



Gail (Watson) Buchholz

December 14, 1944 - November 1, 2023

Gail Ann (Watson) Buchholz, 78, of Newington, wife of Robert A. Buchholz, passed away Wednesday (November 1, 2023) at her home, surrounded by her family. Born in Selma, Alabama, daughter of the late Harold and Marvis (Boyington) Watson, she graduated from Newington High School, class of 1962. She received a Library Technical Assistant degree from Manchester Community College and a Bachelor's degree in English from Central Connecticut State College. Gail retired as a Corporate Vice President and Library Director for LIMRA International in Windsor, where she worked for 28 years, retiring in 2007. She was an active member of First Lutheran Church of the Reformation and St. Matthew's Lutheran Church in New Britain and Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Newington.

Besides her husband Robert, she leaves two daughters, Robin Quintas of Fort Worth, TX and Tiffany Hajdasz and her husband Stephen of Middlebury, CT; three grandchildren, Gloriana Quintas, Gareth Quintas and Savanna Hajdasz; a brother-in-law, Ronald Mayer of Lyman, SC; several nieces and nephews. Gail was predeceased by her sister, Susan B. Mayer.

Gail enjoyed a glass of wine, loved to people watch, read a good book or a trashy romance novel, and travel. She and Robert were fortunate to make a single trip around the world.

A memorial service will be held at 10AM on Thursday November 9th at First Lutheran Church, 77 Franklin Square, New Britain. Burial will follow in Center Cemetery, Newington. There are no calling hours. Carlson Funeral Home,

New Britain, is assisting the family with arrangements. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in her memory to St. Joseph's Indian School, PO Box 100 Chamberlain, SD 57325-0100. Please share a memory or note of sympathy at www.carlsonfuneralhome.com

Cemetery Details

Center Cemetery

Newington, CT

Previous Events

Funeral Service

NOV 9. 10:00 AM (ET)

First Lutheran Church
77 Franklin Square
New Britain, CT 06051

Tribute Wall

DB

“ *Our sympathies are with you.
Dennis & Janet Blanchette*

Dennis Blanchette - November 12, 2023 at 10:02 AM

LA

“ *I'm so sorry to hear of Gail's passing. I knew her through FLCR. My condolences to Robert and their family!!!
Lynn Aivaz*

Lynn Aivaz - November 09, 2023 at 12:04 PM

SH

“ *Grandma and Grandpa introduced me to many of my first major city and cultural experiences, such as my first visit to New York, Boston, and international trip. They really sparked a desire to travel and interest in exploring which I still have today. I will always be grateful for these memories such as visiting the Fashion Museum together and her kindness, thoughtfulness, and support over the years.*

With love.

SH - November 09, 2023 at 08:03 AM

CE

“ *Gail always wore that smile. Working with her at LIMRA was indeed an honor and a pleasure.*



Carlyn Brooks-Burton and The Lift Every - November 07, 2023 at 04:08 PM

SH

“ There’s nothing to say to ease the loss of Gail for those of us who loved her. As a family we’ve shared so much through the years together and now we share the weight of her loss in the days ahead. It’s hard to imagine a world without her in it moving forward, but we must. She leaves behind so many wonderful memories that will live on forever. I hope those memories bring comfort during these difficult days right now as well as those days that lie ahead without her. I know all of us who she has touched in her life will always feel her memory in our hearts.



Jesus said to her, “I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me will live, even though they die” John 11:25

Stephen

SH - November 07, 2023 at 08:30 AM

BB

“ Gail was a long-time comrade at LIMRA, working diligently and very successfully to serve the research needs of staff and, most importantly, our member companies. Later on, as her supervisor, I saw Gail as someone who would give her frank opinions, whether they agreed with mine or not; yet you could also tell that there were times when she knew enough to bite her tongue. She was just a wonderful asset to the association. But perhaps one of the most lasting memories was when she and Robert went off to Iceland for a long weekend. That was quintessential Gail.

Bob Baranoff - November 06, 2023 at 05:44 PM

TD

“ Gail was a fellow LIMRA associate of many years. She was a conscientious employee, very dedicated as Director of the Association’s Library. While always a hard worker, she always presented a bright smile. She possessed a wonderful sense of humor. My condolences to her husband and family members. May she rest in eternal peace.

Tew DuBois

Tew DuBois - November 05, 2023 at 01:01 PM

CM

Gail was always a delight to spend time with. She was always upbeat and smiling. I have enjoyed following the adventures that she and Robert went on. I will miss seeing and talking with her. My condolences to Robert, their daughters and grandchildren. I pray that her memory will always bring you a smile. She will be missed.

Christopher Michalman - November 06, 2023 at 10:08 AM