



Anna May Downing

May 9, 1935 - May 20, 2015

Anna May Downing, nee Murphy, 80, passed away on Wednesday, May 20, 2015 at Advocate Condell Medical Center in Libertyville. She was born May 9, 1935 in Chicago, was a former 46 year resident of Libertyville, living at Saddlebrook Farms in Grayslake the past 2 years. She was a graduate of St. Peter Canisius Grade School and a 1953 graduate of Austin High School in Chicago. She was a former member of St. Joseph Parish in Libertyville and recently St. Gilbert Church in Grayslake. She was also a former employee of Lake County Court Services. Anna May, a devout catholic, was proud of her Irish heritage and her Chicago roots, but her greatest joy in life was raising her family and adoring her grandchildren.

Surviving are her husband of 58 years, Russell J. Downing; 8 children, Maureen (Michael) Radke, John Downing, Kevin (Patti) Downing, Dan Downing, Ed (Elena) Downing, Joe (Michelle) Downing, Colleen (Greg) Russ and Eileen (John) Hoch; 21 Grandchildren; 2 sisters, Sr. Mary Bridget Murphy, S.N.D., Elizabeth Moore and sister-in-law Kathy Murphy-Macy.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Joseph L. Murphy (CFD) and Bridget (nee King) Murphy, her sister Helen A. Krepelka and brothers, Joseph J. Murphy (CPD), ISCM Richard J. Murphy, USN Ret. and Edward R. Murphy. Visitation will be from 3 to 9 pm Tues. May 26 at the Burnett-Dane Funeral Home, 120 W. Park Ave. (Rt. 176, one block west of Milwaukee Ave.) Libertyville. Prayers will begin at noon Wed. May 27 at the funeral home followed by funeral mass at 12:30 pm at St. Joseph Church, 121 E. Maple,

Libertyville. Interment will follow at Ascension Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, please make donations for masses in Ann's memory. Info: 847-362-3009 or please sign the guest book at www.burnettdane.com.

Tribute Wall

RO

“ Anna May Downing was a very dear friend. We shared many nice memories together. I will miss her a lot but know she is with God and no longer suffering. I wish to offer my deepest sympathy to her husband, children, grandchildren, sisters, in-laws and friends. Anne I love you. rest in peace my good friend. Love always Marianne Miller

robert.miller3@sbcglobal.net - June 29, 2018 at 01:05 PM

VK

“ My heart goes out to the entire Downing family. Anna's love and devotion to her family was admired by so many. I still picture her smile and hear her voice which brings such joyful memories. May you rest in peace sweet Anna and may the many memories bring peace and comfort to all.

Veronica Kennedy - June 29, 2018 at 01:05 PM

~C

“ Heartfelt and prayerful condolences from the Chicago Police Chaplains. Anna will be remembered at the Police Mass on Sunday, 24 MAY, 11:00 a.m. at Mercy Home - 1140 W. Jackson Blvd. In the meantime, may family and friends know the healing touch of our all-loving, all-merciful God! [Police Chaplains Ministry: or 312/738-7588]

~ ~ Fr. Dan Brandt, CPD Chaplain - June 29, 2018 at 01:05 PM

DH

“ The Notre Dame High School Class of '65 sends comfort and love to Anna's entire family during this very difficult passage. Our connection is through Sr. Mary Bridget Murphy, Anna's sister. It was clear that prayer from family and a wide circle of friends was an integral part of all of the medical attention that Anna had received over time. We now come together as she takes her place in God's perfect plan, made ready for her. RIP, Anna; blessings of comfort and solace to all the family. May each one hold fast to the promise of ultimate reunion. St. Julie Billiart, please be an intervening presence to all in those special ways we know are yours.

Diane Hudyka - June 29, 2018 at 01:05 PM

MH

“ Anna May and I have been friends since we met at Austin High School. I will miss her greatly. I wish I could be at her service, but I am in the hospital in Elgin. My thoughts and prayers are with her family. Mary Lou Hake

Mary Lou Hake - April 27, 2018 at 05:26 AM

DF

“ Dear Eileen, Colleen, and the Downing Family - your mother was such a sweet, sweet woman, and her goodness was clearly manifested in the wonderful nature of her children. May God bless you and comfort you (John 14:1-4) - Doug and Angie Feldmann

Doug and Angie Feldmann - April 27, 2018 at 05:26 AM

DF

“ We wanted to add... we will have a mass at our church (St. Joseph's in Crescent Springs, KY) in her memory, and will send you the details when finalized. Love, Doug and Angie

Doug and Angie Feldmann - April 27, 2018 at 05:26 AM

RV

“ To all the drownings, Our deepest sympathies Anne was a special person to so many.. She will be missed by many. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all.

Robert Vogen - April 27, 2018 at 05:26 AM

TV

“ Anna May Downing

The Vogen's - April 27, 2018 at 05:26 AM

BK

“ Your mother was such a warm, wonderful person, and we feel grateful to call her our friend.
I know she touched the life of everyone she met.
Her spirit lives on in each of us!

Brenda Koesling - April 27, 2018 at 05:26 AM

ND

“ I enjoyed working with Ann at Lake County Court Services. I considered Ann a good friend. We retired within a year of each other but we still got together for lunch a few times a year. I saw her home at Saddlebrook and how she loved it. I'll miss her.

Nancy Dolence

Nancy Dolence - April 27, 2018 at 05:26 AM

VC

“ Our deepest sympathy to the Downing Family during this difficult time. We will surely miss Annalways with a smile on her face. You were all blessed to have her in your life. God rest her soul.

Vicki & Peter Chioles - April 27, 2018 at 05:26 AM

GP

“ My deepest condolences to the Downing Family. I am truly sadden to learn of Ann's passing just this morning. She was one of my supervisors when I worked for Court Services at Lake County Adult Probation. She and her daughter Eileen were always kind to me. I am so sorry for your loss.

Gwendolyn Perkins - April 27, 2018 at 05:26 AM

EJ

“ I AM SO SORRY TO HEAR ABOUT YOUR DEAR SISTER. I HAVE LOST 2 SISTERS SO I FEEL YOUR LOSS. KNOW THAT MY THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS ARE WITH YOU.

EVELYN(GRUSZKA) JACHIM - May 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM