



## Mary G George

February 4, 2008

Mary G. George entered into eternal rest with the Lord on Monday, Feb. 4, 2008. A loving wife, mother and friend, Mary will be missed by all who were touched by her infectious enthusiasm and gentle heart. Mary Tzanakis was born Nov. 8, 1931, in Toledo to Gust and Bessie Tzanakis. She grew up in the North End with her older sisters, Akrie and Sarah, who helped raise her. Mary graduated from Woodward High School in 1949 and attended Davis Business College. She began her career as a secretary for the City of Toledo and later worked as a secretary for the Toledo Public Schools, including many happy and fulfilling years in the Fine Arts Department at the district's administration building, where she made many friends. Mary was wed to the love of her life, W. Michael "Buddy" George, on May 21, 1960, at Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Cathedral, the church where she grew up and learned her strong and enduring Christian faith. A daughter, Susan, was born the next year, and a son, Robert, followed two years after that. Mary loved being a mother and often described her early years with Susie and Bobby as the happiest of her life. Mary also loved being YaYia to her grandchildren, Gina and Adam, and delighted in their school, athletic, and musical activities. Mary was a longtime member of St. Elias Antiochian Orthodox Christian Church and its Ladies Club. She sang in the St. Elias choir, visited the sick and elderly, and baked and cooked for church festivals and dinners. Mary belonged to the Woodward '49ers and enjoyed attending lunches and other get-togethers with her classmates. She was a member of Conn-Weisenberger Post 578 Auxiliary of

the American Legion and the Woodley Seniors. Mary is survived by her devoted husband, Michael; daughter, Susan G. (Stephen) Murphy; and grandchildren, Gina and Adam Murphy. She was preceded in death by her beloved son, Robert M. George, and her sisters, Akrie Bellas and Sarah Ball. Visitation will be from 2 to 8 p.m. Wednesday at Ansberg-West Funeral Home, 3000 West Sylvania Avenue., with Trisagion prayers at 7 p.m. Services will be at 11 a.m. Thursday at St. Elias Antiochian Orthodox Christian Church, 4940 Harroun Rd., Sylvania, the Very Rev. Fr. Paul Albert presiding. Burial will be in Toledo Memorial Park. Memorial tributes may be made to St. Elias Antiochian Orthodox Christian Church, Franciscan Care Center or the Holy Transfiguration Monastery, in Ellwood City, PA. Mary's family wishes to express our special thanks to the caring and compassionate staffs at the Franciscan Center and the Goerlich Center, where she spent her final months.

# Tribute Wall

JJ

“ To Mary's family, Please accept my sincere condolences in this time of loss. I had the pleasure of working with Mary when I was a new administrator in Voc. Ed., and I'll always remember her sunny personality and the kindness that was so much of her personality. As the years passed, when we would run into each other, she always asked about how my family was, and was genuinely interested in my responses. She was truly a wonderful person, and I know her strong faith helped and supported her throughout her life. I hope fond memories, and notes like this, can bring a bit of comfort at this difficult time. Sincerely, Joe Giannetti

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**Joe Giannetti** - joseph4711@yahoo.com joseph4711@yahoo.com - February 01, 2018 at 12:00 AM

DK

“ Dear family of Mary George, Please know how sorry I was to read of Mary's passing. I had worked with her several times at the Administration Bldg for the Toledo Public Schools. She was always a very kind lady and nice to know. She will be missed by many.

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**Dawn Keller** - February 01, 2018 at 12:00 AM

BP

“ Dear Mike, Susie, and Steve, Please accept our sincerest condolences on Mary's passing. She was a wonderful, kind, and sweet lady. You are in our thoughts and prayers.

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**Barbara and John Patroulis** - February 01, 2018 at 12:00 AM

PP

“ Mike, Sue, and Steve: My heart goes out to you with the loss of Mary. She always had a very special place in my heart, as do you. From the first time I met her (when I started babysitting in 1960), I always thought she was such a warm and wonderful lady. I kept in touch with Mary and Mike all these years and kept track of Sue and Bob. It was so sad to hear of Bob's death in 1993; he was so young and full of life. My thoughts and prayers are with you in the days to come.

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**Pat Ardner - patardner@att.net patardner@att.net** - February 01, 2018 at 12:00 AM

PP

“ My Aunt Mary was a guardian angel on loan from Heaven just like my mother!

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**Peter Bellas - peter@allaccess.la peter@allaccess.la** - February 01, 2018 at 12:00 AM

TT

“ My sincere condolences to Mr. W.Michael George and family. I am a recent retired TPS music teacher and met Mary early in my career. Mary was a kind, generous, and caring individual. She was very professional taking care of the Fine Arts Department under Bruce Jacobson. May God Bless you and the family!

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**Teresa Linares - tlinares@bex.net tlinares@bex.net** - February 01, 2018 at 12:00 AM

BB

“ Please accept our sincere sympathy to the family of Mary George. Mary was a wonderful addition to the Fine Arts Department and her loyalty and good humor helped make every day a joy. She treated all the teachers and visitors to our department with friendliness and respect and always worked to improve our support and service to the Fine Arts program. Every Christmas we looked forward to seeing the latest pictures of Gina and Adam ? how proud she was of her grandchildren. We will all miss Mary?s optimistic views of life. I?m sure all of the Fine Arts teachers join me in extending condolences to you. Mike, Suzie, Stephen, Gina and Adam, you are all in our thoughts. Georgia and Bruce Jacobson

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“ My sympathy to you Mike, Susan & family on the loss of your wonderful wife and mother. Donations will be made in her honor to Alzheimer's .

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**Jerry Kucharski (West)** - February 01, 2018 at 12:00 AM

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“ Sue, I am so sorry for the loss of your mother. Please extend my condolences to your father for me. Your mother was such a sweet and caring person. I have many great memories with all of your family and you will all be in my prayers.

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**Joseph P. Musil - jmusil@verizon.net jmusil@verizon.net** - February 01, 2018 at 12:00 AM