



## Natalie Ann Purington

May 29, 1960 - March 1, 2025

We are profoundly saddened to announce the loss of our beloved Natalie Ann (Bricher) Purington, otherwise known as Lovey. Natalie passed away peacefully on Saturday, March 1st surrounded by her family at her home in Rye, NH.

Natalie was born on May 29th, 1960 in Erie, PA to her late parents Joseph and Clara Bricher. Being one of six children, she was accustomed to and loved a busy home. She was a social butterfly from an early age, always surrounded by siblings and friends, and had a magnetic personality that drew those to her. Natalie and her family moved to Winthrop, Maine in 1972 where she graduated from Winthrop High School. A few years later, Natalie met her soon to be husband, Ted, who she let court and chase her down before agreeing to go on a date. The two fell head over heels and were married a year later on June 25th, 1982. Natalie and Ted then moved to Bedford, NH to start a family of their own. The two made the decision for Natalie to stay at home and be a full-time mom. This was one of Natalie's most prized and successful roles. She was extremely nurturing, loving, warm, and hands on. She was more than just an incredible mom to her own children, she became a second mother to numerous others. She was considerate, generous, thoughtful and kind to many beyond her immediate beloved family. She proudly dubbed herself "a big kid". She loved to play with her children; jumping on the trampoline, drawing with chalk, doing wheelbarrow races down

the driveway with whatever could be found or devised with wheels. Once her children left home, Natalie broadened her passion for kids and became a volunteer Court Appointed Special Advocate for children (CASA NH and Florida Guardian ad Litem). She selflessly and diligently helped to advocate for at-risk children to be placed in safe and loving homes.

Natalie was an avid New England sports' fan. She attended dozens of Red Sox games and a few highly memorable Patriots games. Beyond her love of family and sporting events, she enjoyed hosting friends, celebrating sunsets and caring for her many outdoor decorative plants and flowers.

Natalie was predeceased by her mother and father, sister Elizabeth Ann, and brother Peter Bricher.

Natalie is survived by her husband Theodore Purington, Jr. of 42 years and their children: Theodore Purington III and wife Jennifer with daughter Sienna of Parkland, FL; Kristianna Robertson and husband Michael with daughter Isla of Seabrook, NH; and Gabrielle Purington of Rye, NH; sisters: Cindy and her husband Ted Grassi Jr. of Port St Lucie, FL, Mary and her husband Bob Borg of Bohemia, NY, Christine and her husband Bob Merrill of Austin, TX, and brother Joe Bricher and his wife Sue of Erie, PA, as well as her many loved nieces and nephews.

Family and friends are respectfully invited to attend Natalie's funeral mass at St. Elizabeth Seton Church at 190 Meetinghouse Rd, Bedford, NH on Tuesday, March 11th at 11:00 AM.

To attend Natalie's funeral remotely, please click here on the day and time of the Mass. (<https://stelizabethsetonchurch.org/>)

In lieu of flowers, we are asking for donations to CASA NH or Guardian ad Litem in SW Florida in Natalie's honor. Links to the websites can be found

below.

Volunteer for NH Children - CASA of New Hampshire ([https://casanh.org/volunteer-for-nh-children/?gad\\_source=1](https://casanh.org/volunteer-for-nh-children/?gad_source=1))

CASA of NH

PO Box 1327

Manchester NH 03105

Phone: 800-626-0622

Email: [speakup@casanh.org](mailto:speakup@casanh.org)

Florida Guardian ad Litem Office | Child welfare advocates protecting the rights of children. (<https://guardianadlitem.org/>)

Florida Guardian ad Litem Foundation

P.O. Box 10688

Tallahassee, FL 32302

Phone: 850-922-7213

Email: [info@guardianadlitem.org](mailto:info@guardianadlitem.org)

# Previous Events

## Funeral Mass

MAR 11. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

St. Elizabeth Seton Church  
190 Meetinghouse Road  
Bedford, NH 03110

# Tribute Wall



“ *Remick & Gendron Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Natalie Ann Purington*



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**Remick & Gendron Funeral Home** - March 09, 2025 at 01:01 PM

LP

“ *Dear Mary,*

*We are so very sorry for your loss. Our condolences to your family.  
Love Uncle Frank and Lori Putnam*

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**lori putnam** - March 11, 2025 at 10:43 AM

LP

“ *Lori P. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Natalie Ann Purington.*

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**Lori P.** - March 11, 2025 at 10:39 AM

FK

“ *Fred K. planted a grove of 5 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Natalie Ann Purington.*

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**Fred K.** - March 11, 2025 at 09:16 AM

JK

“ JK and I will never forget the wonderful times spent with Natalie and The Purington Family at the lake, MCC, and Naples. Thinking of you all today and everyday, Nat is watching over us all ~ Know that Her Light and Laugh Continues.



Judy and John Kelly - March 11, 2025 at 09:12 AM

JM

“ Judith M. planted a grove of 5 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Natalie Ann Purington.

Judith M. - March 11, 2025 at 09:05 AM

KA

“ Karen & John Allard purchased the Dreams From the Heart Bouquet for the family of Natalie Ann Purington.



Karen & John Allard - March 10, 2025 at 02:45 PM

LO

“ Love, Pam and Dan O'Shaughnessy planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Natalie Ann Purington.

Love, Pam and Dan O'Shaughnessy - March 10, 2025 at 11:42 AM

LO

“ Love, Pam and Dan O’Shaughnessy purchased the Gracious Lavender Basket for the family of Natalie Ann Purington.



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**Love, Pam and Dan O’Shaughnessy** - March 10, 2025 at 11:42 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Natalie Ann Purington.

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March 09, 2025 at 07:57 PM



“ Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Natalie Ann Purington.



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March 09, 2025 at 07:57 PM

EF

“ Erin Lane Ladd and Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Natalie Ann Purington.

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**Erin Lane Ladd and Family** - March 09, 2025 at 01:15 PM

EF

“ Erin Lane Ladd and Family purchased the Pink P  
otpourri Bouquet for the family of Natalie Ann  
Purington.



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**Erin Lane Ladd and Family** - March 09, 2025 at 01:15 PM

HM

“ Natalie was the mother of my field hockey super star Kristi whom I  
coached at Mckelvie school. She graciously hosted parties for the  
girls at her lovely home. I will never forget her kindness about 15  
years ago when she overheard Larry and I talking at the club about  
upcoming thanksgiving and how hard it was going to be alone for  
the first time. She came over and announced..”no you won’t! You’re  
coming to our house!” We had the most wonderful day! I will never  
forget her huge hugs, constant smile, and the love she brought to  
everyone who was lucky enough to know her!  
So saddened for all her family. With heartfelt condolences, Hilary  
Meyers

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**Hilary Meyers** - March 07, 2025 at 03:25 PM

FH

“ Fran Hanley purchased the Beautiful in Blue for  
the family of Natalie Ann Purington.



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**Fran Hanley** - March 06, 2025 at 09:25 PM

MB

“ So sorry to hear about Nat. It is always sad when loved ones leave too soon.

*As a young boy, I remember spending countless hours playing together at the family home in Erie. Mom and Dad ( Aunt Alice and Uncle Don) were always sitting with Uncle Joe and Aunt Clara at the big kitchen table. We were always raising havoc somewhere else in the house.*

*I also cherish the great memories of having everyone at our family home in Greenville.*

*Thinking of everyone at this time.*

*Love*

*Little Markie Baskin*

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**Mark Baskin** - March 06, 2025 at 12:47 PM

EH

“ We are so sorry to hear of Natalie’s passing, she was a beautiful person, sweet, funny and kind, she loved her family and friends so much. Heartbroken for all of you. Betsy and Sam Heald

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**elizabeth Heald** - March 06, 2025 at 07:56 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Natalie Ann Purington.

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March 05, 2025 at 05:45 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Natalie Ann Purington.



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March 05, 2025 at 05:45 PM

VS

“ Natalie was a sweetheart inside and out...I reached out to her several months ago to see how she was...she said she was fighting like hell!!! She really did not want to give up..God bless her!

Veronica Snow - March 05, 2025 at 04:55 PM

FC

“ Theo, I am very saddened to hear of your mom's passing. She and your whole family are very special to me. I wish I could attend her funeral to see you all in your time of grief. I now longer live in New Hampshire. Ron and I have moved to Beaufort South Carolina. We finally moved to be next to my daughter. But I will be there in spirit. Please take care and I am thinking of you all. Faith❤️

Faith Cushing - March 05, 2025 at 01:41 PM

MR

“ Our hearts are broken... Natalie was one of the kindest, silliest, craziest and sincerely amazing women I've ever met. She forever owns a special place in my heart! Rest in peace my friend, we've got your family! Every time I see a brilliant blue sky, I'll know it's you, our special angel, smiling down! I adore you Lovey, always and forever!! Sending peace, love and prayers for comfort and strength to Ted, Theo, Kiki & Gabs and all the family! 💔🙏

Missy & Sam Ruddy - March 05, 2025 at 10:01 AM

TP

“ Timothy Purington, Nate Purington planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Natalie Ann Purington.

Timothy Purington, Nate Purington - March 05, 2025 at 09:55 AM

TP

“ Timothy Purington, Nate Purington purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Natalie Ann Purington.



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**Timothy Purington, Nate Purington** - March 05, 2025 at 09:55 AM



“ Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Natalie Ann Purington.



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March 05, 2025 at 09:30 AM