



## ANNE R. KIPP

May 7, 1940 - August 15, 2020

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MEMORIAL VISITATION:

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2020

2PM TO 4PM

STICKLE-SOLTESZ FUNERAL HOME

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PRIVATE FINAL DISPOSITION

Sadly, Anne R. Kipp passed, in her Oak Ridge NJ home, Saturday, Aug 15th. Born "Anne Hall Ruth" May 7th, 1940, Anne (Annie) graduated from Grover Cleveland High School, Caldwell NJ, in 1958. She then attended Mary Baldwin College in Staunton VA. Annie spent many years visiting Green Pond as a young girl, then with her young family, before deciding to move there full-time 1971 to raise their two boys, Lee (Autumn) and Randy (Denise). Annie was blessed with 8 grandchildren (includes 2 sets of twins!) and she adored each one of them; 5 grandsons (Tanner, Evan, Kristian, Cooper, & Miles), 2

granddaughters (Vivian & Ashleigh), and 1 great-grandson (Colton). Annie had a big family, including her brother Jack Ruth of Belfast ME, his 3 son's Josh, Caleb (Kuei-Chiu Chen) Ruth, and Chester Ruth. She also had 3 stepbrothers, their wives, and their children, who were a big part of her life: Pete (Wendy) McBair, Farryn (Jim) Harte of Medford NJ, Craig (Daurie Ann) McBair of Washington Twp NJ; Rob (Judi) McBair of Marlborough CT, Jennifer (Ben) Mast of Stowe MA; Dave (Joy) McBair of Green Pond NJ, Amy (Al Marschke) McBair of Denver CO, Brad (Sarah) McBair of Fairfield CT, and Caitlin (Kevin) of Boulder CO, and 14 wonderful GREAT nieces and nephews. Annie loved to spend Thanksgiving and Easter with her family in Beaver Lake, where they would enjoy her "Cheesy Potatoes" and homemade Cranberry Chutney 😊.

Annie had a love of birds, which has been passed on to her oldest son. Lee researches & journals every bird he sees in a Bird Book that given to him by his mom. What a wonder hobby to pass on to someone and what a wonderful way to honor the passion his mother once shared.

I think everyone knew Annie's love and knowledge of gardening. The garden she kept in her own yard was beautifully kept. Every year, for Mother's Day, she would fill window boxes with beautifully colored flowers and cascading vines for her daughter-in-law to enjoy at her own home; they would last until Fall (with some gentle prodding by Annie to water them every day!). Annie became a "Master Gardener" through the Rutgers Master Gardening Program after retiring and she loved to spend time with her "Master Gardener Friends", as she called them. She was, also, a devoted and supportive member of the Jefferson Township Historical Society; she loved anything having to do with history; it fascinated her. As a member of the Museum Garden Club of Jefferson, Annie faithfully worked to enhance the beauty of their property, as well. Her favorite flower was the purple iris and a good book was never far from her reach! Annie loved Green Pond, many family outings to the

Thousand Islands, visiting Randy, Denise and her 3 amazing grandchildren! Sometimes she would stay back to rest while they went on their wild adventures! Let us just say Annie preferred anywhere warm...she was always wearing a little jacket of some sort! Oh, how she enjoyed trips to the U.P. with her boys and vacationing at the Cape since she was a girl! She loved to travel with her girlfriends every year; You were warned that there would be a lot of sightseeing/tours/walking, so not for the faint of heart. Some of her oldest and dearest friends include some from, as far back as, grammar school in Essex Fells. She would drag old and new friends along with her!

After being a “stay-at-home mom” for many years, Annie went out and started a career for herself in the Pharmaceutical industry. She spent 30 years at places like Warner Lambert, Sanofi -Aventis, and Pfizer. When she retired, she took with her many wonderful friendships that she had made along the way. Those friendships continued to flourish, like her gardens, and she treasured every one of them!

Annie was a fighter. Diagnosed with metastatic melanoma November 2018, she put up a good fight (some may say stubborn), until she just could not fight anymore. Up until that point, she was still eating dinner at The Stand and going for boat rides with her GP buddies! One thing I learned about Annie during her final days with us, is that she was loved by so many people and that gave us so much peace. The emails, texts, phone calls, FB messages, gifts, & cards have been so comforting. Thank you all for showing your love and support to our family during this time. Annie will be missed by so many people who weren't ready to let her go, but she is up there in heaven bossing the other gardeners around and laughing it up with some of her dear friends who passed before her; they were waiting patiently to see her again. Nanny and Valerie are taking special care of Annie! A mother, a sister, an aunt, a mother-in-law, a grandmother, a great grandmother, a FRIEND....Rest in

Peace Annie. XOXO

# Previous Events

## Memorial Visitation

SEP **19**. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Stickle-Soltesz Funeral Home

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(Parallel to Route 23 North between Clinton Road and Union Valley Road)

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## Memorial Service

SEP **19**. 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of ANNE R. KIPP.*



September 18, 2020 at 02:36 PM



“ *Love, The Somogyi Family purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of ANNE R. KIPP.*



**Love, The Somogyi Family** - September 18, 2020 at 09:43 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of ANNE R. KIPP.*



September 16, 2020 at 11:40 AM



“ *We were blessed with many super classmates (Grover Cleveland High School) but can honestly say there was none better than Anne. Although I will always miss her there is no doubt Heaven has a new Angel.*

**jafrmohio** - September 14, 2020 at 08:43 PM

DC

“ I'm going to miss you Anne. You were my colleague, my tenant, but most of all one of my long time friends. I knew Anne for over 30 years. We met at Warner Lambert and the rest is history. I know I made her laugh, from the Baby Ruth candy bars coming over the cubicle wall at work, to always kidding her about hot dogs!! And don't forget the flamingo's!! You gave it your all and now the pain is gone. Rest in peace Anne. My sincere sympathy to Lee and Randy and their families and all of Anne's relatives and friends.



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**Debbie Crum** - August 24, 2020 at 04:57 PM

RS

“ The members of the Jefferson Township Museum Garden Club would like to express our sincere condolences to the Kipp Family. Anne was a dedicated member of the garden club since the very first day she joined in 2013. She was so willing to share her time, talent and gardening knowledge with her fellow members. Anne was so likable that she quickly became friends with all of us. We will always hold onto the fond memories of working side by side with Anne in the garden. She will be missed, but will always be remembered as a seed of friendship that continues to grow in our treasured garden.

*The Jefferson Township Museum Garden Club*

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**Roberta Shaw** - August 22, 2020 at 10:02 AM

JS

“ So many memories my best friend left me! Our family trips to Michigan, Thousand Islands and our "Thelma and Louise" trips. We raised our children across the street from each other. Our flower picking days followed by dry flower wreath making. We shared our grammar school friends, high school friends and our Green Pond friends. The last few years we were separated by miles, but the telephone lines were busy almost every day., She was never shy about giving advice! Most of all I will treasure the deep friendship we shared for years and years. Rest easy my friend - I love you.

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**Jane Scherf** - August 21, 2020 at 06:25 PM

JD

“ My dear friend, who I was so thrilled to reconnect with the past year. She told me just a few weeks ago that she just wanted to live until after the election. I told her beautiful daughter in law that I now believe she will (and maybe already does) know the results before the rest of us! You are and will be missed by so many. You were the glue that held us together, and I love you dearly. Xoxo Joanne dingle



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**joanne dingle** - August 21, 2020 at 05:39 PM



“ Was so sorry to learn of Anne's passing from the Class of '58's Grover Cleveland H.S. relay system. I was saddened to learn of this. Anne was always full of school spirit, and could always be counted on to be seen at any and all of our class reunions. My condolences go out to all of family at this time. There may be no wake now due to the corona virus, if there was one I would attend, HOWEVER I am currently under quarantine myself as had a family member test positive. May God bless you Anne!

*Respectfully, Greg Mitchell GCHS '58*

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**Gregory L. Mitchell** - August 19, 2020 at 05:23 PM

JD

“ Anne was my neighbor in Pond Hollow. She was very friendly and would always say hi to my kids if he was outside as we would pull in the driveway. I never met anyone who knew more about flowers than Anne. My prayers to her family.

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**Jennifer DaCunza** - August 18, 2020 at 05:05 PM

CH

“ I met Annie back in 1983 when we both started working at Monroe Business in Morris Plains. We both left there and ended up working for WL together. There was a group of us that worked together at WL and have remained friends ever since. She will be truly missed by all who knew her. My she Rest In Peace. My sincere condolences to her family.

*Chris Higgins*

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**Chris Higgins** - August 18, 2020 at 01:56 PM

EC

“ I met Anne through the Rutgers Master Gardener program. We had worked on some projects together and it was fun just chatting about garden related things or life in general. I'm so sorry to hear of her passing. She was a dear soul and will be remembered fondly. Sympathies to her husband and family.

*Barb Conklin, Fellow Master Gardener*

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**Earl Conklin** - August 18, 2020 at 11:35 AM

CT

“ Anne was such an integral part of our Rutgers Master Gardeners of Morris County community. The program was just as important to her as she was to us. Her plant knowledge, her organizational abilities, and her love of nature were all evident in the volunteer activities she took on from her work in community gardens, the installation and maintenance of pollinator and deer resistant gardens, and her top-notch event planning skills. Master Gardener Graduation will not be the same without her. Her commitment to the program was unsurpassed and her love of family, especially her grandchildren whom she would sometimes bring to work in the gardens, and her many friends, was beyond description. Anne's desire to share her extensive plant knowledge with others was always evident and she seemed happiest whenever she had that opportunity.

*There are no words to express our deepest sorrow at her passing. She was truly one in a million and she will be sorely missed.*

*We send our deepest and most sincere condolences to her family on behalf of all the Rutgers Master Gardeners of Morris County.*

*May her memory be a blessing.*

*Pete Nitzsche, Dave Los and Cynthia Triolo*

*Rutgers Cooperative Extension of Morris County*

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**cynthia triolo** - August 18, 2020 at 10:03 AM

JH

“ I met Ann through our sons, Randy and Robert. We both worked for W-L and my son, Robert, had invited Randy to go with him to Puerto Rico to visit Robert's father. Ann came to see me at W-L to discuss the trip. That was how we met. The rest is history. She was always a friendly, kind person. My deepest condolences to Randy, Lee and the rest of the family. May Ann rest in peace. Judi Hotter (formerly Manger).

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**Judi Hotter** - August 17, 2020 at 12:05 PM