



## Joan C. Fordham

May 23, 1941 - December 16, 2025

Joan Corcoran Fordham passed away peacefully December 16, 2025, in Myrtle Beach, SC with her loving husband, Jim, by her side.

Born May 23, 1941 in Queens, NY to Thomas and Adelaide Corcoran, Joan grew up with her 2 younger sisters, Patricia Molumby and Cathy (David) Barton. She achieved a Master's degree in education from St Joseph's College in NY.

Joan met Jim in 1967 and soon decided to spend their lives together, marrying on July 6, 1968. They were blessed with three children, James M (Andre') Fordham III, Karen (Mike) Martinez and Susan (Kevin) Werner. Along with five grandchildren, Alexis, Abbie and Kevin Christopher (KC) Werner and Meghan and Ethan Martinez.

Joan was a devoted wife and mother who guided her family through multiple moves across different states. She made friends easily and was an expert hostess as well as

an avid letter writer to friends she made throughout her life.

She was a devout Catholic who blessed the many different parishes she belonged to over her life with her service and commitment to helping others. She was most recently a member of Pier Giorgio Frassati Parrish in Myrtle Beach.

Joan was a woman of many interests. She loved her daily crossword puzzles, playing Bingo, bridge and golf with friends, as well as all manner of arts and crafts. She enjoyed travelling to new places and cruising to distant ports.

Joan was loved by so many and will be missed by everyone who knew her.

Funeral Mass will be held at Frassati Chapel, 215 Ronnie Court, Myrtle Beach, SC on Saturday, January 10th at noon.

In lieu of flowers, please consider donating to Alzheimer's Association or Catholic Charities.

# Previous Events

## Mass

JAN 10. 12:00 PM (ET)

Frassati Catholic Church  
215 Ronnie Court  
Myrtle Beach, SC 29579

# Tribute Wall

SR

“ So many wonderful memories of our time together in North Carolina from being at plant functions to being at Sunday mass or vacation Bible school in the summer to going out to dinner or even making our freezer strawberry jam on girls day out she was always willing to try anything and taught us all many things in our life that I will hold it dear and cherish in my heart forever. Please tell everyone that I am thinking of them and you all are in my prayers.

Susan Rice - December 30, 2025 at 08:43 PM

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“ What began as a friendship in an amazing family neighborhood in Oceanport NJ turned into a lifelong friendship continued with the ups and downs of life through many moves to different locations. Joan was always the most gracious hostess and guest as well. The wonderful memories of our times spent together will always be with me.

Louise - December 26, 2025 at 02:18 PM

CS

“ Joan was a lovely lady. She always had a smile on her face and a kind word for everyone.

Cindy Salmon - December 19, 2025 at 08:27 PM

TC

“ Joan was a very charming lady and she added quality to any event that she attended. It was my privilege to have known her. Wishing Jim and family the very best in the coming days.

Travis Cullifer - December 18, 2025 at 07:56 AM

CQ

*Joan was a great neighbor in Oceanport when we were in our 30's and our Kids were very young. Through the years we had kept in touch. Our girls friends. Wishing her family peace and comfort. Love, all  
The Quirks*

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**Carol Quirk** - December 28, 2025 at 06:10 PM

JS

*What a blessing to have known Joan (and Jim!) in the Outer Banks. Joan and I shared many a golf game together over the years--most of the time the golf game not so good, but the friendship great. One word totally describes Joan---kind. Never a bad word about anyone and always a lady. You are missed, Joan!*

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**Joanne Sulik** - January 04 at 04:55 PM