



Diana W. Riley

September 4, 1928 - August 30, 2015

Seabrook Beach - Diana Claire Wedel Riley of Ocean Boulevard, died August 30, 2015, at her home in Seabrook Beach, New Hampshire, following a lengthy illness. Mrs. Riley was born on September 4, 1928. She was the second of four children born to the late Helen Cleary and Paul John Wedel in Elizabeth, New Jersey. She was the sister of the late Paul G. Wedel, Peter J. Wedel, and Joan Wedel. She grew up in Maplewood, New Jersey, and later moved to Alexandria, Virginia. There she attended high school and earned her diploma early.

Diana was the beloved and devoted wife for 56 years of John (Jack) Joseph Riley, Jr., before he predeceased her in June 2007. Diana was a graduate of William and Mary College in Williamsburg, VA, where she met her husband. Before getting married, she worked for a period of time at the Pentagon. After starting as a receptionist, she was promoted to a photo interpreter. She and Jack enjoyed traveling around the country while he was in the service. They later moved back to New England, and raised their family in Lynnfield, MA, where they enjoyed many long-term friendships.

Diana and her husband were especially fond of the coast. Since they were a young couple, they looked forward to spending every summer with their four children and pets at their beach house in New Hampshire. Later on, Diana also looked forward to winters in Singer Island, FL, in the company of family

and numerous friends.

Diana is survived by her daughter and son-in-law, Helen D. Riley and Kevin R. Nicholson of Beverly, MA; her daughter and son-in-law, Ann C. and Greg J. Schaldenbrand of Irmo, S.C.; her son, John J. Riley, III, of Amesbury, MA; and her youngest son, Peter A. Riley, of Seabrook Beach, NH. She has five grandchildren: Eleanor Riley Fulmer, Rose Corinne Murray, Isaac Caleb Cushing, Anna Elizabeth Schaldenbrand, and Owen Patrick Riley. As well, Diana has ten great grandchildren, all of whom are in South Carolina: Katie, Trey, Riley, Avery, and Ellie Fulmer; Jesse and Corinne Murray; and Caleb, Isabella, and Julian Cushing.

She is the sister-in-law of Jean M. Wedel of PA; and of Vergie K. Wedel of TN. She was also the loving and close sister-in-law of the late Nancy (Riley) Walsh and Richard L. Walsh, Jr. of RI. Diana is the aunt of Richard L. Walsh, III, of RI; John J. Walsh of MA; James P. Walsh of MA; Dana L. Wedel of CA; Laurie A. Wedel of PA; Paul J. Wedel of CA; Kurt F. Wedel of CA; Peter J. Wedel of GA; Mark E. Wedel of TN; and Sheri D. Wedel of TN. She is also survived by many loving great nieces and nephews.

Visiting hours will be held from 6 to 8 PM on Thursday, September 3, 2015 in the Remick & Gendron Funeral Home, 811 Lafayette Road, Hampton, NH. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 11 AM on Friday, September 4, 2015 at St. Maria Goretti's Parish, 112 Chestnut St., Lynnfield, MA, Burial will immediately follow in the Forest Hill Cemetery, Lynnfield, MA. In lieu of flowers, donations to St. Maria Goretti's Parish in Lynnfield would be appreciated.

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 3. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Remick & Gendron Funeral Home - Crematory
811 Lafayette Road ·
Hampton, NH 03842
(603) 926-6500
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Funeral Mass

SEP 4. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Maria Goretti Church
112 Chestnut Street
Lynnfield, MA 01940

Tribute Wall



“ *Diana W. Riley*

September 18, 2022 at 12:49 AM



“ *Sending much love and comfort to John and the rest of the family. Just heard the news today. So sorry to have missed the service.*

Sincerely, Jane Andrews

Jane Andrews - September 06, 2015 at 05:24 PM



“ *Summer's Light Bouquet was purchased for the family of Diana W. Riley.*



September 03, 2015 at 08:24 PM



“ *Peter & Family,*

I was heartbroken to hear of Diana's passing. I wish we could have been there to support you. Diana was always so kind to me. Our prayers are with you all.

*Love,
Peter, Lisa and Ethan O'Keefe*

Peter O'Keefe - September 03, 2015 at 07:01 PM



“ 83 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Remick & Gendron Funeral Home - September 02, 2015 at 12:57 PM

MR

“ Dear Helen, John and Peter,

My girl friend Tina and I along with the rest of my family send our condolences to you all. Your mother.... and father were wonderful people. They will be missed.

*Mark Reed
Lynnfield, MA*

Mark Reed - September 01, 2015 at 07:49 PM

RH

“ River House purchased the *Beautiful in Blue* for the family of Diana W. Riley.



River House - September 01, 2015 at 02:31 PM

TF

“ *The Mann and Patten families. purchased the Treasured Lilies Spray for the family of Diana W. Riley.*



The Mann and Patten families. - September 01, 2015 at 01:49 PM

LM

“ *Peter, my first memory of your mom was collecting sea glass with her on the beach. Such a lovely woman. I'm so glad I got to know her. Hugs to you and Owen. - Lucie Mann*

Lucie Mann - September 01, 2015 at 12:52 PM

PW

“ *Our Sincere Condolences to the Riley Family.
Thoughts and Prayers are with you in your time of sorrow.
With Love,
Joan & Peter Wedel*

Peter and Joan Wedel - September 01, 2015 at 10:47 AM