



Clare F. Guzzi

July 18, 1924 - September 11, 2025

Rye- Clare F. Guzzi, 101, of Rye, passed away peacefully on Thursday, September 11, 2025. She was born in Winthrop, MA on July 18, 1924, to the late Christopher and Lillian (Smith) Kerwin. She was the beloved wife of the late John A Guzzi and sister to the late Marie McElaney and Lillian Villani.

Clare graduated from Marycliff Academy in Arlington, MA and Bryant and Stratton Business School in Boston, MA. Clare went on to work as a proofreader and productions manager for Heavy Production Publications in Boston, MA, where she retired after 25 years of service. In addition to her career in publications, Clare volunteered as a fundraiser for the American Cancer Society for over 20 years.

Clare loved the beach, and following their retirement in the 1960's, she and John, relocated from Boston, MA to Rye Beach. She was a longtime communicant of Corpus Christi Parish in Portsmouth. She enjoyed watching various sporting events and was an avid Red Sox fan. Clare loved taking long car rides with friends, reading, knitting, and cooking. Loved ones will remember her for viewing the world through "rose colored glasses" and enjoying her daily medicine - a Manhattan.

Surviving family members include her stepdaughters Nancy Guzzi and Virginia Travalini of Windermere, FL. She also leaves nieces Joan Roman and

Helen Nolan of MA, and her dear friend Bob Phair of Hampton.

Private services will be held at Mount Pleasant Cemetery, Arlington, MA. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the American Cancer Society by clicking following this link <https://www.cancer.org/involved/donate/memorial-giving.html> by mailing a check, made payable to American Cancer Society, P.O Box 6704, Hagerstown, MD 21741, or by calling directly at 1-800-227-2345.

Cemetery Details

Mount Pleasant Cemetery

70 Medford Street
Arlington, MA 02476

Tribute Wall

JU

“ Clare was a sweet, fun lady. We always laughed when we were with her.
May she rest in peace.

judy - March 19 at 08:07 AM

CA

“ I called her my Auntie Clare since I was little. She was a very dear lifelong friend of my mother's (Evelyn Bosworth) and we stayed in touch even after my Mom passed. Clare was affectionately a DOB (dear old broad) as she told me in her later years. She was witty and sharp as a tack and loved life. She also loved to write letters and Christmas cards with her beautiful penmanship. The world has lost a good one, even at 101. RIP Auntie Clare.

Carol - September 28, 2025 at 03:50 PM

PG

“ Clare was my friend when we worked at The American Cancer Society in West Palm Beach, FL. We remained in contact every year thru our Christmas card letters. So many wonderful memories and I continue to make her famous rum cake recipe every Christmas. What a beautiful lady and treasure - Rest in peace, Love Patty and Roger

PATRICIA GILLEN - September 23, 2025 at 08:36 PM

JR

“ Auntie Clare was my Mom’s oldest sister. She was always fun, and entertaining, loved a good party, and a good Manhattan. She took me to many Red Sox games, and taught me how to make crafts. She’s the only person I knew that lived to be 101 years old, but it didn’t surprise me. She was as sharp as a tack mentally. Rest in peace Auntie Clare.
Love,
Joan



Joan M Roman - September 17, 2025 at 07:35 PM

GD

“ Clare was a lovely lady. I will miss her and her beautiful smile. Rest in peace.

Gwen Devoe - September 17, 2025 at 01:02 PM