



## Mary Ann Kahane

July 3, 1930 - October 19, 2021

Mary Ann Kahane passed away peacefully at her daughter, Barbara's home in Lewes, DE on Tuesday, October 19, 2021. She was born on July 3, 1930 in Chicago, Illinois, daughter of the late Alice M. (Butcher) and Thomas McInerney and moved to Murphysboro as a child.

After having 5 children, Mary Ann went on with her education to become BSN and was proud that all three daughters followed in her career choice. She was also proud of her son Billy for serving our country as a Marine and a police officer, and her son Jimmy for starting his own construction company.

Mary Ann was employed at the Lyons Veterans Hospital in New Jersey where she met her second husband, Stanley Kahane. She was responsible for creating and running the PTSD (post-traumatic stress disorder) unit at the Lyons, VA. Mary Ann and Stanley have filled many of lines in their friends and families address books with their many moves up and down the East coast. After several homes, they finally settled down in Lewes, Delaware, with their dog Murphy to be near family (the third time's a Charm).

Mary Ann was a member of a special club within Beebe Healthcare, called "Doctor Palekar's 90 Club," and she proudly made donations to Beebe Healthcare. She was of strong faith and belonged to Saint Jude the Apostle Catholic Church in Lewes. Mary Ann enjoyed watching Blue Bloods and wearing jewelry made by her granddaughter, Cassandra. Above all, she enjoyed time spent with those she held most dear. Mary Ann was a loving and devoted wife, mother, grandmother, friend, and will be deeply missed by all who knew her.

In addition to her parents, Mary Ann was predeceased by her beloved husband, Stanley Kahane who passed away in 2016. She is survived by her children: Mary Ann Smeader (Jack) of Delray Beach, FL; Barbara Richards (Jim) of Lewes, DE; Patricia Mitzak of Nazareth, PA; William Brown (Shelly) of Bridgewater, NJ; James Brown of Binghamton, NY; her grandchildren: Kelly Ravens (Jon) of Tampa, FL; Chelsea Brown (Aaron) of

Waxhaw, NC; Matthew Smeader (Carla) of Delray Beach, FL; Cassandra Jantz (Jason) of Lewes, DE; Jimmy Richards III of Lewes, DE; Joseph Mitzak (Susan) of Skippack, PA; Christopher Mitzak (Kelly) of Easton, PA; Courtney Breiner (Mark) of Easton, PA; Andrew Mitzak and Sacette Mijares of Orlando, FL; Lt. William Brown, Jr. of Bridgewater, NJ; Katie Brown of Bridgewater, NJ; Faith Coffman (Matt) of St. Louis, MO; and Tommy Langley of Montgomery, AL; and her 12 Great grandchildren.

A memorial will be held at a later date at the Delaware Veterans Memorial Cemetery, Millsboro, DE, where she will be buried alongside her husband, Stanley.

In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made in Mary Ann's memory to the Beebe Healthcare Foundation, <https://www.beebehealthcare.org/donate>.

The family would like to extend special prayers to Dr. Palekar who was instrumental in her care after her stroke and chronic medical conditions and to Beebe Hospital and the Moorings for their quality of care and compassion during her last few weeks.

Please sign the virtual guestbook located on the tribute page.

# Comments

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“ To all the family of Mrs. Kahane

I just wanted to let you know that you are all in my prayers during this time of sorrow. Mrs. Kahane's faith was very evident to me each time I was privileged to bring her Holy Communion. I can't imaging how deep your sense of loss must be. May you be blessed and comforted by the Dear Lord's peace.

Sincerely,

Nan Ruhl

**Nancy Ruhl** - November 10, 2021 at 04:37 PM

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“ I was lucky enough to see Mary Ann at home for physical therapy. I admired her kindness and strong drive to to always be Independent and do as much a she could. She was an inspiration. What I saw the most was the strong love of her family. My deepest condolences.

Debbie Sheing MSPT

**Debbie Sheing** - November 04, 2021 at 12:22 PM