



## Betty Ann Callanan

June 14, 1933 - August 10, 2021

Burlington, MA – Betty Ann “B.A.” Callanan, 88, of Burlington and formerly of Hampton, NH, returned to God on August 10, 2021. Betty was born June 14, 1933 (Flag Day) in Schenectady, New York, a daughter of the late James and Margaret (Leonard) Kalteux.

She loved her life and shared that love with her friends and family as the glue who maintained connections by correspondence and social gatherings. From an early age, “B.A.” was a great reader and a prolific chronicler of life and family events in a carefully maintained diary that spanned forty years. She enjoyed animals, music of all kinds (especially playing the guitar), handmade crafts, and fishing. Her beloved husband John Callanan and she shared over 50 years of their good-natured humor, generous hospitality, and devoted faith-filled life with everyone they knew.

She is survived by her brother James Kalteux (Mary) of Schenectady, NY, cousin Toby Hoare (Molly) of Newburyport, MA, daughter Elizabeth Callanan Hutchinson (Robert) of Wellesley, MA, daughter Theresa Callanan O'Callaghan of Portsmouth, NH, and son Michael Callanan (Linda) of Melrose, MA. Loving grandchildren: Jack Callanan, Tommy Callanan, Mary Callanan, Grace Hutchinson, and Sarah Hutchinson. She is also survived by cherished in-laws, cousins, nieces, nephews and many great friends.

She was predeceased by her parents, her husband John M. Callanan and her brother Thomas Kalteux.

Betty Ann grew up in Schenectady, NY and spent her summers at Brant Lake, NY in the Adirondack Mountains. She was a proud graduate of Nott Terrace High School and a 1955 French major and graduate of Skidmore College. From there, she moved to New York City to work for International General Electric (GE) and returned to Schenectady to work for the Knolls Atomic Research Lab and to teach elementary school. She married John Callanan from Malden, MA in 1958. With his partnership, she raised three children who had the joy of her parenting, devotion, creativity, sense of fun, impeccable manners, and quick wit.

B.A. and John lived in a succession of locations with John's GE career moves including: Schenectady, Binghamton, and Clifton Park, NY, Wellesley and Hamilton, MA; and Hampton, NH where they retired and lived for 22 years. Most recently, Betty Ann lived in Burlington, MA at Atria Longmeadow Place, and her family is grateful for the care she received at Atria.

There will be no visiting hours. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 11 AM on Friday, August 13, 2021 at Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Church, 289 Lafayette Rd., Hampton where B.A. was previously an engaged parishioner. Burial will follow in the High Street Cemetery, Hampton. All friends and family are invited to join the family after the Mass for lunch to celebrate BA's life. In lieu of flowers (because there are no visiting hours), the family suggests memorial donations to the Lahey Hospital and Medical Center (<https://giving.laheyhealth.org>)

Click here to watch Betty's Mass (<https://olmmparish.org/home/live-streaming/>) live-streamed.

# Previous Events

## Funeral Mass

AUG 13. 11:00 AM (ET)

Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Church  
289 Lafayette Road  
Hampton, NH

# Tribute Wall

PC

“ *I just learned of Betty Ann’s passing in the Saint John the Evangelist Church Bulletin. How wonderfully kind both your parents were, We were always happy to spend time with them when they were back in Schenectady. Please accept our deepest sympathies and know that we share your loss. I will be attending the Mass honoring your Mom next Sunday.*  
*With our condolences,*  
*Patricia Moffett Chakas and Family*

Patricia Chakas - September 20, 2021 at 01:05 AM

TO

“ *1 file added to the album Betty Ann Callanan Video Slideshow*



Terry O'Callaghan - August 15, 2021 at 02:54 PM



“ *So sorry for the loss of your lovely mom. May special memories of her help carry you through this tough time. Sending prayers, hugs and much love,*  
*Peggy Pardee*

Peggy Pardee - August 12, 2021 at 07:36 PM

RY

“ *we know Betty must have been a lovely person because we know Liz. Liz, our thoughts with you and hutch and the girls and your family.. the ground shifts, everything changes, but one things stays the same, you were loved and you will always love. .*

*Robin Young*  
*Laury Hammel*

robin young - August 12, 2021 at 04:05 PM

TN

“ *So sorry to hear this news of your loss. Betty, and John as well, were very special. During their time in Hampton, they made it a better place to live in.*

The Workmans - Jim, Maureen & Nicole - August 12, 2021 at 08:36 AM



“ Sorry for your loss Betty & John were both very nice people

Rusty Bridle - August 11, 2021 at 01:51 PM

MD

Mrs. C made the world a better place by her presence. She lived not for riches, but to enrich the lives of others, especially the lives of her children Liz, Theresa and Michael. The memory of her will provide a blueprint that a life is not important except in the impact it has on other lives. There were many who felt the impact of her love and compassion. This impact and memory will live long through the generations. This is a famous poem given to me when my Mom passed away and it gave me great comfort. I can only hope and pray it will bring the same for Liz, Theresa and Michael. Love to you all, Mark

*Gone From My Sight*

*I am standing upon the seashore. A ship, at my side,  
spreads her white sails to the moving breeze and starts  
for the blue ocean. She is an object of beauty and strength.  
I stand and watch her until, at length, she hangs like a speck  
of white cloud just where the sea and sky come to mingle with each other.  
Then, someone at my side says, "There, she is gone."*

*Gone where?*

*Gone from my sight. That is all. She is just as large in mast,  
hull and spar as she was when she left my side.  
And, she is just as able to bear her load of living freight to her destined port.*

*Her diminished size is in me -- not in her.*

*And, just at the moment when someone says, "There, she is gone,"  
there are other eyes watching her coming, and other voices  
ready to take up the glad shout, "Here she comes!"*

Mark Duffield - August 11, 2021 at 04:08 PM

BE

*I met Betty a LONG time ago when she worked at seacoast science center. I remember her being so nice and lovely to talk to. May your memories bring you great comfort. B. Eldon*

Beatrice - August 12, 2021 at 11:45 AM

SI

*Knowing you, Liz, Betty was a wonderful mother. Please know you are in my thoughts today as the funeral takes place. Hugs to you and the family. - Simonne*

Simonne - August 13, 2021 at 11:35 AM

LS

*Callanan family - our Skidmore moms are dearly missed!*

*xoxo, Loren*

Loren S - August 17, 2021 at 02:52 PM



*Sorry for your loss, Betty an john were great neighbors and friends. We miss them dearly.*

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**Steven Henderson** - August 26, 2021 at 01:41 PM