



Lois Boinski Bahr

June 2, 1948 - August 2, 2025

Lois Bahr of Easton passed away unexpectedly on August 2nd, surrounded by her loving family. She was 77.

Born in Easton on June 2, 1948, as the first child of Robert "Bob" and Betty Boinski (Bridges), Lois was raised in Neavitt, surrounded by her mother's large and loving extended family. Her father, originally from Milwaukee, brought Midwestern flair to the Eastern Shore. He not only coached Pony League in St. Michaels but also introduced a young Harold Baines to White Sox owner Bill Veeck, helping launch Baines's journey to becoming a Major League Baseball Hall of Famer. That same instinct to lift others up, to see and nurture greatness, was something Lois carried forward throughout her life.

A 1966 graduate of St. Michaels High School, Lois was a Rhodes Scholar and a member of Mensa. This was a testament to her extraordinary intelligence, curiosity, and drive. She went on to earn her nursing degree in 1969 from the MacQueen Gibbs Willis School of Nursing, attending on a full merit scholarship.

Lois devoted more than 50 years to psychiatric nursing, known for her exceptional skill and a steady presence that others could always rely on. She served at the Eastern Shore Hospital Center, Talbot County Department of Mental Health, Memorial Hospital at Easton, Dorchester General Hospital, Channel Marker, and For All Seasons. Her calming voice and quiet strength were often all it took to bring peace and serve as a guiding light in times of crisis.

To her colleagues, Lois made the impossible feel manageable and somehow made the difficult work fun. She brought calm to chaos, offering clarity, confidence, and a steady hand when others felt unsure.

Beyond her profession, Lois was a second mother to many, a steady hand and open heart to friends, neighbors, and anyone in need. Her home was a sanctuary, her advice quietly profound, and her love freely given. Her passing marks not just the loss of a beloved woman but the end of an era defined by her warmth, wisdom, and wit.

Lois lived life with a flair that was uniquely her own. Her outfits were always over-the-top and matched perfectly, down to the smallest details only she would notice, or be able to pull off. She celebrated holidays with enthusiasm and love, making the best gingerbread cookies that we will never be able to replicate. She loved to play bingo and slots, and would always win because she was born lucky. She could glance at a patch of grass and find a four-leaf clover like it was waiting for her. She was also an incredible cook, effortlessly whipping up meals and snacks for anyone who showed up and quickly learned that Lois's kitchen was always open. As a preacher's wife, she was the perfect mix of sass and grace; supportive, spirited, and always true to herself. Her laughter, storytelling, and smile lit up every room.

Many are left learning how to navigate life without her spark, including her devoted husband of 44 years, the Reverend Frederick Bahr; her children, Robert Walker (Debbie) and Anne Short (Ben); her cherished grandchildren, Drew, Grant, and Garrett Walker, and Cameron and Cooper Short; her sisters Debbie Cahall (Tom, deceased) and Laurie Blumberh (Paul); and many beloved nieces, nephews, cousins, and lifelong friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents and her stepson, Raymond Bahr, who was taken from us exactly six months before her.

A celebration of Lois' incredible life will be held on Monday, August 11th at 12:00 PM at Tilghman United Methodist Church. The family will receive visitors at the church from 11:00 AM to 12:00 PM. A reception will follow at 1:30 PM at the VFW in Easton, affectionately known by Lois as "the V." She

was a proud member of the VFW Ladies Auxiliary and would be honored to welcome friends and family there one last time.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Lois Boinski Bahr Nursing Scholarship at Chesapeake College, an award created to honor her legacy and support future generations of nurses. Contributions can be made online at [www.chesapeake.edu/donate]; please select “Lois Boinski Bahr Nursing Scholarship” when making your gift. The first award will be presented in the spring of 2026.

Cemetery Details

Maryland Eastern Shore Veterans Cemetery

Hurlock, MD

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 11. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (est)

Tilghman United Methodist Church
5731 Tilghman Island Rd
Tilghman, MD 21671

Memorial

AUG 11. 12:00 PM (est)

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Tilghman, MD 21671

Tribute Wall

LA

“ I was story to hear of this sad news . I knew Lois when we worked together many years ago , remembering even the story of having Annie 💕💕

laura - August 15, 2025 at 09:48 AM

TF

“ The Ottoson (Manuwald) Family purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Lois Boinski Bahr.



The Ottoson (Manuwald) Family - August 10, 2025 at 08:09 AM

TF

“ The Ottoson (Manuwald) Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Lois Boinski Bahr.

The Ottoson (Manuwald) Family - August 10, 2025 at 08:09 AM

LP

“ Love, Joan & Steve Peleska purchased the Pink Potpourri Bouquet for the family of Lois Boinski Bahr.



Love, Joan & Steve Peleska - August 09, 2025 at 07:28 PM

LP

“ Love, Joan & Steve Peleska planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Lois Boinski Bahr.

Love, Joan & Steve Peleska - August 09, 2025 at 07:28 PM

MG

“ Lois Bahr, RN we recognize you and pay homage to your dedication to the profession of nursing. We extend our deepest sympathies to your family, friends and colleagues.
Respectfully,
The Maryland Nurse Honor Guard



Maryland Nurse Honor Guard - August 08, 2025 at 09:54 PM

TF

“ The Boinski Family purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Lois Boinski Bahr.



The Boinski Family - August 08, 2025 at 12:23 PM

TF

“ The Boinski Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Lois Boinski Bahr.

The Boinski Family - August 08, 2025 at 12:23 PM

JF

“ Jane Feigleson lit a candle in memory of Lois Boinski Bahr



Jane Feigleson - August 07, 2025 at 09:00 PM

AK

“ I was deeply saddened to learn of the sudden passing of Lois. I first met Lois when we both entered the nursing program at Macqueen Gibbs Willis. We became friends forever. You could always depend on Lois to tell a funny story about something in her job or relating to family. She was great to be around. My sincere condolences to Fred and the family. RIP, Lois.
Anita Kooyman

Anita Kooyman - August 07, 2025 at 12:48 PM

MW

“ Marlene A Windsor lit a candle in memory of Lois Boinski Bahr



Marlene A Windsor - August 07, 2025 at 10:17 AM

MW

Rev. Bahr, Robbie, Debbie and family,
We are so very sorry for the passing of Miss Lois. We will always remember your time spent in Cambridge at St. Paul's and the kindness, wisdom, and prayers shared with us. Our prayers are with you.
Chris Tyler and Marlene Windsor

Marlene A Windsor - August 07, 2025 at 10:22 AM

WW

“ *Lois was a wonderful kind caring person. I am so sorry for this loss. My thoughts prayers and love to her family. Wallace Willey.* ”

WALLACE R WILLEY - August 07, 2025 at 09:47 AM

WR

“ *Wanda Ruark lit a candle in memory of Lois Boinski Bahr* ”



wanda Ruark - August 07, 2025 at 08:51 AM

BP

“ *I’m very blessed to have known Lois professionally as well as socially. Without doubt, Lois was one of the finest and most professional psychiatric nurses I’ve ever known. Kind, caring and incredibly astute, Lois had great insight and talent. A friend and associate of which anyone would be proud to have, those of us who spent significant time with her will forever treasure. Maryann and I regret not being able to have had one more reunion with the “gang.”* ”
❤️

Bill & MarAnn Peddicord - August 06, 2025 at 09:30 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Lois Boinski Bahr.* ”



August 06, 2025 at 08:48 PM

RC

“ Met Louse and Fred way back when Fred was still police officer in Oxford. Through the years I have never met a more wonderful woman than Lois. My heart goes out to Fred and the family in their time of need.

Richard Cross - August 06, 2025 at 06:30 PM

MW

“ Lois was one of the best psychiatric nurses I have ever known. She was also the very best to work with. She absolutely loved her patients and they loved her. As we all did. She made work so fun!!! She just drew people to her making her so easy to be with. She was wise , discerning and nobody's fool. She was kind , and had great integrity How blessed we all are to have shared her life. Love you ole girl. See you on the other side where I know you'll be entertaining the troops

Merry Webb - August 06, 2025 at 03:33 PM

DK

“ David and Christy Kusinitz purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Lois Boinski Bahr.



David and Christy Kusinitz - August 06, 2025 at 02:03 PM

CL

“ She was such an inspiration to all who met her. She will be greatly missed. Prayers to the entire family

Connie Lewis - August 06, 2025 at 12:20 PM

SL

“ Sincerely, Glen and Nina Lewis purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Lois Boinski Bahr.



Sincerely, Glen and Nina Lewis - August 06, 2025 at 11:34 AM

RM

“ Lois will sorely be missed. She was a wonderful and caring lady who always made me laugh. We are so very sorry and our thoughts and prayers are with Fred and her children.

Rex and Shirley Marshall - August 06, 2025 at 09:29 AM

NW

“ Nancy and Matthew Willard purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Lois Boinski Bahr.



Nancy and Matthew Willard - August 06, 2025 at 08:15 AM

PF

“ My thoughts and prayers are with Fred and the family at the loss of this extraordinary lady. The many tributes on this page are a tribute to a life well lived.



Phil Foster - August 06, 2025 at 02:35 AM

BD

“ Kindness followed where ever she was. Your love, spirit, smile, laughter and kindness will be missed. Thank you for being one of a kind. So glad we got to see one another and share time last month. Thank you for your years of caring for the community in so many places and especially with our team at For All Seasons. xoxo Beth Anne Dorman

BethAnne Dorman - August 05, 2025 at 11:35 PM

KU

“ Lois was the most amazing person and surrogate mom. I will miss her so much.

Kelly Uphoff - August 05, 2025 at 07:43 PM

DE

“ Dianne Ellerbusch lit a candle in memory of Lois Boinski Bahr



Dianne Ellerbusch - August 05, 2025 at 06:28 PM

MJ

“ Mike & Betty Ann Johnson purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Lois Boinski Bahr.



Mike & Betty Ann Johnson - August 05, 2025 at 05:48 PM

MJ

“ Mike & Betty Ann Johnson planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Lois Boinski Bahr.

Mike & Betty Ann Johnson - August 05, 2025 at 05:48 PM

DK

“ Debbie And Bob Kinnamon lit a candle in memory of Lois Boinski Bahr



Debbie and Bob Kinnamon - August 05, 2025 at 05:13 PM

CC

“ Dear Rev. Bahr and Family,
Sending deepest condolences and will be keeping you in my thoughts and prayers.
Although I didn't know her, the obituary reflects she was a lovely gal. May God hold you all in the palm of His hand.



Colleen Curran-Bromwell - August 05, 2025 at 04:51 PM

PH

“ Pat Haddaway lit a candle in memory of Lois Boinski Bahr



Pat Haddaway - August 05, 2025 at 03:52 PM

PH

*A beautiful legacy. With Heartfelt Sympathy!
Lois did have a calming way about her. Even when she was a young girl.*

Pat Haddaway - August 05, 2025 at 03:56 PM

BM

“ *Beverly Mitchell lit a candle in memory of Lois
Boinski Bahr*



Beverly Mitchell - August 05, 2025 at 01:59 PM

BM

Lois was the most kind and sweet person I ever knew. She will be greatly missed at VFW POST 5118. Love and prayers to Rev. Fred and family. 💔

Beverly Mitchell - August 05, 2025 at 02:01 PM

AS

*So sorry to hear of Lois's passing. Such a kind heart and soul. Prayers to Fred, Annie, Robbie and all of her family and friends. Hugs.
Anne Slechta Smith*

Anne Slechta Smith - August 06, 2025 at 10:53 AM

TM

“ *We are sorry to hear of Lois' passing*
Rodger and Terry McQuay



Terry McQuay - August 05, 2025 at 01:47 PM

CD

“ Our deepest sympathy Rev. Fred & Annie. Lois was such a genuinely sweet person and had a great sense of humor! Her light will shine on us from Heaven now. Peace be with you as you remember the treasures her life brought to yours.
With love and condolences, Chris & Deb Langrell



Chris & Deb - August 05, 2025 at 01:15 PM

TL

“ Dear Fred and family, our sincere condolences for your loss. Prayers and love.
John & Trudy Leager



Trudy Leager - August 05, 2025 at 12:46 PM

GB

“ Fred, you and your family are in our thoughts and prayers. 🙏🙏 We are very sorry for your loss. Lois was a great person who will surely be missed. RIP, Lois. 🙏🙏

George and Cathy Ball



George Ball - August 05, 2025 at 11:57 AM

JK

“ Fred. And Annie, we are so very sorry for your loss. An amazing Mom and Nurse. She will live forever in your hearts. With deepest sympathy 🙏



Janine and Keith - August 05, 2025 at 11:33 AM

GW

“ Georgia & Steve Williams lit a candle in memory of Lois Boinski Bahr



Georgia & Steve Williams - August 05, 2025 at 11:04 AM

GW

Robbie and Debbie, So sorry for your loss. Our heartfelt condolences to you, Fred and your sons.

Georgia & Steve Williams - August 05, 2025 at 11:07 AM

SD

“ Robbie, Debbie and sons; sending my sincere condolences. I worked with Lois years ago when it was Memorial Hospital.



Sherry Dolby - August 05, 2025 at 10:28 AM

PM

“ *Phyllis Messick lit a candle in memory of Lois Boinski Bahr*



Phyllis Messick - August 05, 2025 at 09:30 AM

PM

May rest in peace old friend. I enjoyed working all those years with you, you were a good nurse

Phyllis Messick - August 05, 2025 at 09:31 AM

MB

“ *Fred I am so sorry for your loss. Sending prayers to you and your family .*

Marsha Blann - August 05, 2025 at 09:29 AM

BW

“ *"My heart goes out to you and your family. Having worked with Lois for a few years it is was easy to see she truly was a unique and beautiful spirit who always knew how to make us laugh. May you find strength in the love of family and in the warm embrace of friends.*

Bonnie Wooters - August 05, 2025 at 08:45 AM

DH

“ *Dale Huffman lit a candle in memory of Lois Boinski Bahr*



Dale Huffman - August 05, 2025 at 08:34 AM

DH

Remembering all the good times we had in nursing school and being friends for 59 yrs! So sorry for your loss.

Dale Huffman - August 05, 2025 at 08:35 AM

AB

“ *Agnes Blades lit a candle in memory of Lois Boinski Bahr*



Agnes Blades - August 05, 2025 at 07:59 AM

DS

“ *Condolences to Fred and Family during this time. Lois will be missed by all.* 🙏❤️🙏

Debbie Sturgis - August 05, 2025 at 07:59 AM

DP

“ *Doug Pierson lit a candle in memory of Lois Boinski Bahr*



Doug Pierson - August 05, 2025 at 07:23 AM

PH

“ *I will miss her smile her laughter. She loved Fred and her family. More than that she loved our Lord. Fred i send my sympathy to you and your family. I will always be here for you. I send my love. Boh sends her doggie kisses.*



Patricia Henson - August 05, 2025 at 06:20 AM

RH

“ American Legion, Talbot Post 70, sends its condolences to Pastor Fred & family on the passing of Lois. May your cherished memories bring you comfort at this difficult time.



Ruth Higgins - August 04, 2025 at 09:56 PM

AN

“ Lois will be missed by many. Our VFW Auxiliary 5118 sends our sympathies to Fred and the family

Andrea - August 04, 2025 at 09:32 PM

AG

“ One of the best nurses I have ever had the pleasure of working beside, and we had a lot of fun too. Will miss you Lois



Anne George - August 04, 2025 at 09:03 PM

CT

“ Carolyn Timms lit a candle in memory of Lois Boinski Bahr



Carolyn Timms - August 04, 2025 at 08:09 PM

KB

“ *Kathy And Byron Baker lit a candle in memory of Lois Boinski Bahr*



Kathy and Byron Baker - August 04, 2025 at 07:16 PM

BC

“ *Brenda And Mark Cummings sent a virtual gift in memory of Lois Boinski Bahr*



Brenda and Mark Cummings - August 04, 2025 at 03:18 PM