



Margaret W. Canale

May 18, 2020

Margaret W. Canale, of Chevy Chase, Maryland passed away peacefully at home on May 18, 2020. She was born in Jewell, Kansas, the daughter of Fred and Georgiana Welstead Dunham on January 18, 1925.

Margaret attended Kansas State University where she met her future husband, Francis X. Canale. They were married on September 7, 1944 at Fort Reilly, Kansas. After WWII they moved to Brooklyn, NY and then to Long Island where they raised 7 children.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, brothers Alf and Roy Dunham and sister, Olivia Pennington and son-in-law Randall Bruch.

She is survived by her children, Frank Canale (Mary Jane) of Washington, DC, Ed Canale of New York City, Joe Canale (Sue) of Eugene, Oregon, Dave Canale (Margaret Mary) of Little Falls, New Jersey, Peggy Canale of Alexandria, Virginia, Mike Canale (Lisa) of Flemington, New Jersey, Liz Canale of Woodbridge, Virginia; 9 grandchildren, Jamie, Joe (Michele), Kate, Mike (Heather), Chris (Aubray), Alex (Julie), Brendan and his fiancée, Hilary Stanmyer, Jen Dillon (Matt), Phil; 9 great grandchildren, Vincent, Louis, Benny, Lilly, Will, Devin, Marcy, Evelyn, Scarlett; plus many nieces, nephews and friends.

A special thanks to Lakshmi Puri Danis and Angel Cuanias, our mother's long-time caregivers and to JSSA Hospice.

A private Celebration of Life Service is scheduled for 11:30 a.m. Friday, June 5, 2020 at Miller Funeral Home followed by interment at Quantico National Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Feeding America, World Central Kitchen. As a Home Economics major, our mom knew the importance of a balanced meal.

Cemetery Details

Quantico National Cemetery

18424 Joplin Rd
Triangle, VA 22172

Tribute Wall



“ *Margaret W. Canale*

January 12, 2023 at 12:00 PM



“ *I first met Mrs. Canale (sorry I can't call her Margaret) in 1973 when, in one of the best computer matches of my life, I was assigned to be Peg's roommate. Although various routes of income and financial aid gave me enough money for the basics of college, I couldn't afford to join Peg and other girls we knew on a spring trip to Florida. Couldn't afford it till the Canales found out and they loaned me the money, I don't think we had met in person more than once when they took that risk on me.*

Over the years as Peg and I connected and re-connected her parents were always part of the picture. I so enjoyed their company. About three years ago we had a wonderful Easter brunch at Mrs. Canale's apartment with other Canales and our friends.

Mrs. Canale would probably be pleased that I was too immersed in my higher education work on Friday to even pen this remembrance. She had a soft spot for educators. In her honor, I have dedicated all walks and wine since Friday to her.

Patricia Turner - June 07, 2020 at 05:34 PM



“ *Aunt Margaret will always be a source of love and connection to my dear Canales.*

My days at LongBranch with all of you will fill me with joy forever. My memories of Aunt Margaret and my mother Madeline having fun are my companions through this very hard time.

Love, Maryanne Murray

maryanne Murray - June 05, 2020 at 12:21 PM



“ *I remember Margaret best at the Tea Peggy hosted to celebrate her [Peggy's] achieving Master Gardener status. It was lovely to walk through the gardens with friends and family, followed by tea and treats. Sharing conversations with Margaret, Liz and Peggy was a treat in itself. Godspeed, Margaret. Barbara Bullock*

Barbara Bullock - June 04, 2020 at 11:51 PM