



Nancy K. Mason

February 26, 1936 - June 10, 2021

Nancy K. Mason died peacefully at home on June 9, 2021. She was a resident of Springfield, Massachusetts for the past 15 years.

She was born in Lawrence, Massachusetts on February 26, 1936 to Eva R. (Chré'tien) and Richard M. Kavanagh. Nancy spent her youth living in Haverhill, Massachusetts, Philadelphia and Hartford, among other places. She earned a B.A. in Foreign Languages at the University of Connecticut, an M.S. in Counseling Psychology from Springfield College, and an M.A. and Ph.D. in Philosophy from the Catholic University of America. When she retired in 2006 she was the Director of Fund Distribution for the United Way of America.

Nancy loved entertaining when she was in better health. She adored Japanese art with a collection to prove it. Nancy treasured her books, especially on World Wars I and II, art, philosophy and American History. She was passionate about her politics. Nancy could hold her own when it came to confrontations. If you knew her, you know what I mean. Her younger adult years were full of mischief. She was quite a beautiful woman, looking 15 years younger than she was. She liked that. She loved exotic food and talking about her cooking adventures. The New York Times and her New Yorker were mandatory. When she could find her glasses, that is! She was truly a smarty pants. She traveled several times to Europe, her favorite city being Paris. Her kitties over the years have brought her great joy, especially Dixie, a one-woman cat. She leaves behind her adoring kitties, Buddy and Millie.

Nancy is survived by her daughter, Elizabeth (Betsy) Mason and grandson

Adam J. Romaniak of Springfield, MA.

She is predeceased by her former husband, James N. Mason, Jr. and her grandson Eric James Romaniak.

She also leaves in this world, two people that meant a great deal to her, Father Thomas Shea of Holyoke, MA and Linda Naiditch of Washington, DC. Visitation will be held on Friday, June 25, 2021 from 6-8PM at New England Funeral & Cremation Center, LLC, 25 Mill Street, Springfield, MA.

Private committal services will be held at Springfield Cemetery. For expressions of sympathy please visit her memorial page at www.nefcc.net To send a flower arrangement or to plant trees in memory of Nancy K. Mason.

Tribute Wall

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“ We are so sorry for your loss. Much LOVE and PEACE at this difficult time.

Timothy Tyrone McQuade - February 14, 2023 at 09:59 AM

WB

“ Betsy, We pray that your happy memories of your mother bring comfort to you now. She sounds like a remarkable woman who raised another woman of substance, kindness, and humor. We’re sorry for your loss.

Wendy and Joe Bonavita - February 14, 2023 at 09:59 AM

JH

“ Betsy, I’m saddened by the loss of your mother. I know how much you loved her. You are in my thoughts and prayers.

John Hopkins - February 14, 2023 at 09:59 AM

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“ In Loving Memory of Nancy K. Mason, The loss of someone so close is difficult to bear. Your grief is shared.

A Sympathy Gift of 10 Memorial Trees has been Planted In Loving Memory of Nancy K. Mason courtesy of Geoffrey Roberts.

Geoffrey Roberts - February 14, 2023 at 09:59 AM

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“ A life well-lived, filled with many accomplishments and adventures, many memories left to reflect upon as we grieve the journey to eternal life.

Geoffrey Roberts - February 14, 2023 at 09:59 AM

JR

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Jessica RIOUX - February 14, 2023 at 09:59 AM