



Anne H. Spencer

January 1, 1936 - March 22, 2023

Anne Harriman Spencer, age 87, of Royal Oak, passed away on March 22, 2023.

Loving mother of Joseph (the late Frances) Alvaro, Timothy Alvaro, Maria Alvaro, and Christina (John Ferry) Alvaro. Proud grandmother of Evan, Bennett, Ellen, Riley, Daniel, Mariah, and the late Caitlin.

Anne was a lifelong parishioner of Shrine of the Little Flower, as well as a 1953 graduate of Shrine High School. She earned a B.A. in Education from Marygrove College, and later a master's degree from Wayne State University. She ultimately went on to earn a PhD in hypnosis.

Anne taught for virtually her entire life, including a portion of her career teaching Montessori. She also started the preschool program at Shrine. Her students over the years included everyone from two-year-olds to those in their sixties and seventies. In her free time, Anne was an avid gardener as well as being an excellent baker. She also enjoyed trips to the symphony and theater.

Visitation will take place on Monday, March 27 from 3 - 8 p.m. at Wm. Sullivan & Son Funeral Home, 705 W. 11 Mile Rd. (4 blocks east of Woodward), Royal Oak. Funeral Mass will be held on Tuesday, March 28, at 10:00 a.m. (gathering 9:30 a.m.) at National Shrine of the Little Flower Basilica, 2100

Twelve Mile Rd., Royal Oak. Interment will follow at White Chapel Cemetery in Troy.

Memorial contributions can be directed to the Christian Service Commission at National Shrine of the Little Flower Basilica. Checks should be made payable to "Shrine Christian Service", with "Christian Service Commission" noted in the memo line.

Cemetery Details

White Chapel Memorial Cemetery

621 W. Long Lake Road
Troy, MI 48098

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 27. 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Wm. Sullivan and Son Funeral Directors-Royal Oak
705 W. Eleven Mile Road
Royal Oak, MI 48067
(248) 541-7000
royal@sullivanfh.com
<https://www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com/>

Funeral Mass

MAR 28. 10:00 AM (ET)

National Shrine of the Little Flower Basilica
2100 W. 12 Mile Road
Royal Oak, MI 48073

Tribute Wall

RK

“ So sorry to hear this news. Anne was a dear friend, mentor and family. I took Anne’s classes in 2000. She remained in my life as a dear friend and mentor. Gods blessings to this dear dear soul.



Revrend Dr. William W Kenner - October 03, 2023 at 12:44 AM

SG

“ I met Anna number of years ago during a women’s Bible study. I fell in love with her. She was very spicy,bright and wonderful. I will miss her. May the angels carry you through the clouds of heaven
Love, Susan

Susan Grzesiak - April 07, 2023 at 08:21 PM

JM

“ Anne was a member of the Shrine Friday morning women’s ministry. Her wisdom and ability to challenge others helped us all to grow. Her memory will live within the group. May God hold the family close as they grieve and bring comfort to them. May Anne rest in peace.

Judy Maten - March 27, 2023 at 10:58 PM

CF

“ Cindy & Nathan Vestal & Family purchased the C rystal Cross Bouquet for the family of Anne H. Spencer.



Cindy & Nathan Vestal & Family - March 27, 2023 at 10:13 AM



“ *Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Anne H. Spencer.*



March 26, 2023 at 04:11 PM



“ *Dr Anna was a beautiful soul that had a huge impact on my life. She took me under her wing guided me taught me and set me on a path that not only helped me but helped hundreds of other people as a result. She was a true innovator and forced to be reckoned with. I will miss her dearly.*

Jim Duncan - March 25, 2023 at 06:00 PM



“ *On behalf of the IMDHA we wish to extend our heartfelt condolences to Anne's family. May she rest in eternal peace. Robert & Linda Otto and staff*

Linda Otto - March 25, 2023 at 10:38 AM



“ *She was creative, brilliant, fun, and humble, and always showed an interest in other people's concerns. She had a big heart and was full of wisdom. God Bless her and the Alvaro family.*

David B Bauer - March 25, 2023 at 07:21 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Anne H. Spencer.*



March 25, 2023 at 07:16 AM



“ *Magnificent Life Spray was purchased for the family of Anne H. Spencer.*



March 24, 2023 at 02:52 PM