



Ann D. Aitcheson

October 4, 1924 - May 20, 2022

Ann Dietsch Aitcheson of Stevensville, MD died May 20, 2022. She was 97 years old.

Ann was born on October 4, 1924 in Kansas City, Missouri to the late Elizabeth and Martin Dietsch. She was the dearly beloved wife of William Wendell Aitcheson (1916-2008), the loving mother of Bob, Philip, Bill and Peter, mother-in-law to Wanda, Beth, and Sherry, grandmother of five and great-grandmother to eight children.

Ann lived a life full of family, friends, and travel. She was an accomplished gardener, decorator and cook. She won Best Overall Christmas Decoration more than once while at her home in University Park, MD and had her famously delicious green bean casserole recipe published in The Howard County Cookbook. Ann was also a skilled gin player and won more than her share of bridge tournaments well into her nineties.

After her husband (and favorite dance partner) Bill's retirement, the two traveled the world together, bringing back trinkets, photos, and stories to share with their family. Ann took great pride in her beautiful gardens, had an artist's eye for flower arrangement, and was dedicated to beautifying any space she occupied. She adored the beach, bodysurfing with her grandkids, and corn on the cob with cucumbers and tomato followed by a perfectly ripe summer peach.

Though Ann was devastated by the loss of her dear husband of sixty-five years, Bill, in 2008, she spent the next fourteen years employing the indomitable will and determination she cultivated as the mother of four rambunctious boys to learn an entirely new way of life. In 2020, she suffered a hip fracture and, with the help of friends and caregivers, bounced back stronger than before, establishing a weightlifting routine that she continued until her final illness.

A woman of great faith and a devoted Catholic, Ann donated generously to various causes both in and outside the church. She will be remembered with great respect and love by friends and family alike.

Family, friends and former caregivers are invited to attend a Visitation at Fellows,

Helpfenbein and Newman Funeral Home at 106 Shamrock Rd., Chester, MD on Wednesday, May 25, 2022 from 6-8pm. All are also invited to a funeral mass to be held at St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Church, 5319 Ocean Gateway, Queenstown, MD on Thursday, May 26, 2022 at 11am. Following the mass and burial, a reception will be held at Cove Creek Clubhouse at 114 N. Creek Ct., Stevensville, MD from 2:30-4:30pm. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to The Little Sisters of the Poor St. Martin's Home, 601 Maiden Choice Lane, Catonsville MD 21228. Online condolences may be made at www.fhnfuneralhome.com.

Cemetery Details

St. Peter's Catholic Cemetery

5319 Ocean Gateway
Queenstown, MD 21658

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 25. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Chester Location / Kent Island
106 Shamrock Road
Chester, MD 21619
info@fhfuneralhome.com

Mass

MAY 26. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Church
5319 Ocean Gateway
Queenstown, MD

Tribute Wall



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“ *What a wonderful life! And how blessed she was in her family. It isn't many Catholic mothers who have the blessing of giving a son to the Church. What gifted years we experienced with Fr. Bill as our pastor. We will be praying for the happy repose of Ann's soul and of her husband Bill and the comfort of all the family. When I saw the request to give to the Little Sisters of the Poor in Catonsville I felt a connection to Ann. My own mother who died in 2002 at the age of 83 used to volunteer there twice a week for years. We will be sending a donation in honor of Ann.*

Mary Ann and Larry Kreitzer

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