



Rita M. Gannon

August 14, 1930 - October 14, 2020

Rita M. Gannon (nee Kosmatka) passed away on October 14, 2020. Born in Camden to Stanley and Sarah Kosmatka, Rita was 90 years old. Formerly a longtime resident of Cinnaminson, her final residence was Granville Place, Burlington.

Beloved wife of 53 years to the late William S. Gannon. Loving mother of Kathryn (Francis) Lihotz, Maureen (William) Jones, Susan Ward, Theresa (James) Bryan, Rita (Paul) Baloché, Jeanne (Kenneth) Chiaccio, William (Dani) Gannon III. Cherished grandmother of 15 grandchildren Sarah (Cody) Redding, Tara (Rich) Matthews, Lauren Ward, Rachel (Daniel) Baldwin, John Lihotz, David Baloché, Patrick Ward, Cherie (Florian) Baloché, Nikki Bryan, William Jones, Will Gannon, Kenneth P. Chiaccio, Liam Chiaccio, Michelle Gannon and Brenna Chiaccio and 8 great-grandchildren Ryan and Chase Matthews, Colton, Claire and Carter Redding, Audrey and Levi Baldwin and Lucas Oneal. Well-loved resident of the Granville Place family.

Rita was a member of St. Charles Borromeo Church, and music director at both the church and school from 1968 until retirement. She spent her time there conducting church choirs, school plays, and singing at countless weddings and funerals for the church community. After retirement she volunteered her talents to St. Paul's School in Burlington, NJ.

A gathering of family and friends will be Tuesday, October 20th, 9:00-10:00 a.m. at GIVNISH OF CINNAMINSON 1200 Route 130 North. Rita's Funeral Mass will follow 10:30 a.m. at St. Charles Borromeo Church Branch Pike and Pomona Road, Cinnaminson. Burial will follow at Lakeview Memorial Park.

We ask that the guests wear masks, exercise social distancing and once you visit with family we ask that you exit the facilities so that others may do the same.

In lieu of flowers, charitable donations can be made in Rita's name to provide musical enrichment to the residents at Granville Place. Make checks payable to:

“Granville Place-Kelly Dickinson”, 111 Sunset Road, Burlington, NJ 08016

Please note in memo In Memory of Rita Gannon.

To share your fondest memories of Rita, please visit www.givnish.com

Previous Events

Gathering of Family and Friends

OCT 20. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (ET)

Givnish of Cinnaminson
1200 Route 130 North
Cinnaminson, NJ 08077
info@snovergivnish.com

Funeral Mass

OCT 20. 10:30 AM (ET)

St. Charles Borromeo Church
2500 Branch Pike & Pomona Road
Cinnaminson, NJ 08077

Burial

OCT 20. 11:45 AM (ET)

Lakeview Memorial Park
1300 Route 130 North
Cinnaminson, NJ 08077

Tribute Wall



“ *Givnish Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Rita M. Gannon*



Givnish Funeral Home - October 19, 2020 at 01:04 PM

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The warmth of her voice and the depth of her love for her music ministry and family still resound in my memory of ten years of priesthood at St Charles. May she Rest In Peace. Fr. Joe Connolly, TOR

Fr. Joseph F Connolly, TOR - October 21, 2020 at 02:39 PM



“ *Rita M. Gannon*

September 09, 2022 at 01:27 AM

LK

“ *I had the pleasure of working with Rita at St. Paul's School in the 1980's. My children and I still talk about the shows in which they participated. Rita and Sr. Peter were an invincible team and they created lasting memories for many students. My condolences to the family. May she rest in peace.*

Louise Kane

Louise Kane - October 27, 2020 at 01:25 AM

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“ *I will always remember the shows Mrs. Gannon organized for us students at St. Charles. We sang Christmas songs in the Moorestown and Cherry Hill Malls, and then there were the spring productions. Looking back, she had to have had such patience with us students. But what memories! (and I graduated St. Charles in 1973). And my Mother was in the church choir for years. She was a very special and talented woman. I have no doubt she will be missed.*

Cindy Yung Raleigh - October 19, 2020 at 04:42 PM



“ 169 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Givnish Funeral Home - October 19, 2020 at 11:25 AM

KP

“ To all the Gannon Clan as Rita would call it. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you. Rita was well loved at Granville Place.. She always had a kind word to say to everyone and plenty of candy to give out.. I will most remember Rita for her love of music. We have a Christmas Choir every year at Granville Place and Rita would lead the way from picking out the songs to placing the Residents in the right spots. This year the show must go on as they say.. We will be singing in her honor. Thank you Rita for bringing such joy and happiness to my life as well as the residents and staff of Granville Place.



Kerin Pearson - October 17, 2020 at 10:28 PM

TC

“ The St. Charles Borromeo Choir purchased the *Glorious Grace Bouquet* for the family of Rita M. Gannon.



The St. Charles Borromeo Choir - October 17, 2020 at 10:01 AM



“ So many memories from growing up doing Mrs. Gannon performances at St. Charles Elementary school to being her coworker for two years when i first started teaching 37 years ago. She may be why I am the chair of my kid's school district music booster club. May you keep the angels singing!!!
MaryFran O'Brien Holly

MaryFran Holly - October 16, 2020 at 09:55 PM



“ I was a junior in college when I joined the choir of St. Charles with Rita directing. It was a blessing joining our voices in praise to God alongside my future (now) bride, her dear mother, and so many now gone, and some still singing today. Rita magnified my love of the Lord through music ministry, and entrusted me with her choir when she asked me to take her place in 1989. I remember her fondly, and celebrate her faith and spirit every time I lead worship in song, and always will.
Ed Cook, Music Minister
St. Charles Borromeo
Cinnaminson, NJ

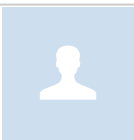
Ed Cook - October 16, 2020 at 05:09 PM



“ Rita was loved by the Granville Place Family. We will miss her so much. She touched our hearts like the many she did through the years. Our Deepest Sympathy to the entire Gannon Family.



Kelly Dickinson - October 16, 2020 at 03:50 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Rita M. Gannon.



October 16, 2020 at 03:02 PM