



## Ann M. Gildow

September 12, 1953 - May 21, 2022

Ann M. Gildow, 68, of Zanesville, passed away peacefully surrounded by her family at 6:24 AM, Saturday, May 21, 2022, following a challenging fight with breast cancer. She was born September 12, 1953, the daughter of Avery D. and Nelle Worstall Carpenter. Ann graduated from Rosecrans High School and continued her education at Ohio University and Zane State College. Her long career in local banking allowed her to work with thousands of people, developing lifelong friendships and focusing on our community. Ann considered her ability to “think outside the box” to help others a valuable asset. Ann has served as Zanesville City Councilwomen at Large for six terms, with the belief that networking and collaboration are integral to progress.

Ann was known for decorating for the holidays, both at her home and for local events. Among her prized possessions were her red, white and blue items and her Jimmy Buffett collection. She believed that festivity and fun were important in all of our lives.

Ann is survived by her daughter, Jean Gildow, and her grandson, Avery, her son, Tom Gildow and Tom’s family, Brigitta and Wyatt Wilson. Also surviving are Ann’s loving sister, Jane (Randy) Abele and the Abele “boys”, Mike, Matt, John and Steve and their families, and Ann’s cousin, Michael (Karen Duffy) Burke. Also surviving are Ann’s canine kid, Bernie, and acquired family, David

Winters, and his dog, Dexter. Ann's close friends were very dear to her, sharing countless experiences, many stories and several margaritas. Ann's life was enriched by her school classmates (Rosecrans Class of 1971), banking buddies, gardening gals, river fans, patriots and many fun friends. It is important to mention the storybook friendship and indelible bond Ann shared with her friend, Sue Culbertson.

Friends may call 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM, Saturday, May 28, 2022, at the Hillis, Combs & Nestor Funeral Home, 935 Forest Avenue, Zanesville, where services to Celebrate Ann's Life will follow at 2:00 PM, with Conrad Wolf officiating. Ann was an organ donor and a caring cremation will take place. In lieu of flowers, friends are asked to consider donating to Muskingum Valley Garden Society or Muskingum County Animal Shelter Society in Ann's memory. To sign the online guestbook or leave a personal note of condolence please visit [www.hilliscombsnestor.com](http://www.hilliscombsnestor.com)

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY **28**. 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM (ET)

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## Funeral Service

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# Tribute Wall

CR

“ My family was struggling financially and Ann forgave a TON of overdraft fees that had piled up before I realized it. She called me later and said she got in trouble for forgiving my debts, and asked me to “tow the line”.... I never missed another payment. She saved Christmas for my children when I truly needed her help. She was my ANGEL. ❤️ from out of nowhere, for NO reason. The best . The absolute best. God bless her. RIP

craig - May 03 at 11:20 PM



“ Ann M. Gildow

October 06, 2023 at 04:22 AM

DD

“ I was so sad to hear of Ann's passing. I worked with her many years at the bank. Always kind, intelligent and hardworking. Such a classy lady. She was also a pillar to our community in many ways. Prayers lifted for her children and family. With sympathy, Deanna 💜

Deanna (Dee) Dingey-Adams - May 31, 2022 at 10:12 PM

JN

“ I enjoyed knowing Ann Gildow through various community events. But, I really got to know Ann while working with her on the Habitat for Humanity Board. I will always admire how compassionate & hard working Ann was. She truly cared about others. I'm very sorry about Ann's passing. Ann was honestly an Angel on Earth. Now, she's one in Heaven. I'm also sorry I can't make it to the services to pay respects. I am recovering from a couple surgeries and still struggling physically. May God Bless Ann and her family.

Jim Newman - May 28, 2022 at 08:28 AM

LT

“ My deepest condolences to the Gildow family. Annie and I worked together at First National Bank and Century National Bank and spent many years as friends along the way. I will always remember the great times and vacations in Florida. The memories are priceless. Rest In Peace my dear friend. Until we meet again, Cheers 🍹



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Linda Teisinger - May 27, 2022 at 05:20 PM

SL

“ Sending thoughts and prayers. I had the pleasure of working with and for Annie at 2 different banks. She had a zest for life and spirit like no other. Zanesville is a better place because of her generous nature. I will truly miss her but have been blessed to have many fond, funny memories. Cheers my friend. Fly High.



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Susan Lasure - May 27, 2022 at 01:26 PM

DM

“ Our thoughts are with Ann's Family. Ann was very special and treated all like they were special with Her contagious smile. We are sad at Her passing but happy to have crossed Her path.  
Darrell & Sandy Miracle  
Mulberry, FL

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Darrell & Sandy Miracle - May 27, 2022 at 11:27 AM

SH

“ *My sympathy to the Gildow family as you celebrate a treasured life...our beautiful Annie.*

*Fondly,*

*Stephanie Harnetty*

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**Stephanie Harnetty** - May 26, 2022 at 07:55 PM

TK

“ *May God Bless the Gildow family*

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**tom and Joellen Kendrick** - May 26, 2022 at 11:16 AM



“ *I met Ann at the bank and we became friends. And remained friends when she became a council member. Our political views did not deter our friendship. My sympathy to Ann's family.*

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**Connie Quarles** - May 26, 2022 at 05:39 AM

AG

“ *I worked with Ann for years she was a great boss and co-worker. She lived life to the fullest she will be greatly missed. Fly high Ann*

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**Angie Grigg** - May 26, 2022 at 05:02 AM

PF

“ I first met Ann and her sister Jane when they moved into their first home on Maple Avenue, next door to my Aunts Mary and Kay Flood. The two families remained very close and their Mom (Nell) brought them over frequently, Our prayers are with Jane and all the family during this sorrowful time.

*Pat Flood*

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**Patrick Flood** - May 24, 2022 at 06:09 PM

VM

*I thought of Ann as a pillar in our community and she will be missed. My condolences to her family and all her knew her. Vicki Whitacre, M.D.*

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**Vicki Whitacre MD** - May 29, 2022 at 03:10 PM

SD

“ I'm so sorry to learn of Ann's passing, and my thoughts and prayers go out to her extended family and friends. A leader by every definition; she inspired passion and motivation thru-out her life.

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**Steve Durant** - May 24, 2022 at 11:58 AM

AC

“ I will think of Ann every time I have a margarita! I'm so sorry we didn't get to have a margarita party in celebration of her getting better.

*My thoughts and prayers are with the family, they have lost a truly special person.*

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**Annie Cornish** - May 24, 2022 at 11:11 AM

DJ

“ *Ann was a very special lady. Always helping others. Thanks Ann!*

Donald G Jones - May 23, 2022 at 11:18 PM

AM

“ *Ann will never be forgotten. My heartfelt sympathy to her family and friends. She was a beautiful person full of compassion for others. I always considered her a family friend, welcome in our family home anytime.*

*She was a bright light in this world spreading joy, laughter and love to all those who knew her. May she rest in peace.*

*Jane Andrea Mattingly*



Andrea Mattingly - May 23, 2022 at 11:08 PM

KH

“ *I'm still trying to accept the fact that Ann is no longer among us. I am SO grateful I was able to spend time with her during these last months, when she felt strong enough to go out and about. We shared many laughs and many memories. She was one of the funniest, wittiest human beings, and so kind and generous and loving. I've known and loved her since our childhoods and she will forever be in my heart.*

*Kelley Mattingly Harrison*

Kelley Harrison - May 23, 2022 at 08:29 PM

BF

*Ann U will surely be missed there was definitely not a dull moment when U were with her,RIP Ann . Bonnie Faulk*

Bonnie Faulk - May 24, 2022 at 12:03 AM

SJ

“ Ann was a beautiful person inside and out. Ann was a true friend with a caring heart overflowing with love and compassion for others. She lived life to the fullest on her unselfish journey through life. She was a courageous fighter in her battle against cancer. My life, along with many others, have Ann’s loving smile and kindness forever stamped on our hearts. Ann will be greatly missed, but never never forgotten. Finally, I say “Thank You” to her family for sharing Ann with all of us. My prayers are with all of you for comfort, peace and understanding.

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**Sandy Jones** - May 23, 2022 at 07:40 PM

LS

“ I know of no one who loved life and lived it to the fullest....more than Ann. She was one beautiful, fun, caring, brave lady. I am blessed to have known her. We’ll all drink one for you, Annie. God bless. Rest in heavenly peace. Much sorrow for your family and all who were lucky enough to have known you. Love you, Lynda

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**Lynda Sharrer** - May 23, 2022 at 04:27 PM

DS

“ I am so sorry for your loss of this precious, kind and fun-loving lady, Ann. We became friends many many years ago through banking. What a wonderful person she was and will be missed greatly!

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**Debbie St.Clair** - May 23, 2022 at 01:17 PM

TG

“ A very dear friend and co-worker for many years. You have always had a heart of gold and will be missed. Fly high Annie.

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**Theresa Gilligan** - May 23, 2022 at 11:32 AM

KS

“ My heart is broken over the loss of our dear Ann. She was such a treasure as a friend and a part of our Rosecrans Class of 1971. I will forever be grateful for the fun memories we made this past August on our 50th High School reunion. Heaven has gotten the perfect angel. Rest In Peace sweet friend. 💔🙏

Kathi Stampley - May 23, 2022 at 11:18 AM

VH

“ Annie was the sharpest, wittiest, fun loving person I ever met. She called me “Ginny Mae” and I am blessed to have known her friendship.

Virginia Hanifan - May 23, 2022 at 11:15 AM

BS

“ She was a amazing woman, and a friend to many. She will be sadly missed 😭.

Beverly Savage - May 23, 2022 at 11:07 AM

KS

Ann was the most beautiful, kind, smart, uplifting, funny soul i have ever met. I always left every visit or shopping trip with her feeling thankful and blessed for her friendship. I met Ann through my late husband Ed Saliba who knew her since they were in school together. My husband gave me many beautiful gifts during our time together but introducing me to Ann was one of the best! I hope they are both on the other side laughing together. I love and miss you both.

Kelly Saliba - May 23, 2022 at 09:07 PM