



Maryann Victoria Bowker

October 13, 1947 - June 19, 2024

Maryann Victoria Bowker, 76, of Myrtle Beach, passed away on Wednesday, June 19, 2024, at MUSC Medical Center in Charleston, South Carolina, with her loving family by her side.

Maryann was born on October 13, 1947, in Jersey City, New Jersey, a daughter of the late John Rawluk and Marion Girardi Rawluk. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her brother, John Rawluk and her sister, Stephanie Rawluk.

As a young woman, Maryann attained her master's degree in education and English from Trenton State College in New Jersey. On June 27, 1970, she married the love of her life, William George Bowker. Maryann had a long and successful career as a social worker. She worked for the Mercer County Board of Social Services for 37 years. In her leisure time, Maryann loved to travel, especially to the beach and to the Outer Banks of North Carolina. She also enjoyed crafting, making flower arrangements, and crocheting blankets. Above all else, she treasured spending time with her family, especially her grandchildren. She was caring, selfless, compassionate, and outgoing. She never met a stranger and could start a conversation with anyone. Maryann was a loving wife, mother, grandmother, and friend.

Maryann is survived by her loving family who will forever cherish her memory.

Survivors include her devoted husband of 54 years, William “Bill” Bowker; her son Christopher Bowker; her son David Bowker and his wife Sandra Wiley; her daughter Cori Irving and her husband Jonathan Irving; her three grandchildren, Liam, Lane, and Luke; her sister-in-law Michaela Rawluk; her 2 godchildren, Katie Rawluk Longo and Brian Semeta; as well as countless nieces, nephews, extended family members and many friends.

A memorial service to honor Maryann will be held on Friday, June 28, 2024, at 3:00 PM at Goldfinch Funeral Home of Carolina Forest (325 Hinson Drive, Myrtle Beach, SC 29579). Pastor Darren Squires will be officiating the service. Her family will receive friends during a visitation before the service from 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM, and until 4:00 PM after the service, also at Goldfinch Funeral Home of Carolina Forest.

In lieu of flowers, the family encourages that donations be made in Maryann’s memory to the American Cancer Society (www.cancer.org), the American Heart Association (www.heart.org), or to the American Diabetes Association (www.diabetes.org).

Goldfinch Funeral Home of Carolina Forest is honored to serve the family.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN **28**. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Goldfinch Funeral Home, Carolina Forest Chapel
325 Hinson Drive
Myrtle Beach, SC 29579

Memorial Service

JUN **28**. 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ Goldfinch Funeral Services created a Tribute Video in memory of Maryann Victoria Bowker



Goldfinch Funeral Home - June 27, 2024 at 09:06 AM

AL

*My deepest sympathy to all.
Maryann was one of the most authentic people I met at MCBOSS.
God bless your memories and her legacy.*

Annette Lartigue - June 29, 2024 at 01:53 PM

EC

“ So heartbroken. “Aunt” Maryann has touched and helped so many, more than any of us will ever know. She will be missed. Our family sends our prayers and love.

Elaine Crawford - July 02, 2024 at 07:41 AM

AE

“ Sending my condolences to the family of Maryann 🕊️

A Epps - June 29, 2024 at 08:23 AM

GC

“ Grand Strand Parkway Crew purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Maryann Victoria Bowker.



Grand Strand Parkway Crew - June 27, 2024 at 09:53 PM

WF

“ Maryann was my supervisor in 1980. She was such a sweet, loving and caring person. My sincere condolences to her family.

Wanda Funderburk - June 27, 2024 at 12:31 AM

TF

“ The Perry/DiDonato Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Maryann Victoria Bowker.



The Perry/DiDonato Family - June 26, 2024 at 09:40 AM

TF

“ The Perry/DiDonato Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Maryann Victoria Bowker.

The Perry/DiDonato Family - June 26, 2024 at 09:40 AM

CB

“ Thanks for everything Mom, I love and miss you from Chris!



Chris Bowker - June 24, 2024 at 11:31 AM

IM

“ Maryann was always kind, funny and genuine. She will be missed. Sending sincere condolences and prayers to you all.



Ikecia Mapp - June 23, 2024 at 11:13 PM

T2

“ The OG Bellamwr squad 2 purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Maryann Victoria Bowker.



The OG Bellamwr squad 2 - June 23, 2024 at 08:30 PM

T2

“ The OG Bellamwr squad 2 planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Maryann Victoria Bowker.

The OG Bellamwr squad 2 - June 23, 2024 at 08:30 PM

LU

“ I went to school with her children, and when I began working with her she remembered me and treated me with so much kindness love and compassion. Great travel stories!

Larry Up - June 23, 2024 at 07:39 PM

MD

“ Maryann and I worked together for many years. May her memory be a blessing.

MICHAEL DUBROW - June 23, 2024 at 04:48 PM

LW

“ Maryann was my supervisor for quite a few years. She was so nice. I really enjoyed working for her. She'll be greatly missed.

Laura Waldron - June 21, 2024 at 11:25 AM

RL

Aw, Boke! I was wondering why I haven't heard from you in a bit on Facebook... You were one of my dearest and oldest friends on the job.. we started months apart.. our 'O' section days when we were young and crazy..

You were one the funniest , kindest, sweetest, and gentle souls ever ..R.I.P. my dear friend. 🥹

Ron Luckenbach - June 21, 2024 at 02:55 PM

CM

Maryann was an extremely caring, considerate, understanding, compassionionate, and patient person! She was a pleasure to have as a supervisor at MCBoss as she made coming to work enjoyable! She took the stress out of work as she was always easy to joke with and didn't take herself overly seriously! I am very saddened by her passing and I pray that God will provide her family with sufficient strength during this difficult time! I will miss her very much!

Carl Markau - June 21, 2024 at 07:01 PM

RC

Maryann was a wonderful person...she was my supervisor and friend for many years...prayers and love to her beautiful family ❤️🙏

Rosemarie Conti - June 23, 2024 at 09:21 AM

PG

Maryann was one of the kindest persons they've met when I was staying in South Carolina. She made she always made me welcome whenever I was there. I will never forget her for that. She will surely be missed rest in peace.

Patricia Gundersen - June 23, 2024 at 10:09 AM

MG

Worked with Maryann for many, many years at welfare. Always smiling, joking and laughing. She never seemed to have a bad day. Oh, and her love for Ricky Martin. Rest in paradise Bok 🙏

Maureen Gulden - June 23, 2024 at 10:22 AM

FW

I worked with Maryann and she was one of the nicest ladies you could ever meet helpful to everyone. My Deepest condolences to her family Faith Worthy

Faith Worthy - June 23, 2024 at 12:50 PM

SC

She was a nice and funny lady. My condolences to the family which she truly loved.

Sylvia Foltiny Clark

SYLVIA CLARK - June 24, 2024 at 11:03 AM

FD

I have so many great memories of the Boke that I'd be hard pressed to pick a favorite.

From the beginning days in crazy "O" Section, through lunches at Parkway Pizza, Miss Julie's and so many other adventures, she continued to amaze us with her humor and her unique take on life and all its ups and downs.

She was a force to be reckoned with and always a lot of fun. The blankets she made are still keeping us warm.

Condolences to Bill and the family.

Fred DiGiuseppe - June 25, 2024 at 02:41 PM

EC

So heartbroken. "Aunt" Maryann has touched and helped so many, more than any of us will ever know. She will be missed. Our family sends our prayers and love.

Elaine Crawford - July 02, 2024 at 07:39 AM