



Anne M. Ferreira

July 27, 1939 - August 8, 2023

Hampton Falls - Anne Marie (Archambault) Ferreira, 84, passed away on August 8, 2023, surrounded by family at Webster at Rye from complications after a fall. She was born in Haverhill, MA, the daughter of the late Arthur and Helen (Melody) Archambault. She graduated from St. James High School, class of 1956. She later graduated from Salem Teachers College with a B.A. in English in June of 1960 and married Francis J. (Frank) Ferreira three weeks later. They were married for 59 years before Frank's death in 2019.

Anne taught seventh-grade English at Seabrook Elementary for a year before becoming a mother. She later received her library degree from UNH. She was the library director for the Hampton Falls Free Library for many years starting in 1969, and then was the children's librarian in Seabrook, first at the Brown Library and then its replacement, the Seabrook Library, from 1986 until her "official" retirement in 2004, though she continued to work for the library part-time until she was 80. She began a story hour program that expanded through the years, reading to successive generations of children. She frequently ran into former "story hour kids" when she was out and about.

Apropos of her occupation, she was a voracious reader. Reading was her favorite past-time and books her favorite gift to her granddaughters. She was a caring woman who gave generously of her time throughout her life to many elderly neighbors and family members and volunteered for many

organizations. She and Frank loved spending time with their granddaughters and went to Maine often to be with them. She enjoyed science fiction, Star Trek, poetry, singing, the beach, attending plays and concerts with Frank, weekends with her daughters, and getting together with family and friends of which she had many. She was a founding member of The Seabrook Old-Time Radio Players and was an active volunteer at the Historical Society of Seabrook at the time of her death.

Anne is survived by her daughters, Cathrina Skov and her husband Valdemar of Waldoboro, Maine, and Gretchen Ferreira of Thomaston, Maine; granddaughters Brynna Skov and Jessica Aidan Parmenter and her husband Austin; great-granddaughters Stephanie, Olivia, and Jasmin Parmenter; sister Mary Enright, and many nieces and nephews. She is predeceased by her husband Frank, her son Jonathan, and siblings Claire Archambault, Arthur Archambault, Margaret Sullivan, and John Archambault.

There will be an open celebration of Anne's life on Sunday, September 17, at 1:00 PM at the Seabrook Library, 25 Liberty Lane, Seabrook, NH. She will be laid to rest privately in Brookside Cemetery in Hampton Falls.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

SEP **17**. 1:00 PM (ET)

Seabrook Library
25 Liberty Lane
Seabrook, NH 03874

Tribute Wall

SM

“ Anne was a wonderful librarian, so much passion for the job that she loved. She was also a great mentor to up and coming librarians. I was lucky to have known her. My best wishes and comfort to the family. Susan MacDonald retired librarian from Weeks Public Library Greenland, N.H.

Susan O. MacDonald - August 30, 2023 at 11:38 PM

DP

“ Both of my children (and I) had the privilege of knowing Mrs F (as the kids called her). My son Jason won a bike at the library and still has the picture of the bike and them both in it. She was wonderful with all the children at the library and I do believe she had an impact on my kids , especially my daughters love of books and reading. Rest in peace, you will be missed.

Diane Pineo - August 30, 2023 at 06:30 PM

PB

“ I just learned of Anne's passing - condolences to her family. I am one of her 7th-grade students at Seabrook Elementary. When I met her after all those years at the library, I called her Mrs. Ferreira and did so until the time she said, [paraphrasing] "Paul, I'm not that much older than you". From then on she was Anne. Sleep well, Anne.

Paul Bradley - August 26, 2023 at 11:53 AM

PB

“ *Paul Bradley lit a candle in memory of Anne M. Ferreira*



Paul Bradley - August 26, 2023 at 11:38 AM

AB

“ *I just now heard of Ann's passing to her Reward. She, Frank, and I were college classmates back at Salem State Teachers College and continued our friendship along with my wife, Sandy, throughout their lives. Ann and I were classmates in Mrs. Burnham's class on Shakespear there, and I remember her advising that I should join the Book Lovers' Club which Mrs. Burnam hosted, as it couldn't help but "benefit" me when grading time came. She was always insightful!*

Albert Skip Belanger - August 25, 2023 at 09:47 AM

SA

“ Anne Ferreira was a force to be reckoned with, even in the early days of her librarianship. She was a solid part of the Seacoast Area Libraries Group and took the Public Library Techniques classes provided by the state (later Granite State College). I spent many hours shelving with her in the “Last Copy Collection” found in the court building in Portsmouth. (Whoever thought all those books would be available for on-demand printing later?) And as a CHILIS member? She was a solid advocate for every child, her town’s or not. I, for one, will be sending a donation to the Seabrook Library in her memory. I will ask them to be sure to pick “good” (with a little slant to the head and an assertion that we would know EXACTLY what she meant) books with that money. Goodbye, Anne. Thanks for the memories and the love. Susan Ahearn, former Librarian at Weeks Public Library, Greenland.

Susan Ahearn - August 25, 2023 at 06:58 AM

PD

“ Ann was a ray of sunshine at our CHILIS (Children's Librarians of NH) meetings - especially the monthly Seacoast Librarians Meetings. She certainly livened things up! I will always be grateful for her generous nature in sharing programming ideas in the early years of my librarianship. Storytimes and NH summer reading programs were successful in large part because of her guidance. Thank you, Ann. Your light still shines in the library world. My condolences to family and friends, Phyllis L. Danko, former Children's Librarian at Wiggin Memorial Library, Stratham, NH.

Phyllis Danko - August 23, 2023 at 05:49 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Anne M. Ferreira.*



August 23, 2023 at 08:58 AM

 Joe Poirier

“ *She was a special Person. Many Children in Seabrook learned how to read books 📖 in school. However Mrs.F was the best! Her story hour was always great. Especially on Halloween and Christmas when she'd read spooky stories and Christmas stories. Godspeed. My Condolences 🌸.*

Joe Poirier - August 22, 2023 at 07:24 PM

RL

“ *Roseanne Lago lit a candle in memory of Anne M. Ferreira*



Roseanne Lago - August 21, 2023 at 08:15 AM

JO

“ *Mrs Ferreira was the sweetest woman. I took my daughter to her reading group at the Seabrook Library from the time she was 2 years old. To this day she loves reading and going to book stores, all attributed to Mrs Ferreira. Every time I ran into her she always asked how Jamie was doing, and was so happy to hear when she became a nurse. Rest peacefully.*

Jo OBrien - August 19, 2023 at 10:03 PM

KI

“ Mrs. Ferreira was such a beautiful person! She was so sweet and my family has such great memories of her at the Seabrook library. My girls went to her story time for many years. She had so much patience with the children and they always loved going to the library to hear her read and make some fun craft/activity with her. She was so kind and we thank her for so many great memories.

Kim - August 19, 2023 at 08:16 PM

KL

“ Anne was a dear lady and a fantastic children's librarian. She was a large part of my son's childhood at the old site of the Seabrook Library where her imagination and patience fueled many a child's love of reading. She was the reason I wanted to devote some of my time to the Library when I retired from work. Many fond memories of working with her during Book Sales and flower sales in the early years. She was kind enough to keep in touch after her own retirement, and I was blessed to be her friend. RIP, Anne.
Karen Luxton
Coworker

Karen Luxton - August 19, 2023 at 08:15 PM

NH

“ I remember Ann very well. i grew up in Hampton Falls and Frank and Ann were a special part of our little town. Ann was a huge part of my childrens early days of reading and promoting reading. My dad and Ann would often exchange books they had read and we would always,see Ann and Frank around town. She will always hold a special place in our families hearts. She was a treasure.

Nancy Janvrin Haskell - August 19, 2023 at 04:00 PM

ML

“ Anne was such a big part of my girls lives growing up. Everyday after school, they went to the old library and she would mentor them on good books to read. Years later when Karin brought her boys into the new library..she remembered her and they had a little reunion. She was a treasure to the library and town, and was an angel on earth and now has her wings! 💔 RIP

Mickey Locke - August 19, 2023 at 11:44 AM

EM

“ Thank you Mrs. Ferreira for all you brought to our community, to all of our children, and to all of us parents as well. You were great at your job, but you were also a wonderful friend to many of us. I can't think of the Seabrook Library without thinking of you. My prayers go out to Mrs. Ferreira family during this very difficult time. You touched many lives here in Seabrook over the years in so many different ways, now you will get your rewards which I am quite sure will be many, and you are deserving of each and every one of them. Gods Blessings To You, And All Of Those Who Loves You, Elizabeth Marshall Marquis



Elizabeth Marquis - August 18, 2023 at 06:56 PM

BM

“ I worked with Ann at seabrook greyhound park for several years I got to know both Ann and her husband Frank and used to do mowing / yard work for them . They were both wonderful people and they will greatly missed

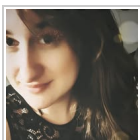
bg mawson - August 18, 2023 at 04:08 PM

BM

“ *Bg Mawson lit a candle in memory of Anne M. Ferreira*



bg mawson - August 18, 2023 at 04:03 PM



“ *My name is Laura. I worked on Ann's yard with my father. I had some nice conversations with her. She was very kind. She was supportive of me when I ran for library trustee and won. I enjoyed talking about libraries with her. We talked about tea and she gave me some blueberry tea bags. I will miss talking to her after doing yardwork. She was a wonderful person. I'm happy I had the chance to get to talk to her.*

Laura Barclay - August 18, 2023 at 03:17 PM

SR

“ *Sabie Randall lit a candle in memory of Anne M. Ferreira*



Sabie Randall - August 18, 2023 at 03:06 PM