



Kathleen Adair Ingram Ward

October 11, 1931 - March 15, 2021

Kathleen Adair Ingram Ward died peacefully in her 90th year at home with her family after a long struggle with dementia.

She was preceded in death by her parents John Gordon Ingram and Marie Jessie Major Ingram, her brother Douglas R. Ingram and her husband John Joseph “Jack” Ward Jr., many years ago. She raised her three children single handedly and was a very dedicated “sports and other activities” mom. She graduated from Eleanor McMain High School in New Orleans and was very involved as an alumna of the Class of 1949. She then attended Tulane University, planning to major in geology but met her future husband Jack and deferred her education while raising her children. After many years teaching Language Arts and Mathematics full-time to elementary school students, she completed her own studies earning a Major in Education and graduated Cum Laude from LSUNO in 1974. She was a dedicated teacher in Jefferson Parish for 39 years, first at Saint Matthew the Apostle in Little Farms, then at Hazel Park-Hilda Knoff in Harahan. She was voted Teacher of the Year in 1989 and is remembered fondly by the many students whose lives she touched and influenced.

She leaves behind a grieving and loving family - brother Donald F. Ingram (Kay); children John Joseph “Jack” Ward, III MD (Karen Pendleton MD), Mary Louise Ward Seymour, MD (Teri Brasher) and Kathleen Clare Ward; grandchildren Benjamin T. Seymour and John Brian Seymour MD (Cortney); three great grandchildren Beau, Lilly and Violet Seymour, as well as many adoring nieces and nephews.

Our family would like to thank Dr. Matthew McClanahan for the compassionate and exceptional hospital care he provided to our mother during the last few months of her life. We are also especially grateful to the staff of Egan Hospice who assisted her in her final weeks.

In lieu of memorial services her family will disperse her ashes in locations with special meaning to her and our family.

If anyone wishes to make a donation in her memory, please consider the following organization which was very special to Kathleen, Water and Youth Safety Pensacola, 9905 Stone Meadow Road, Pensacola, Florida, 32514.

Comments



“ So sorry for your loss. She taught both my sister & I at St. Matthew and my kids at Hazel Park, which she called children of her former students her "gran-students". We all agreed she was one of our favorite teachers. Deepest sympathy to you all and we'll always keep a good thought for her.

John Poimboeuf - March 22 at 01:35 PM



“ We have so many wonderful memories of Aunt Kathleen. She was loved by so many people from our youngest family members to the oldest.

She may be gone but she will always remain in our hearts and minds.

Jack, Colleen, Will, Carey, Yasmin and Anya Lynch

Jack Lynch - March 18 at 07:14 PM