



Jacqueline "Jackie" Wallace

September 10, 1944 - April 14, 2026

Jacqueline "Jackie" Wallace, beloved daughter of Joe and Rose Racich, passed away peacefully on April 14, 2026, at the age of 81. Jackie was the embodiment of grace, beauty, and quiet confidence. She carried herself with a natural charm that made you smile. She had a remarkable way of knowing exactly who she was and what she wanted, a strength she instilled in those who loved her.

Jackie was deeply intelligent, endlessly kind, and the truest definition of a mother, grandmother, and friend—steadfast, caring, and always present. Whether tending to her garden, enjoying the classic movies she loved, or simply spending time with those closest to her, Jackie created a sense of comfort and belonging wherever she was. Her warmth and wisdom will continue to guide her family for generations.

Jackie's legacy is lovingly carried on by John, her husband of 60 years; her siblings, Louise (Bill) Weiss and Joe (Jessica) Racich; her children, John (Jane) Wallace and Jim Wallace; and her four grandchildren, Morgan (Michael) Tzolov, Alayna Wallace, Cami Wallace, and James Mores-Wallace.

Friends are invited to visit with the family from 12 p.m. to 4 p.m. with a prayer service at 2 p.m. on Sunday, April 19, 2026, at Burns Funeral Home & Crematory, 10101 Broadway, Crown Point. A Mass of Christian Burial will take

place on Monday, April 20, 2026, at 10:30 a.m. directly at St. Michael the Archangel Church, 1 W. Wilhelm St. Schererville. Rev. Marty Dobrzynski officiating. Interment Calumet Park Cemetery, Merrillville, IN. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Franciscan Health Foundation Nursing Excellence Fund, <https://www.franciscanhealthfoundation.org/about/northern/>, 2050 N. Main St, Ste A, Crown Point, IN 46307, 219.661.3401. Please visit Jackie's online obituary and guestbook at www.burnsfuneral.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 19. 12:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

Burns Funeral Home & Crematory - Crown Point
10101 Broadway
Crown Point, IN 46307
(219) 769-0044
info@burnsfuneral.com
<https://www.burnsfuneral.com/>

Prayer Service

APR 19. 2:00 PM (CT)

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Mass of Christian Burial

APR 20. 10:30 AM (CT)

St. Michael the Archangel
1 W. Wilhelm St
Schererville, IN 46375

Tribute Wall

BB

“ I met Jackie at the Bookclub at Dyer-Schererville Public Library and we became friends, as “the September girls” like she used to say. Her charming and elegant ways, as her nice manners and positive view of the books and the world in general made quite an impression on me. We enjoyed sharing life experiences and family stories in our brunches. She will be missed a lot by all of us, her friends. But we have the beautiful memories and pictures to give us comfort. RIP, dear friend.

Betty Britto - April 19 at 11:12 PM

EM

“ Eric Marr purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Jacqueline "Jackie" Wallace.



Eric Marr - April 19 at 05:51 PM

EM

“ Eric Marr planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jacqueline "Jackie" Wallace.

Eric Marr - April 19 at 05:51 PM

JL

“ I was devastated to hear Jackie had passed. Jackie and I had been friends since our high school days at Lew Wallace. After high school we went to Ball State University where we were roommates. I was one of her bridesmaids at their beautiful wedding and she was one of mine. Jackie and I grew up together enjoying many “secrets” along the way. After getting married, we kept in touch mainly by going out to eat—Teibel’s was our favorite and sometimes we even included our husbands.

Jackie was smart, funny, sophisticated, religious, outgoing, and loved her family of which she was so proud. She never forgot me even after I couldn’t physically join her for lunch—a true friend. I will miss her presence, but I do have wonderful memories.

Mike and I want to extend our deepest condolences to John and all the family.

Judy and Mike LeDuc

Judy LeDuc - April 19 at 01:59 PM

RO

“ I always thought of Jackie as my version of Jacqueline Kennedy. She was gracious and kind and thoughtful. Listening to her talk about her granddaughters with pride and enthusiasm made me want to be a grandma! She always had a kind word to say and made me feel very important in RCIA.

Roxann - April 19 at 12:57 PM



“ Sympathy Gourmet Charcuterie Gift Basket was purchased for the family of Jacqueline "Jackie" Wallace.



April 18 at 04:40 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Jacqueline "Jackie" Wallace.

April 18 at 04:40 PM



“ Even though I am a family friend, Jackie always treated me like family. Her beautiful smile and kind words welcomed me at gatherings. It was enjoyable chatting with her, and she always showed interest in my family. I will miss her greatly.
In deepest sympathy,
Jeni Thiel

Jeni Thiel - April 18 at 02:06 PM



“ Your La Trattoria Key West Family purchased the Gracious Lavender Basket for the family of Jacqueline "Jackie" Wallace.



Your La Trattoria Key West Family - April 17 at 10:30 PM



“ Amy and Bill Lay purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of Jacqueline "Jackie" Wallace.



Amy and Bill Lay - April 17 at 10:23 PM

AL

“ Amy and Bill Lay planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jacqueline "Jackie" Wallace.

Amy and Bill Lay - April 17 at 10:23 PM

FO

“ May Jacqueline have eternal joy and peace in the presence of God.

Fr David Kelly, OFM - April 17 at 10:13 PM

DK

“ Our family is so sad to hear of the passing of our longtime dear friend Jackie Wallace. We have been friends for more than 50 years. There have been many good times. Great memories of concerts, dances, parties, vacations and holidays with children and grandchildren. We will always remember Jackie's great smile and laugh. Our life was better for having known Jackie and John. Our deepest condolences to John, Jim and Johnny and all the family. Jackie will be missed by many! Rest in peace dear friend. 🙏

Dave and Beth Kaminski - April 17 at 05:52 PM

LK

“ Linda, Jackie & Larry, Bobbie & Kent purchased the Enduring Grace for the family of Jacqueline "Jackie" Wallace.



Linda, Jackie & Larry, Bobbie & Kent - April 17 at 04:51 PM

LK

“ Linda, Jackie & Larry, Bobbie & Kent planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jacqueline "Jackie" Wallace.

Linda, Jackie & Larry, Bobbie & Kent - April 17 at 04:51 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Jacqueline "Jackie" Wallace.



April 17 at 03:59 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Jacqueline "Jackie" Wallace.

April 17 at 03:59 PM

EH

“ I meant Jackie at Gaia Salon. We connected immediately because we were both graduates of Lew Wallace High School. She was a lovely person . May her memory be eternal.

Elaine Diamond Hayes

Elaine Hayes - April 17 at 02:47 PM

SC

“ Stacy C. planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jacqueline "Jackie" Wallace.

Stacy C. - April 17 at 02:03 PM

TF

“ *The Hoffman Family purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Jacqueline "Jackie" Wallace.*



The Hoffman Family - April 17 at 01:35 PM

MD

“ *Mary Beth and Dak purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Jacqueline "Jackie" Wallace.*



Mary Beth and Dak - April 17 at 12:57 PM

MD

“ *Mary Beth and Dak planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jacqueline "Jackie" Wallace.*

Mary Beth and Dak - April 17 at 12:57 PM

KT

“ *Karen and Tom purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Jacqueline "Jackie" Wallace.*



Karen and Tom - April 17 at 12:01 PM



“ *In Heaven's Arms Bouquet was purchased for the family of Jacqueline "Jackie" Wallace.*



April 17 at 11:36 AM



“ *Saltbox Family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Jacqueline "Jackie" Wallace.*



Saltbox Family - April 17 at 10:16 AM



“ *Saltbox Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jacqueline "Jackie" Wallace.*

Saltbox Family - April 17 at 10:16 AM



“ *Dalton, Weinewuth, and Schmeltz planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jacqueline "Jackie" Wallace.*

Dalton, Weinewuth, and Schmeltz - April 16 at 11:54 PM

DS

“ Dalton, Weinewuth, and Schmeltz purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Jacqueline "Jackie" Wallace.



Dalton, Weinewuth, and Schmeltz - April 16 at 11:54 PM

SA

“ I have known Jackie since before we were married & working at the Anderson Co.
I was in her & Johns wedding. Such a warm, caring & loving person anyone would be fortunate to know. We did things as couples & had such fun being together.
We were close friends & kept in touch for the last 60 years.
I will miss her terribly & always remember her with love. I am so sorry she is gone but she is in Heaven with our loving Lord 🙏
God Bless John & Family 🕊
Sandy & Jim Austgen

Sandra Austgen - April 16 at 08:37 PM

AD

“ I first met Jackie at the Schererville Garden Club. Our shared interest in gardening made it easy to become fast friends. Her home and yard were always beautifully adorned with lovely floral colors. I so enjoyed my garden tours of her yard. Always a gracious hostess, she would serve tea and cookies in her living room before we would set out to stores of every kind - even thrift stores to find inexpensive items to place in our gardens. We always had to stop at Artful Garden as well to get the really good stuff! We could talk about anything. We laughed, we cried, we shared our life stories. She loved her family beyond measure. Jackie was a true gift from God to me, and I will deeply miss her sweet, kind spirit. Rest in peace, dear friend. Love, Arleen Duffy

Arleen Duffy - April 16 at 07:24 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Jacqueline "Jackie" Wallace.

April 16 at 05:26 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Jacqueline "Jackie" Wallace.



April 16 at 05:26 PM

MW

“ I knew Jackie through the Dyer-Schererville book club for many years. We've gone out for lunch together after book club. Jackie always had a warm smile and a friendly greeting whenever she saw people. She enjoyed discussing the books and had thoughtful comments during our discussions. I will dearly miss her presence. I send my heartfelt condolence to Jackie's family and loved ones. May her memory be a blessing. Love, Marsha Weiner

Marsha Weiner - April 16 at 04:14 PM

TF

“ The Johnston family purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Jacqueline "Jackie" Wallace.



The Johnston family - April 16 at 02:14 PM

TF

“ The DeSitter family purchased the In Heaven's Arms Bouquet for the family of Jacqueline "Jackie" Wallace.



The DeSitter family - April 16 at 02:05 PM

JB

“ I first met Jackie at book club at the Dyer-Schererville library over 20 years ago. We enjoyed going out to lunch after the book club. We went to some of the new release movies as well. She was a good and caring friend during a difficult time in my life. She loved her family and going to the beach at her time share. She liked to dine out and bake special desserts. She was a good listener and although soft-spoken, was not shy about voicing her opinions. My deepest sympathy to John and her family. I will miss her.

Jane Butkus - April 16 at 12:02 PM

JK

“ Jackie was a long-time member of the library's book club - I got to know her every month and she always had a kind word and a smile. Seeing her and our other club members talk about their lives and what they read was always a highlight of my week, and I'm so grateful to have gotten to know her these last few years. - Justina Kaiser and the staff of Dyer-Schererville Library

Justina Kaiser - April 16 at 10:24 AM

SD

“ Steve B Steve D Mark Dennis Alex Dan purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Jacqueline "Jackie" Wallace.



Steve B Steve D Mark Dennis Alex Dan - April 16 at 09:50 AM