



Miss Margaret M. Foley

November 21, 1940 - April 24, 2026

Margaret M. Foley

Beloved Sister, Aunt, Cousin, and Friend

LOWELL--Margaret Mary Foley, a long-time resident of Lowell, MA, passed away on Friday, April 24 at the Life Care Center of Merrimack Valley in North Billerica, MA. Born November 21, 1940, in Lowell, MA to James P. and Mary R. (McCabe) Foley, she grew up on Olive Street with her sister, the late Sister St. James (Patricia Foley), and brother, the late James P. Foley.

Margaret graduated High School from Keith Hall in 1958. Upon graduating high school, she joined the convent in upstate New York with the Sisters of Saint Mary of Namur and took the name Sister Mary Hugh after her uncle, the late Rev. Hugh McCabe, OMI.

She had a deep faith in God and enjoyed sharing this with all those around her.

During her time with the convent, she received a Bachelor of Science degree in Education from Mount Saint Joseph College in Buffalo, NY, and spent six years teaching in Catholic Schools with the Sisters of Saint Mary of Namur.

She then earned an LPN degree in Nursing in Washington, DC which she once described as “hotter than hades” and later went on to a fulfilling career in

nursing in Western Massachusetts and after that at the Maine State Hospital in Bangor, ME.

Margie loved nature and particularly Maine and spent as much time as possible there. She would travel via public transportation if she didn't have a ride, just to spend a few days there admiring the loons and whales, shopping for maple syrup, blueberries and everything Maine.

Margie was proud of her Irish heritage and enjoyed listening to Celtic music, reading about the history of Ireland, and celebrating St. Patrick's Day. Towards the end of her life she spoke often about her mother's corned beef and cabbage and said there was nothing she would like more.

Margie is survived by a sister-in-law, Mary Foley, and her nieces and nephew: Tricia Clarke, her husband Don and their daughter Hillary, Erica Smith, her husband Sean and their children Daniel and Caroline, and Jim Foley III. She is also survived by many cousins who she remained close with until her passing.

Family and Friends are invited to Margie's Memorial Funeral Mass on TUESDAY, MAY 26 at 10 AM in the IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH, 144 East Merrimack St. Lowell. Her burial will follow in the family lot in St. Patrick's Cemetery.

As an expression of sympathy, donations in Margie's memory may be made to the Save the Whales Foundation <https://savethewhales.org>.

A MASS IN MARGIE'S MEMORY WILL ALSO BE OFFERED BY THE SISTERS OF ST. MARY OF NAMUR IN BUFFALO, NY.

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Cemetery Details

St. Patrick's Cemetery

1251 Gorham Street
Lowell, MA 01852
(978) 458-8464
<http://www.stpatrickcemetery.com/>

Previous Events

A Memorial Funeral Mass

MAY **26**. 10:00 AM (ET)

Immaculate Conception Church
144 East Merrimack Street
Lowell, MA 01852

Burial

MAY **26**. 11:30 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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“ Sean & Erin Rourke lit a candle in memory of Miss Margaret M. Foley



Sean & Erin Rourke - May 22 at 07:47 AM

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My deepest sympathy to all the family and my prayers to all, may God bless you all. So sorry for your loss.
Carmen Rosado

Carmen Rosado - May 24 at 12:36 PM

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The Sisters of St. Mary are united with the family in prayer, in shared memories of Margie. Maureen Quinn, SSMN

Maureen Quinn - May 26 at 09:00 AM