4, 2012 at 10:00 AM at Holy Family Catholic Church, 826 West Central Avenue, Davidsonville, Maryland 21035. Family and friends may gather in the narthex of the church at 9:30 AM.


Burial will take place at a later date at St. Bernard's Catholic Cemetery in Bridgewater, New Jersey.

Memorial contributions maybe made in lieu of flowers to The Ronald L. Van Nest, Jr. Memorial Scholarship Fund, Ledyard High School 24 Gallup Hill Road, Ledyard Connecticut 06339.


For online condolences, please visit www.LastingTributesFuneralCare.com.



Visitation

 **Friday**, February 3, 2012

 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM ET


 **Lasting Tributes Cremation & Funeral Care**
814 Bestgate Rd, Annapolis MD 21401

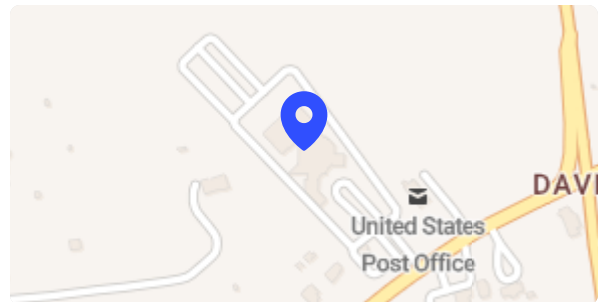


Service

 **Saturday**, February 4, 2012

 10:00 AM ET

 **Holy Family Catholic Church**
826 West Central Avenue, Davidsonville MD
20135





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JL

Joseph James Lauer posted:

Ron. On behalf of the Wheeling College Class of 1964 please accept our sincere condolences on the recent loss our classmate and your beloved partner of 46 years. I was very surprised to hear the sad news. It seems like only yesterday we shared e-mails about your trip to Colorado Springs for the annual Navy-Air Force football game in 2010. I know MG was a strong supporter of the Navy, the Midshipmen and I am sure a great Navy wife. She will be missed but will be remembered by the class at our 50th reunion in 2014. I know that words sometimes cannot heal the sorrow at times like this but I have always taken comfort in the following words from a priest in my hometown at the funerals of my parents: The Love of God Surrounds us, The Light of God Shines in us, The Spirit of God Hovers Over us, The Presence of God Unfolds as us, And wherever we are, God is. Go in gentleness. Go in peace Mary Grace. Jim (J.J.) Lauer Class Agent.

February 12 at 12:10 PM

SP

Spitz posted:

We are grateful to Mary and Ron for their kindness to our daughter Greta, while she attended the Naval Academy. Will keep her family in our prayers. Spitz family

February 4 at 6:44 AM

MC

Mary Carico posted:

Ron, I was so sorry to hear about Mary, My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. I only met Mary one time and I enjoyed talking with her. I know what a wonderful and loving help she was to you . God Bless you and your family Mary Carico

February 3 at 10:26 AM

SP

Sharon Pearce posted:

Charlene & Family, I am so sorry to hear of the passing of your mom. My prayers are with you and your family. May you feel the loving arms of our Lord wrapped around you in comfort during your time of grief. Sharon Pearce

February 3 at 1:55 AM

JK

Joyce Kelly lit a candle in honor of Mary .



February 2 at 9:23 AM



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AL

Ann Lavezzo lit a candle in honor of Mary .



February 2 at 6:39 AM

BL

Brenda Laughhunn posted:

Charlene, Sharing with you the sense of loss for one so loved.....may grace and peace be yours during this time. You are in the thoughts and prayers of Calvert Hospice team. With deepest sympathy, Brenda Laughhunn Executive Director

February 1 at 10:59 AM

TJ

Todd Johnson February 2 at 5:38 AM

Ron and Charlene, I am so sorry for your loss. Mary will be missed by all. She was such a wonderful friend to Gail and, when she was passing by and saw me in the yard working, never failed to stop by and inquire as to how I was doing. I will always be appreciative of her kindness and caring.-Todd Johnson



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Mary by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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