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Mary Elizabeth (Stuart) Katis, 78, of Boxford, MA, the only daughter of the late Charles Francis Stuart, Jr. and Susie Mae (Mooney), passed away peacefully surrounded by her loving family on May 25th, 2017, in Newburyport, MA, after a courageous battle with a long illness.

Mary was born in St. Louis, Missouri on May 6th, 1939. After graduating from St. Joseph's Academy and Maryville College she continued on to receive her Master's Degree in Social Work from Saint Louis University.

Mary married Richard Mathew Katis of Glen Ellyn, IL on the 29th of December, 1962; recently celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary in 2012. The couple made their first home in St. Louis, MO, moving to first Glen Ellyn, IL, then Andover, North Andover, and Georgetown, MA before retiring to Boxford, MA.

Mary worked in social services before starting her family. She had a diversity of interests, creative and intellectual pursuits, including art and the humanities, bridge parties and her garden. Most of all she loved her family, making friends, dancing and spending summers with her children and grandchildren on Cape Cod.

Mary was a devout Catholic who was the light in life to all who knew her, she gave of herself with an open heart, her time, her love and provoked much laughter to brighten the day for those around her; she will be dearly missed by all those who knew and loved her.

Mary is survived by her devoted husband, Richard Mathew Katis and her seven daughters, Susiemae Palmer and her son Sean of North Andover, MA; Marguerite and her husband Kenneth Sabatino and their children, Abigail, Anthony and Rosemary of Westford, MA; Sarah and her husband Eric Blum and their children Samantha, Carolyn and Grace, of Boxford, MA; Alexandria Katis and Eileen Katis of Berkley, CA, Laura and her husband Mark Andrews and their children, Charlie and August, of Novato, CA; and Kathleen Katis of Haverhill, MA.



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A Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Tuesday, May 30th at 11:00 a.m. at St. Rose of Lima Parish, Topsfield, MA. Father Michael Medas will be officiating. Visiting hours will be held from 4 to 7 p.m. on Monday, May 29th at John Breen Memorial Funeral Home, 35 Merrimack Street, North Andover, MA. Private burial services will be held for the immediate family only. More information or to send an online condolence please visit our website at www.breenfuneralhome.com



Events

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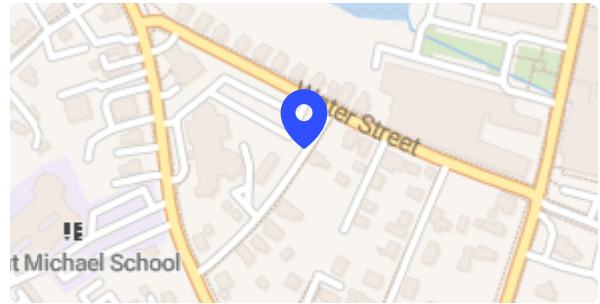
Visitation

 **Friday**, May 26, 2017

 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM ET


 **John Breen Memorial Funeral Home, Inc. - North Andover**

35 Merrimack St., North Andover MA 01845



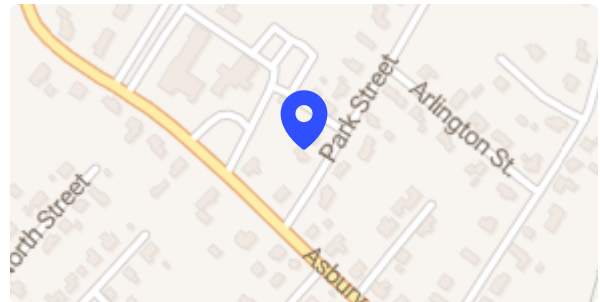
Funeral Mass

 **Tuesday**, May 30, 2017

 11:00 AM ET

 **St. Rose of Lima Church**

12 Park Street, Topsfield MA 01982





Tribute Wall

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KA

Karen Andrews posted:

Although I knew Mary all too briefly, it took no time at all to recognize that she was every inch a lady. I look at the family picture that Alex posted, and I see a lovely woman who was a wonderful wife, mother and grandmother...the heart of a beautiful family. She'll be missed but never forgotten. With heartfelt sympathy, Karen Andrews

May 31 at 11:55 AM

AB

Annabel Bailey posted:

Dear Katis Family, My heart breaks for you with the loss of your Mother. I remember meeting her long ago, and I will always remember her kindness and huge heart. With love, Annabel Schaaf-Bailey

May 31 at 8:30 AM

ML

Mary Lemieux lit a candle in honor of Mary.



May 31 at 7:01 AM

CF

Catherine And George Festa posted:

Our deepest sympathy to the Katis family. We are so sorry to hear of Mary's passing. We saw her at our granddaughters' confirmation at St. Michael's Church last month. She was indeed a lovely lady. May God give you the strength to cope with her passing. Catherine and George Festa

May 29 at 9:03 AM

KK

Kathy K. lit a candle in honor of Mary.



May 28 at 7:22 AM



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Deborah Couch posted:

My deepest sympathies to the Katis family. I have fond childhood memories of time spent on Cape Cod with your entire family. I'm so sorry for your loss. Mrs. Katis was at many of our family's special events; weddings and baby showers. I will remember her always with a loving and happy heart. Love
Deborah Zompa Couch

May 28 at 4:38 AM



Gloria Swanbon posted:

My heartfelt sympathy to Mary's family. She was such a caring, kind and considerate person. An inspiration to all of us
Gloria Swanbon, friend

May 27 at 2:27 PM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Mary by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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