



Marjorie Ann Botelho

October 24, 1946 - November 28, 2024

Marjorie Ann Botelho, 78, passed away peacefully, surrounded by family, on November 28 after a battle with lung cancer.

Margie was born October 24, 1946, in the Bronx to Sidney and Lucille Jacobs. She was raised in Queens and on Long Island where she graduated from Roslyn High School. After obtaining a degree from Sargent College at Boston University, she taught physical education in the Boston area.

While in Boston, Margie met Frank, a civil engineer from Massachusetts. They fell in love and got married in 1970. After living in Massachusetts for three years, Frank's job brought them to Washington, DC and they made Springfield, Virginia their long-time home.

After giving birth to two daughters, Margie took time off from teaching to raise the girls. She had some part time jobs along the way, one of which was as a Jazzercise instructor in the 1980s. She was a natural athlete and loved to dance. When the girls were older, Margie went to work for the Fairfax County School System teaching PE at Irving Middle School and Sangster Elementary School. While at Sangster, Margie led "Jump Rope for Heart," an award-winning, highly-successful fundraiser that raised money for the American Heart Association each February.

With her patient and caring demeanor, it was no surprise that she became the favorite teacher of so many. She never forgot a face and would recognize and say “hi” to students nearly everywhere she went.

Retirement from teaching and grandchildren came about the same time. Margie was a devoted grandmother who loved watching dance productions, basketball games, swim meets, piano recitals and more. There wasn't a family activity that she missed. She also spent time with her many friends, going out for lunch, and playing Mah-jongg.

Margie is survived by her husband, Frank Botelho; her daughters, Lisa Lynam (James), and Jamie Wineland (Brett); her grandchildren, Halle, Jamison, Sydney, and Chase, and brother Larry Jacobs (Cynthia). A funeral service will take place at Temple B'nai Shalom, 7612 Old Ox Rd., Fairfax Station, Virginia on Thursday, December 5 at 12:30 pm. Interment King David Memorial Gardens.

In lieu of flowers, please consider contributions in Margie's name to the Cancer Vaccine Coalition (<https://cancervaccinecoalition.org/>)

Cemetery Details

King David Memorial Gardens

Hollywood Rd.
FALLS CHURCH
FALLS CHURCH, VA 22043

Previous Events

Funeral Service

DEC 5. 12:30 PM - 1:30 PM (ET)

Temple B'nai Shalom
7612 Old Ox Rd
Fairfax Station, VA 22039-2523
(703) 764-2901

Graveside Service

DEC 5. 2:00 PM - 2:30 PM (ET)

King David Memorial Gardens
Hollywood Road
Falls Church, VA 22043
(703) 560-4400

Tribute Wall

JB

“*Margie will be sadly missed by the Burns family. We will never forget Frank and Margie dancing to Chubby Checker at his Mohegan Sun concert. Our condolences. John and Barbara*

John Burns - December 07, 2024 at 11:14 AM

DJ

“ *I have a cool family
My Aunt Margie...top notch cool.
Dynamic, fun, adorable, fashionable, superstar, (much like her
father,...with the dancing and singing and the smiling with her
whole face that made you feel...special.*

*The quintessential big sister, knowing better but sweet to her
brother, gatekeeper of memories and the stories of their youth.
Keeping the family ties in good order.*

*She made you feel loved and doted on, a hostess with the mostess.
Using pet names like sweetheart and darling. Always calling for
birthdays and sending cards. Both sort of a lost art.*

*The making people feel loved is what stands out. That is THE most
important thing in our existence and she was superb at that.*

*It's weird that someone with so much love and life has transitioned
onto the next astro plane.*

*From what I've heard from people who study these 'dimensions' I
believe she was greeted by Boomer by her mom and dad, the
grandparents and all the ancestors that are also supporting us right
now in our grief.*

We love you back Aunt Margie.

Danielle Jacobs - December 06, 2024 at 10:38 PM

JR

“ After years of teaching Physical Education and after retiring and continuing our PE sister closeness, I I can truly tell you that Margi was one of the most beautiful ladies I have ever known. She was beautiful inward and outward and cared so much for her family. Very few had such a radiant smile and I will always remember that. She made the most of life and can only be admired for meeting each challenge with vigor. My condolences to the family. Your friend and peer, Jane Rill

Jane Rill - December 04, 2024 at 12:08 PM

BG

“ One of my neighborhood moms growing up. Part of my world since I was 8...mom of the “girls next door”. Always so sweet to me and pretty sure I never deserved it. First memory...I had just moved next door, crushed a flower next to her driveway chasing a frisbee. She saw the whole thing from her garage and came out to me pretty quickly. She said, “If you’re going to run through my yard, you should know my name.” I replied that her name was Mrs. Hotel-O. She said “No, it’s Botelho...B-O-T-E-L-H-O. Next time you see me, I want you to say Hi, Mrs. Botelho...and I want you to spell it.” I thought this was some kind of trade she was making instead of telling my mom I ruined one of her plants. I practiced and practiced (kept forgetting the H). Next day, saw her...I hollered out “Hi Mrs. B-O-T-E-L-H-O!!”. She smiled and said “Just Mrs. Botelho from now on Brad.” I didn’t correct her that my name is Brett.

Brett Griffin - December 03, 2024 at 08:20 PM

JJ

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Jay Jupiter - December 02, 2024 at 07:13 PM

LM

“ To say I was a friend of Margie’s does not really describe our relationship. We met as freshman at Boston University in 1964. We were not roommates during our school years, but friends, and when we both decided to take teaching jobs in Massachusetts, we decided to live together. We were there for each other and happy our husbands became friends too. We went through weddings, the birth of our children, and the trials and tribulations of raising them and what ever life threw our way. We could chat about everything, she was the sister I never had. I will miss her. Lynda Mahoney

Lynda Mahoney - December 01, 2024 at 02:00 PM

SM

“ I met Margie through Frank. She was the light of his life, she brought sunshine with her where ever she we went. While many years would pass between meetings, it was always like seeing a long lost friend whether it was diinner at their house, a dinner at a conference or a telephone call around the holidays. She will be missed by all. Sending much love to Frank and all the family. Sue McNeil

Sue McNeil - November 30, 2024 at 05:59 PM

CJ

“ How do you put years of wonderful memories into a concise paragraph? Margie was a very special sister-in-law, who from the very 1st time I met her, made me feel welcomed, included and loved. What a pleasure to hear her laugh, sing and what a joy to watch her dance! A truly amazing person who will be sorely missed by so many. I'm so lucky to have had her in my life.

Cynthia Jacobs - November 30, 2024 at 04:08 PM

RR

“ No matter how many miles there was between us, we stayed fast friends. We met in 1980 on line at Giant when our eldest daughters were 3 years old. We bonded immediately! We went on to become co-presidents of Hadassah melding our strengths while navigating our weaknesses. She was there for me through the tough times and the happy ones too. Grateful for seeing you one last time. Be in peace my friend.

Ronni Reed - November 30, 2024 at 10:27 AM

SS

Margie was my first cousin once removed. Our mothers were first cousins. My grandfather and Margie's grandmother were brother and sister. Growing up we saw each other occasionally, but became friends when our mothers moved to Florida and we'd spend Passover Seders at our mother's homes. We kept in touch over the years visiting occasionally and speaking on the phone. I will always remember Margie's warmth and how she cared for others. I will miss her friendship. She will be in my heart forever.

Sandra Sanders - December 01, 2024 at 08:59 PM