



Ann Eileen Kleine-Kracht (Winebrenner)

April 14, 1940 - September 30, 2019

Ann E. Kleine-Kracht, 79, went to be with her Lord on Monday, September 30, 2019. Ann was born on April 14, 1940 to Eileen A. and Earl G. Winebrenner, Sr. in Louisville, KY.

Ann loved to learn and relished new adventures. She was a proud graduate of Presentation Academy, Spalding University (BS), University of Louisville (MA), and Indiana University (PhD).

Ann was the founding Dean of the Lansing School of Nursing at Bellarmine College. It was during her 17 years there that she felt she made an impact on nursing, guiding the design of programs to meet the needs of the working RN and those nurses living in Appalachia and other outlying areas of Kentucky and surrounding states. She traveled many miles establishing and teaching in the "Outreach Program". She was also an International Public Speaker/Humorist and a family therapist.

Ann was active in many organizations over her lifetime, but most recently was an active member of St. Agnes Catholic Parish, Bellarmine University Women's Council, the Lambda Psi chapter of Sigma International, and National Speaker's Association. She was also proud to have chaired the Presentation Board of Trustees. Ann had a beautiful spirit and a deep and everlasting love for God, her husband, and her family, which gave her the strength behind her laugh and ever-present sense of humor.

Those left to cherish her memory and life are her son Paul, Jr. (Jean) Kleine-Kracht, daughters Eileen Foote (Kevin) and Theresa Canaday (Shawn), grandchildren (whom she adored) Paul III (Miriam) and Sara Kleine-Kracht, Jacob Foote, and Nicholas and Ella Canaday, brother David Winebrenner (Shirley), sisters Kathy DeMar (Joe) and Elizabeth Clines (Tom), and many nephews and nieces she loved as her own children.

She was preceded in death by her loving husband of 28 years, Paul B. Kleine-Kracht, Sr. on September 28, 1990, her brother, Earl G. Winebrenner, Jr. and her parents.

She has touched many people and will be missed by all. Visitation will be from 1-7 p.m. on Sunday, October 6th at Ratterman & Sons Funeral Home, 3800 Bardstown Road. The funeral Mass will be 10:00 a.m. Monday, October 7, 2019 at St. Agnes Catholic Church, 1920 Newburg Road.

In lieu of flowers, expressions of sympathy may be made to the Ann E. Kleine-Kracht Nursing Award through the Lambda Psi chapter of Sigma International or the Anchal Project.

Events

OCT **Visitation** 01:00PM - 07:00PM

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Ratterman & Sons Funeral Home - Bardstown Road
3800 Bardstown Road, Louisville, KY, US, 40218

OCT **Funeral Mass** 10:00AM

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St. Agnes Catholic Church
1920 Newburg Road, Louisville, KY, US

Comments



“ I only met Ann a few times, but her demeanor would leave a lasting impression wherever she went. The memorial picture is perfect. I can just see her turning her head that way as she asked you a question. Her personality evoked enthusiasm and encouraged others to be their best. Paul and Jean, please know that you and all of your family are in my prayers as you navigate the difficult days ahead.

Lisa Abby Palmer - October 22, 2019 at 06:09 AM



“ I had my first child during my 2nd year of Nursing school at Bellarmine.(1988) When he was one week old, I brought him to class with me. He slept the entire class. The next week he was fussy, and I had to take him out to the Lobby. Dean Kleine-Kracht came by and asked about him. When she found out that I was missing class she said "go back to class, I will watch him". She took him to her office and rocked him in her swivel desk chair until class was over. I was grateful and also amused. It was quite a picture. I have told the story many times when telling prospective nursing students about my days at Bellarmine. RIP Ann. You will be missed. Deepest condolences to the family.

Lindsay Bilyeu - October 07, 2019 at 10:00 AM



“ Ann and I had a veryspecial relationship for many years friend,confidant, fellow nurses but mostly good friends .I am sorry to loose her but for a better life it is less painful.
My condolences to Paul and the family on her loss. Rick and Barbara Penick

Rick and Barbara Penick - October 05, 2019 at 09:22 PM



“ The world has lost a bright light and a lady with a great sense of humor. Ann taught me in the RN-BSN program at Bellarmine. She became a friend and a mentor who left a lasting impression upon my life. My condolences to her family especially those grandchildren who she loved so very much!

Jane Hollowell Mattox



Jane Hollowell - October 05, 2019 at 08:14 PM



“ My condolences, Paul, Eileen, and Teresa. Your Mom was a very special lady. She taught me at University of Louisville School of Nursing and later hired me to teach at Bellarmine. We travelled many miles together in the Outreach Program. We worked, laughed, and shared many experiences together. She touched many lives and made such an impact on the nursing profession. She will be missed. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you!

Chris L. Algren
Atlanta, Georgia

Chris Algren - October 05, 2019 at 09:39 AM



“ Hope all is well with you. Rick & Barbara Penick

Rick and Barbara Penick - October 05, 2019 at 09:23 PM



“ We are doing well. Retired, of course, and living in an Atlanta suburb near our daughter. Where are the 2 of you? Rick, remember when Ann supervised us going to the Jefferson County jail???

Chris Algren - October 07, 2019 at 09:40 AM



“ My sister Ann was a loving sister, she was always there for us. She will be sadly missed, she always had wonderful humor about her. She was a very caring to so many people. We will miss her , love you Ann!

Joe And Kathy

Kathy DeMar - October 04, 2019 at 09:34 PM



“ My condolences to the family and friends of Ms Kleine-Kracht.

Donald Hensley

Donald Hensley - October 04, 2019 at 09:04 AM