

## Mrs. Arline Murphy

October 27, 1932 - March 16, 2023

ARLINE MURPHY

“MURPH”

Loving Mother, Grandmother, Great Grandmother, and Sister

DRACUT—Mary Arline (Welcome) Murphy, 90, passed away peacefully at her home in Florida surrounded by her family on March 16, 2023. She was the wife of the late John J. Murphy who passed away in 2009.

Arline was born in Lowell on October 27, 1932, a daughter of the late Walter and Alice (Brodeur) Welcome. She attended the Lowell Schools and was a graduate of Lowell High School, where she was a Girl Officer.

During her younger years, she loved playing softball. She also enjoyed bowling in a league for several years. She was an avid crafter and golfer for decades, even holding the Presidency of the Mt. Pleasant Golf League at one point.

Arline was employed by the Parachute Company in Lowell as a supervisor, and worked at Lynch Paint for decades as a paint and wallpaper sales consultant.

She loved music, always having it playing in the background, and even performing in Variety Shows in her younger years.

Arline enjoyed traveling, to places like Myrtle Beach and Mexico, with her golfing friends, and took her dream vacation to Hawaii with her daughter

Sandy.

Her Dracut farm property was a family staple for the generations of kids who were raised there. All family gatherings, cookouts and holidays were spent there surrounded by family, old friends and new. She welcomed everyone, and loved making people laugh and feel loved. She 'adopted' many new kids and grandkids over the years, who still referred to her as 'Ma Murphy' or 'Grammy'.

Her genuine nature and listening ears impacted all who met her, and once you knew her, you'd never forget her.

Arline moved to The Villages, Florida in 2018, where she continued her active social life with her many friends, her love of golf, and the quest for a 'hole in one'.

Arline was the mother of the late John P. Murphy, Mary Alice Murphy, and William "Bill" Murphy. Surviving Arline are her daughter, Sandra Murphy of Florida; her five grandchildren, Kim Anderson, Heather Herr, John Murphy, Melody Murphy, and Sarah Murphy; fourteen great grandchildren; her brother, Robert Welcome and his wife Lillian; many nieces and nephews, and several dear friends. Arline was the grandmother of the late Amy Murphy, and sister of the late Alice Brown.

Family and Friends may call at THE FAY McCABE FUNERAL HOME, 105 MOORE STREET, LOWELL, on THURSDAY, MARCH 30, 2023, from 4 until 8 PM. ARLINE'S FUNERAL will begin on FRIDAY MORNING at 9 o'clock from the Funeral Home, followed by her FUNERAL MASS at 10 o'clock at ST. FRANCIS CHURCH, 115 Wheeler Rd. DRACUT.

ARLINE'S FUNERAL MASS WILL BE LIVE-STREAMED AT 10 AM on FRIDAY. FRIENDS CAN VIEW AT [saintfrancis.net](http://saintfrancis.net)

Her burial will follow in ST. MARY'S CEMETERY, Tewksbury.

As an expression of sympathy, donations in Arline's memory may be made to The American Cancer Society at [www.cancer.org](http://www.cancer.org). or to your local American Cancer Society office.

ARRANGEMENTS BY THE  
FAY McCABE FUNERAL DIRECTORS  
978-459-9222 [www.faymccabe.com](http://www.faymccabe.com)

# Previous Events

## Calling Hours

MAR **30**. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Fay McCabe Funeral Home  
105 Moore Street  
Lowell, MA 01852  
(978) 459-9222  
sean@faymccabe.com  
<https://www.faymccabe.com>

## Funeral Mass

MAR **31**. 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Francis Church  
155 Wheeler Road  
Old Parker Road  
Dracut, MA 01826

## Burial

MAR **31**. 12:30 PM (ET)

St. Mary Cemetery  
90 River Road  
North Tewksbury, MA 01876  
(978) 851-2248  
<http://www.stmarycemetary.com/>

# Tribute Wall

DF

“ I remmy her very well, she was so funny... So sorry for loss 🙏



Darlene Foster - April 02, 2023 at 11:35 PM

JH

“ Always in our hearts forever !



John herr - March 31, 2023 at 07:09 AM

PA

“ Pat Archfield lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Arline Murphy



Pat Archfield - March 31, 2023 at 07:00 AM

PA

Murph was a beautiful soul. Such a kind loving woman. Many awesome memories. Rest In Peace love

Pat Archfield - March 31, 2023 at 07:03 AM

JN

*Arline was a wonderful and welcome neighbor to my family for many years. I have fond memories of her family moving to the farm when I was probably a young teen. So sorry to hear of her passing.*

**Judy Norton** - April 01, 2023 at 10:24 AM

ND

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



**Niece Dorry** - March 30, 2023 at 05:56 PM

HA

“ *I will miss her she was very good wone I have know her since was ll hril Ris in pins aunt Eileen*



**Heather Whitehurst am.46** - March 30, 2023 at 05:55 PM

MW

“ *Maggie Wetzell lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Arline Murphy*



**maggie wetzell** - March 30, 2023 at 05:19 PM

MW

“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



maggie wetzell - March 30, 2023 at 05:12 PM

MW

God Bless you Arlene, a friend to all and loved a great laugh 🙏❤️

maggie wetzell - March 30, 2023 at 05:14 PM

PP

Feel fortunate that you were a part of my life for 70 +years. Our softball team was the best i re-call often those times and you would call us to huddle place our hand on each others hands and say the Our Father together before our softball games .Staying in touch as years went by meeting up to re-unite having lunch with those of us that could make it, and getting together to play golf . a fun overnight visit at the villages spending time together was always a joyful event so glad we got to see you at your 90th Birthday Party was awesome . I i believe i will see you again my friend xxxooo you have a place in my heart always  
Pauline ( Lapierre ) ( Dagoumas ) Patenaude

Pauline Patenaude - April 01, 2023 at 09:40 AM

MK

“ Mary Krance lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Arline Murphy



Mary Krance - March 30, 2023 at 05:03 PM

MK

“ *Mary Krance lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Arline Murphy*



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**Mary Krance** - March 30, 2023 at 03:14 PM

SA

“ *Sending prayers and condolenceto the Murphy family*



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**Susan F Allen** - March 29, 2023 at 12:42 PM

EG

“ *Sending prayers and condolences to all. She had a wonderful smile and quick wit.  
Erin Welcome Good and family*

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**Erin Good** - March 28, 2023 at 08:34 PM

HH

“ *Heather Herr lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Arline Murphy*



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**Heather Herr** - March 28, 2023 at 06:02 PM

CP

“ *Deepest condolences from the Cohen and Perkins families....also from all the crew that worked with Murph/Gram at Lynch Paint Center for many decades....she will be greatly missed. We always had a great time with her at work, at Christmas parties and especially at bowling with many laughs afterwards a JJ Boomers. She would do anything for you and make you laugh uncontrollably...her smile was contagious. We love you, ma'am....please watch down upon us.*  
*Cheryl Cohen Perkins*

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**Cheryl Ann Perkins** - March 28, 2023 at 03:31 PM

KG

*I know you will all miss ma grandma deeply. She loned her family, as you all loved her. Jim always thought of her as family. I met Arline on one of our first dates, even before I met his own Ma. Blessings and rest well. Miss you all Kathy.*

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**Kathy Guenther** - March 29, 2023 at 06:17 AM

JM

“ *The loss of Arline has left a big hole in the neighborhood. Her golf buddies will continue her quest for a hole in one. We loved her and miss her.*



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**Joanne Molz** - March 28, 2023 at 11:21 AM

J)

“ Jennifer Ollison ( Sousa ) lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Arline Murphy



Jennifer Ollison ( Sousa ) - March 27, 2023 at 11:15 PM

MI

“ Murph... what a great person. Always a welcoming smile and warm greeting. Both John and Arline treated me great as a young kid hanging around Mt Pleasant. Condolences to her family and may they take comfort in their many happy memories. Mike Maguire

mike - March 27, 2023 at 10:45 PM

SH

“ 3 files added to the album tribute wall



Shirley - March 27, 2023 at 09:23 PM

SM

Those pictures are amazing. 💕💕💕

Sarah Murphy - March 27, 2023 at 11:21 PM

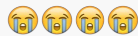
KA

“ Where do I begin...First and foremost, I am so lucky to have had such an amazing woman in my life and even luckier to be able to call you, my Aunt. The countless hours spent at the farm with you and your family, while you made my brother and I feel like one of yours, are treasured memories that will forever be stored in my heart. You shared your strength, wisdom and courage like no other. You made us believe in ourselves like you believed in us. I will truly miss our chats, your advice and encouragement. My wish is that you are smiling and having a hell of a time with your babies and other loved ones. Rest in Peace my forever hero!!



Kathleen Arsenault - March 27, 2023 at 07:58 PM

SM



Sarah Murphy - March 27, 2023 at 11:23 PM

DB

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Dorothy Barrett - March 27, 2023 at 07:55 PM

DB

*My beautiful crazy Auntie*

Dorothy Barrett - March 27, 2023 at 07:55 PM

HA

Miss you! 😭

Hines Ann - March 28, 2023 at 05:04 PM

CL

“ *Christine LaBare lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Arline Murphy*



Christine LaBare - March 27, 2023 at 07:53 PM

RB

“ *Roxane Batherwich lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Arline Murphy*



Roxane Batherwich - March 27, 2023 at 07:52 PM

SM

“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Sarah Murphy - March 27, 2023 at 07:51 PM

SM

“ *Sarah Murphy lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Arline Murphy*



Sarah Murphy - March 27, 2023 at 07:49 PM

BA

“ *Baylee Anderson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Arline Murphy*



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**Baylee Anderson** - March 27, 2023 at 07:20 PM

SM

“ *Sandra Murphy lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Arline Murphy*



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**Sandra Murphy** - March 27, 2023 at 07:19 PM

SR

“ *Sean & Erin Rourke lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Arline Murphy*



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**Sean & Erin Rourke** - March 27, 2023 at 06:14 PM