



Mary Genevieve Regan

January 17, 1928 - August 2, 2024

Obituary for Mary Genevieve Regan

Mary Genevieve Regan, affectionately known as Genny, passed away peacefully on August 2, at the age of 96. Born on January 17, 1928, in Long Harbour, Newfoundland, Genny was the cherished daughter of Julia and Patrick Bruce and the seventh of fifteen children.

As a teenager, Genny moved to Shelburne, Nova Scotia, to care for her Aunt Mary during World War II. Her dedication and compassion were evident early on, leading her to attend the Halifax Infirmary Nursing School, where she graduated in 1950. Her graduation was memorable for her playful spirit, famously swinging from the chandelier at the Lord Nelson Hotel.

During her time at nursing school, Genny met Jack Regan, a talented wordsmith and journalist from Dartmouth. They married in 1952 and settled in Dartmouth, where they raised their nine children at 37 Glenwood Avenue over the course of nearly 40 years.

Genny is predeceased by her beloved husband Jack, and her children Pat and John Regan. She is survived by her children Joanne, Chris, Brian, Michael, MaryBeth, Jennifer, and Deanna, her 25 grandchildren, and 10 great-grandchildren. She is also survived by her siblings Basil, Helen, Jerry, and

Anne Marie.

After dedicating herself to her family, Genny returned to her nursing career as the head nurse at St. Vincent's Guesthouse in Halifax, where she worked until her retirement in 1990. Beyond her professional accomplishments, Genny was an avid golfer, gardener, bridge player and knitter, known for her exceptional rug hooking and for making the best fish chowder in the Maritimes.

A memorial service will be held at St. Peter's Catholic Church on August 8th at 1:30 p.m. with a reception to follow at Brightwood Golf and Country Club. In lieu of flowers and donations, consider paying it forward with a random act of kindness in Genny's memory.

Genny wants to thank her strong support network of family and friends including her daughters-in-law Debbie and Charlene for the love, support, and laughter over the years. Special thanks to staff at Parkland at the Lakes (Kinross and Jamieson Hall) as well as the staff at the Dartmouth General.

Genny's vibrant spirit, nurturing nature, and loving presence will be profoundly missed by all who knew her. Her legacy of kindness and dedication will forever remain in the hearts of her family and friends.

Tribute Wall



“ *Condolences to her family*



Carson Loveless - January 27, 2025 at 01:58 PM

EF

“ *Fondly remembering your mother. Condolences to the Regan family.*

Evie Fay and family.

Evelyn Fay - August 09, 2024 at 11:34 AM

SF

“ *To all the Regan family ,cherish all the wonderful memories she was an amazing woman ! I lived across the street on Glenwood Avenue for 24 years . We met up again taking rug hooking together and I remember she said Susie you can call me Jen and I said no I can't you have always been Mrs Regan to me and always will be !*

Sincerely,

Susie (Findley) Faulkner

Susie Findley Faulkner - August 08, 2024 at 03:12 PM

NB

“ *Joanne, condolences to you, Jodi, Chad, and Ben on the loss of of your mother/ grandmother.*

Nick Bugden - August 08, 2024 at 08:43 AM

DB

“ Sorry for your loss Joanne and Regan family.

Drew Bugden - August 07, 2024 at 09:21 PM

DB

“ To the family of Mrs. Regan,

*So happy to have been a neighbour of Genny, Jack and their children on Glenwood Avenue for many years!
My thoughts and prayers are with you! Cherish your memories and find comfort with each other.*

*Sincerely,
Donna (Kavanaugh) Brunt*

Donna Brunt - August 07, 2024 at 06:06 PM

RL

“ Knowing Mrs. Regan for many years, my Family were always greeted with a warm smile, lovely visits and a kind heart. She will be missed by all as She made each day a little brighter. Rhonda and Family

Rhonda Lea - August 07, 2024 at 09:51 AM

MC

“ I had the pleasure if meeting Genevieve at Kinross Hall. Always so kind & sweet and a smile. She was always a bright spot in my day. Rest well!

Michele Comeau - August 07, 2024 at 08:06 AM

KC

“ *My deepest sympathy to the Regan family.
I have many wonderful memories spending fun times around the kitchen table whilst Mrs Regan fed all of us, making sure we all had enough to eat and of course, always with a smile and a joke or two.
Fly High Mrs Regan.....
Fondest, Kathleen Crooks*

kathleen Crooks - August 06, 2024 at 05:25 PM

DM

“ *To Debbie and Brian and the Regan family,
Sincere condolences to you on the passing of a beautiful lady, I'm sure she will be sorely missed but has left a lasting legacy of kindness and love,
And many happy memories for you to share.
Sincerely, Diane MacDonald*

Diane Macdonald - August 06, 2024 at 03:12 PM

PB

“ *Our Beast Band was able to perform for the folks at Parkland just a few weeks ago and Mrs.Regan waved me over to see her. We had a great conversation and related many stories of our Families from days gone by and had a lot of laughs, particularly the occasion when Jack won the lotto and called my Dad to go out to lunch at the buffett at the Casino..She still had a wonderful sense of humour.
Jack was best man at Mum and Dad's wedding and the Regans and Barrys were best friends all our lives ! They still are. And wonderful people like Gen and Jack will always be sadly missed from our community.Rest in Peace Mrs Regan knowing the wonderful legacy of Family you have left behind.
Love, Paul and Jane Barry*

Paul Barry - August 06, 2024 at 01:18 PM

PB

“ Gen, I will miss our conversations about golf and politics 😊

You were a great mother in law.

Peter Bugden - August 06, 2024 at 11:40 AM

DV

“ *Regan family:*

Our condolences on your mom's passing. She had a very long and interesting life. She and her husband raised a wonderful family. Keep your fond and happier memories close to your hearts. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all during this sad time in your lives.

*Kind Regards:
Charlie & Dawn Verge*

Dawn And Charlie Verge - August 06, 2024 at 10:07 AM