



Anne Cahalane Free

May 8, 1932 - December 26, 2013

Anne Cahalane Free, age 81 of Toledo, died at home on Thursday December 26, 2013. She was born to Daniel and Mildred Cahalane on May 8, 1932, in Weehawken, NJ. She was a graduate of Brown University and Indiana University. Anne spent her career teaching English at the University of Toledo and was a talented artist in embroidery and quilting. She also did extensive volunteering at WGTE and the Toledo Museum of Art.

Anne is survived by her loving husband, William Norris Free Sr.; children, William Norris (Sharon) Free, Jr., Greer, SC, Anne Rebecca (Rory Turner) Free, Baltimore, MD, and Daniel Louis (Jennifer) Free, Marlton, NJ; grandchildren, Zachary Winston Free, Catherine Anne Turner, Jacob William Free, Andrew Michael Free, and brother, Daniel Cahalane. She was preceded in death by her parents.

Family and friends may visit at the Coyle Funeral Home, 1770 S. Reynolds; on Sunday, December 29th from 2-8 p.m. where a Scripture Service will be held at 7 p.m. Funeral services will be held on Monday, December 30th beginning at 9:30 a.m., in the mortuary, followed by a Funeral Mass at St. Patrick of Heatherdowns Church at 10 a.m. Interment will follow in Calvary Cemetery.

Memorials may take the form of contributions to the Toledo Museum of Art and WGTE.

Cemetery Details

Calvary Cemetery

2224 Dorr St.
Toledo, OH 43607

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC **29**. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Coyle Funeral and Cremation Services
1770 S. Reynolds Road
Toledo, OH 43614
(419) 865-1295
<https://www.coylefuneralhome.com>

Scripture Service

DEC **29**. 7:00 PM (ET)

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Funeral

DEC **30**. 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Patrick of Heatherdowns Church

Tribute Wall

LI

“ Dear Free Family and Friends,
I am so very sorry to hear of the loss of your dear loved one. Please accept my sincere condolences. May it comfort you to know that The Most High God has resurrected humans before and He assures us He will do it again. (Acts24:15). God longs to bring back those who have fallen asleep in death to perfect health under paradisaic conditions. (Job14:14,15)

Lisa - December 31, 2013 at 09:58 AM

PR

“ Ann's wit and intellectual contributions will be greatly missed at our monthly book group. I greatly admired her and appreciated her views. My sincere condolences to her devoted husband, children, and grandchildren.

Sincerely,
Pat Russell

Pat Russell - December 30, 2013 at 12:24 AM

VC

“ Bill,
I was shocked and saddened to read of Anne's death in The Blade this morning. I am sorry for your loss and hope you will ever be comforted by your memories of your lives together.

Sincerely,
Virginia Chambers

Virginia Chambers - December 29, 2013 at 06:05 PM

EB

“ *Bill and family,
Was sorry to read about Anne's passing today. I always enjoyed knowing she would be the volunteer with whom I would be working at the museum. We had so many interesting conversations about shared interests and more than a few laughs.*
Ed Bachmeyer

Ed Bachmeyer - December 29, 2013 at 11:51 AM

SS

“ *Dr. Free, I am out of town for the holidays visiting my daughter's family in Maryland; otherwise, I would be sending more personal condolences to you and your family. I am so sorry to hear of your lovely wife's passing. I liked Anne very much; over the years, we shared many conversations about the joys and problems of reaching out to students in our writing classes. She was a "voice of experience" on which I came to rely in the earlier part of my career. I think of her every time I see you around the department and know that the two of you enjoyed a beautiful partnership. I am so sorry for your loss.---**Suzanne Smith*

Suzanne Smith - December 28, 2013 at 07:42 PM

CN

To my former colleague Bill,

I read with sadness for you the report of the loss of your beloved life partner Anne. December may be the cruelest month. In your sorrow of mourning, I hope you find the strength of your faith to carry you through to faith and hope in the eternal joy of a life well-lived, a union enduring.

Carol Nelson-Burns

Carol Nelson-Burns - January 02, 2014 at 01:50 PM