



Nanci (Metzler) Budnick

February 27, 1942 - January 23, 2025

Nanci Joan (Metzler) Budnick, 82, of Vernon, passed away on Thursday, January 23, 2025, at Manchester Memorial Hospital. Born in New Britain, she was the beloved daughter of the late William Metzler, Sr. and Olga (Johnson) Metzler.

Nanci was a proud graduate of New Britain High School, Class of 1960, and went on to earn both her Bachelor's and Master's degrees in Education from CCSC.

Affectionately known as "Mrs. B," she dedicated over 25 years to teaching elementary students in the area, including St. Thomas the Apostle School in West Hartford and most recently at Parkville Community School in Hartford. Passionate about education, Nanci touched countless lives with her kindness and dedication. Her excellence in teaching was recognized when she was honored with Hartford's Teacher of the Year Award in 2008.

Beyond her career, Nanci's greatest joy was being a mother and grandmother. She cherished every moment spent with her children and grandchildren, creating memories that will be treasured forever.

She is survived by her daughter, Beth (Jack) Pacheco of Tolland, CT, and their children, Mollie and Charlotte; her son, David (Jennifer) Budnick of Charlotte, NC, and their children, Tyler, Lillie, and John; her son, William "Bill" (Kathleen) Budnick of Charlotte, NC, and their children, Jessica, Will, and Amelia; and her son, Danny Budnick of Rock Hill, SC, and his children, Emily and Jake. She is also survived by her sister, Marcia (Robert) Anderson of Southington,

as well as several nieces and nephews. Nanci was predeceased by her parents and her brother, William Metzler, Jr.

A Celebration of Life will be held on her birthday, Thursday, February 27, 2025, at 10:30 AM at Carlson Funeral Home, 45 Franklin Square, New Britain. Burial will be private in Fairview Cemetery, New Britain. Calling hours will take place on Thursday morning at 9:30 AM prior to the Celebration of Life.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Nanci's name to The Hole in the Wall Gang camp in Ashford, CT www.holeinthewallgang.org. Please share a memory or note of sympathy at www.carlsonfuneralhome.com.

Cemetery Details

Fairview Cemetery

120 Smalley Street
New Britain, CT 06051

Previous Events

Calling Hours

FEB 27. 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM (ET)

Carlson Funeral Home
45 Franklin Square
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Memorial Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Cousin Nanci, you will be missed. So many fun memories of Sunday afternoon rides to Uncle Bill & Aunt Olgas. Even though time & miles separated us ,we still had time for chats or texts. You fought a good fight.
Thoughts & prayers to your family.*

Priscilla Leavstrom - February 13, 2025 at 05:38 PM



“ *Oh cousin Nancy, how I will miss you! We had such fun, silly, crazy texts! Such great memories of time with you and cousin Bill at family gatherings! My love and thoughts and prayers to you Beth and your brothers!*

Lori Apuzzo - February 13, 2025 at 03:21 PM



Mrs. B you felt like every child was your child and you gave each child love attention a sympathetic ear to listen and you always called it like it is!! Miss and love you! Sharon Tav

sharon tavolieri - February 14, 2025 at 06:17 PM



*My dear friend for over 50 years I miss you terribly already! We shared so much, both good/happy times and troubling times; I treasure those memories. You dedicated so much time and effort to many students who benefited from your exceptional talent as a teacher. Rest in peace. My deepest sympathy to your children.
Ann*

Ann Koenig - February 16, 2025 at 11:51 AM