



Claire Ann Horan

September 22, 1950 - October 23, 2023

Horan, Claire Ann (maiden name Mallas), 73, a resident since 2018 of Conway, South Carolina, passed away on Monday, October 23, 2023. Claire was formerly from Colonia, New Jersey, where she resided most of her life.

Claire was a kind, loving, thoughtful, generous, and good natured person who valued family and friendships. She was our rock especially in trying times. She was smart and talented and took special pleasure in crocheting blankets for many, cooking and baking for all kinds of occasions and specialized in creating wedding cakes. She managed a local candy store, making many of the items for sale; worked in banking as an auxiliary employee, and worked for Nielsen Company doing data collection of retail grocery stores. Claire was an active member of St. Thomas the Apostle Byzantine Church, Rahway, New Jersey, where she catered.

She was preceded in death by her eldest son Billy, her older brother Paul, and her mom and dad, Mary and Paul Mallas. She is survived by her loving husband William J. Horan; her sons Jeffrey and his wife Jana and Daniel Sr and his wife Chrissy; and seven grandchildren (aka Grammyof7): Caitlin, James and fiance' Tori Jackson, Sean, Liam, Patrick, Daniel Jr, and Lily; brother Frank Mallas and wife Sophia Demas; sister Mary Carol Mallas Howard; nephews Paul and Kyle Mallas; nieces Rachel, and Sarah Mallas, Emily Howard Staub, and Molly Howard Ison, and two grand nephews and

eight grand nieces; extended Barnick family in Maryland, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania; and special friends Donna Hardgrove, Patty Lovgrin, and Rose Watkins, and many others.

A Celebration of Life for Claire is being held Saturday, October 28, 2023, at 11a.m. at Goldfinch Funeral Home, 606 Beaty St., Conway, SC., officiated by Pastor Josh Finklea.

Claire's cremated remains will be interred with her son Billy in the Spring at the family plot at the St. Gertrude's Cemetery, Colonia, New Jersey. The exact date will be announced when it is determined. All are welcome to join in on her celebration of life.

In lieu of flowers, you can make a memorial contribution to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. Go to www.stjude.org/donate and clicking "Dedicate my donation".

Cemetery Details

Goldfinch Crematory

P.O. Drawer 1009
Murrells Inlet, 29576

Previous Events

Memorial Service

OCT **28**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Goldfinch Funeral Home, Conway Chapel
606-610 Beaty Street
Conway, SC 29526

Tribute Wall



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Claire Ann Horan.*



October 26, 2023 at 06:15 AM



“ *Claire and I have been friends since we were 12 years old. We went through Woodbridge and Colonia High Schools together and then went on to Graduate from Nancy Taylor Secretarial School the next year. Both got married— worked in various jobs and continued to take care of our families—still in Colonia. We both helped each other through the years and Claire was always there for me. As I was to her back then. Things were always happening and we got the problems solved one way or another. We kind of lost contact in the recent years with kids in all different states and then being busy with grandkids but we did keep in touch with family news during the years. When I got the call that Claire was so ill and close to death I was taken back that my longest friend was going to be gone from us. But she is in heaven now in a better place and also with her oldest son Billy who she has missed for so long. God Bless and rest in peace. Your loving friend Donna 🥹*

Donna Hardgrove - October 25, 2023 at 08:11 PM



“ *Dear Bill and the boys,
We are so sorry for your loss.
All our love,
Mary Ellen, Carol, Ed, Brigid, Jared, and baby Ann.*

Mary Ellen Wyllie - October 25, 2023 at 05:17 PM

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“ *The Wyllie, Blakeslee & Otto Family purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Claire Ann Horan.*



The Wyllie, Blakeslee & Otto Family - October 25, 2023 at 05:13 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Claire Ann Horan.*



October 25, 2023 at 03:15 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Claire Ann Horan.*



October 25, 2023 at 02:42 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Claire Ann Horan.*



October 25, 2023 at 02:37 PM

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“ Sarah Mallas purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Claire Ann Horan.



Sarah Mallas - October 25, 2023 at 02:26 PM