



Valerie P. Callan

September 21, 1933 - September 23, 2018

Valerie Patak Callan of Altamonte Springs, FL, died early morning on September 23, 2018 surrounded by her family. She celebrated a memorable 85th birthday at her home with her family the previous day. Valerie was born in Ennis, Texas to Willie and Annie Patak. She graduated high school from Our Lady of Good Counsel Academy in Dallas, Texas, where she was the class Salutatorian. She married Francis P. Callan in Dallas. Martin Marietta brought them to the Orlando area in November 1963. Their family expanded to eight children. In her early adult years, Valerie was a wife and mother, whose life revolved around her husband and eight children. After a 23-year absence, Valerie returned to the workforce at Rollins College. She attended night school at Rollins until she earned her degree in Accounting. She remained at Rollins as senior accountant in the finance department until her retirement. Valerie remained an active member of St. Mary Magdalen since 1963. She was active in the school, led Girl Scout Troop(s) and served in numerous women's guilds and circles. Later, she served as a Eucharist Minister, Minister to the Sick, and member and president of the Council of Catholic Women (CCW) and Treasurer of the Orlando Diocesan CCW. Retirement was filled with travel with Frank, time with her grandchildren, CCW, bridge and armchair baseball. She was predeceased by her parents, her husband Frank and their son Edward. Valerie is survived by: her children, Ann, Monica, Lori, Tom, Meg, Jim (Carmen) and Dan (Julie); daughters-in-law, Anne Marie Heideck and Alison Yurko; four loving grandchildren, Delaney, Claire, Paige, and Matthew; three

brothers, Bernard (Adell), Raymond (Judy), and Paul (Betty); sister-in-law, Patricia Callan; and a large extended family of cousins, nieces, and nephews in Texas and Connecticut. Visitation will be held at St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Church in Altamonte Springs on Friday, September 28, 2018 from 6pm to 8pm, with a Rosary Service starting at 5:30pm in the Chapel. The celebration of her life and Mass of Christian Burial will be held Saturday, September 29, 2018 at 11am at St. Mary Magdalen with a reception at the church in the San Juan de la Cruz Meeting Room until 2:30pm, followed by a Burial Service for the family at Palm Cemetery in Winter Park. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Covenant House MDS Foundation or a charity of your choice.

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **28.** 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

St Mary Magdalen Catholic Church
861 Maitland Avenue
Altamonte Springs, FL 32701
(407) 831-1212
<http://www.stmarymagdalen.org>

Funeral Mass

SEP **29.** 11:00 AM (ET)

St Mary Magdalen Catholic Church
861 Maitland Avenue
Altamonte Springs, FL 32701
(407) 831-1212
<http://www.stmarymagdalen.org>

Graveside Service

SEP **29.** 3:00 PM (ET)

Palm Cemetery
1005 N. New York Ave
Winter Park, FL

Tribute Wall

DH

“ I just was informed of my dear mother's (Charlotte Menne Ashwell) friend who recently passed away. Ann was a dear friend to our family since the 60's when our parents met through Martin Marietta and St Mary Magdalen Church. I am so very sorry I just found out about Ann's passing as I would have been at her funeral to say good bye. Ann was a wonderful and spiritual women. I personally admired her and her work ethics and determination to go back to school to get her degree. I would love if Ann or Monica would e-mail me dmharkey@hotmail.com

Denise Harkey - October 02, 2018 at 07:41 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Valerie P. Callan.



September 28, 2018 at 01:11 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Valerie P. Callan.



September 28, 2018 at 10:07 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Valerie P. Callan.*



September 28, 2018 at 08:51 AM



“ *Allen Gayler purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Valerie P. Callan.*



Allen Gayler - September 27, 2018 at 02:46 PM



“ *Steve, Judy, Tom, David and Celia. purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Valerie P. Callan.*



Steve, Judy, Tom, David and Celia. - September 27, 2018 at 01:10 PM

RH

“ *Callan clan,*

Your dear mom, Val, will be extremely missed. So many memories!!!! She was always willing to listen, be there for you, and gave great advice. Sorry I cannot make it!!!

She is with your dad and Eddie in heaven eating kolaches, and playing bridge with my mom and dad, Dell and Czech.

Dancing the polka too.

LOVE RENEE and TOM

Renee Hill - September 27, 2018 at 12:42 PM

BF

“ *1 file added to the album New Album Name*



Barbara Falkingham - September 27, 2018 at 09:16 AM

DH

Such a beautiful and spiritual women,mother, wife and friend. Hugs!!

Denise Harkey - October 02, 2018 at 10:24 AM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Valerie P. Callan.*



September 27, 2018 at 06:47 AM



“ *In Remembrance Woodgrain Petite Music Box was purchased for the family of Valerie P. Callan.*



September 27, 2018 at 06:07 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Valerie P. Callan.*



September 26, 2018 at 09:37 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Valerie P. Callan.*



September 26, 2018 at 11:31 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Valerie P. Callan.*



September 26, 2018 at 09:09 AM



“ *Sweet Sincerity was purchased for the family of Valerie P. Callan.*



September 26, 2018 at 08:22 AM



“ *John and Alina Polak purchased the Serene Reflections Bouquet for the family of Valerie P. Callan.*



John and Alina Polak - September 25, 2018 at 12:05 PM



“ *Scott and Jeff, SeifertMiller purchased the Heart's Companion Bouquet for the family of Valerie P. Callan.*



Scott and Jeff, SeifertMiller - September 25, 2018 at 11:23 AM



“ So sorry for your loss Just as Jesus resurrected Lazarus he can resurrected your loved one so you can be reunited. (John 11:43,44)

Marie - September 25, 2018 at 10:27 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Valerie P. Callan.



September 25, 2018 at 09:17 AM