



Margaret "Pegg" Sangerman

November 4, 1951 - December 18, 2024

Margaret "Pegg" Sangerman (née McGuan) was taken from us suddenly on Wednesday, December 18, 2024. She was a dedicated spouse to Mike Sangerman for 46 years, mother of Samantha Babcock (Mark Babcock), and Max Sangerman, and grandmother to Adrian Michael Babcock.

Pegg lived a life of overflowing enthusiasm for her faith, family, friends, and music. She was an avid supporter of the arts, and while she performed in many local theater productions herself, she was most proud of her husband, Mike, daughter, Samantha, and son, Max, all of whom are consummate performers. Pegg's happiest moments were attending every performance of theirs that she could, and she traveled across the country to support their careers.

Those of us lucky enough to have Pegg in our lives knew her as the most generous and loyal spouse, mother, sister, daughter, aunt, cousin, or friend. She fought for us. She was fierce and compassionate, and Pegg backed down to no one. And most memorably, Pegg was brilliant and spontaneously funny--quick with a quip or impersonation--and the life of every party she attended. At the slightest provocation, she could adopt her alter ego, Natasha Fatale, Russian accent and all, and entertain us as the cartoon spy. It never got old, and neither did Pegg. News reports referring to Pegg as an "elderly" woman were slanderous. Always glamorous and full of panache, Pegg was an icon of style.

Pegg was preceded in death by her father, George McGuan and mother,

Rosemarie. She is survived by husband, Mike, daughter, Samantha (Mark) of Chicago, IL, son, Max of New York, NY, grandson, Adrian Michael Babcock, and her four brothers, George (Mary Ann) McGuan of Miller Beach, IN, Bernard (Susan) McGuan of Wheaton, IL, Paul (Diana) McGuan of Milwaukee, WI and Joseph (Kathryn) of Austin, TX.

Losing a life so full of vivacity and so unexpectedly leaves a huge void for us all. Pegg was genuine and sincere, energetic and spontaneous, and loving without reservation. Her company was spellbinding as theater itself-- temporarily suspending belief and reality as you knew it. You could prepare but never be fully ready for her. Once you were drawn into Pegg's orbit, you were taken for a thrill ride full of emotion, and the joy of a life lived to the fullest. Our lives feel smaller now, but then we always knew, dear sister, the world was never meant for one as beautiful as you.

Memorial Mass November 4, 2025 at 10:00 AM at St. Mary of the Lake Catholic Church 6060 Miller Ave, Gary, IN 46403

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Previous Events

Memorial Mass

NOV 4. 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Mary Of The Lake Catholic Church
6060 Miller Ave
Gary, IN 46403

Tribute Wall



“ Wait cousin, I lived in Detroit. How is it that you introduced me to Motown and KNEW ALL THE WORDS????? No one will ever know or comprehend the many lives you touched and how far that fairy dust actually spread. Love you, Mimi

Maureen Street - January 15, 2025 at 07:13 AM



“ Ruth M. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Margaret "Pegg" Sangerman.

Ruth M. - January 11, 2025 at 08:17 AM



“ Beverly Miller
Peggy was a member of our Gough family. She was delightful, funny, and a wonderful person.
We will miss her

Beverly Miller - January 06, 2025 at 05:39 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Margaret "Pegg" Sangerman.



January 06, 2025 at 02:55 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Margaret "Pegg" Sangerman.

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“ Joyful Memory was purchased for the family of Margaret "Pegg" Sangerman.



January 05, 2025 at 02:41 PM



“ Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Margaret "Pegg" Sangerman.



January 05, 2025 at 02:38 PM



“ Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Margaret "Pegg" Sangerman.



January 05, 2025 at 02:27 PM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Margaret "Pegg" Sangerman.*



January 05, 2025 at 02:10 PM



“ *Love, love, love her. My deep condolences dear family and friends.. will continue to pray. She lives in my heart as a wonderful friend.*

Maria Salazar - January 04, 2025 at 02:09 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Margaret "Pegg" Sangerman.*



January 02, 2025 at 08:06 PM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Margaret "Pegg" Sangerman.*

January 02, 2025 at 08:06 PM

LF

“ Love, Homer Rachford & Family purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Margaret "Pegg" Sangerman.



Love, Homer Rachford & Family - January 01, 2025 at 02:46 PM

KS

“ My sister was an inspiration, a wild and witty force of nature that drew you in and loved her family with her whole being. If you were to meet her she would have never appeared to be “elderly” as most articles have described her. She was a vivacious, beautiful ball of energy that lit up a room and breathed life into the most boring occasions and situations. She was an unbelievable mother, an amazing wife and one of the best friends a person could have. I’ve lost a sister, maybe only by marriage, but in my heart a true sister. I love you Pegg and I promise no-one will ever call you Peggy again, as long as I have anything to say about it. ❤️❤️❤️

Katie Sangerman - December 30, 2024 at 12:49 PM

EA

“ A force of nature and a true light in my life. I’ll miss and love her forever. She was one of the few people that really saw me and supported me. I will forever hold our memories close. Until we meet again. <3

Erin Anderson - December 30, 2024 at 09:16 AM

KM

“ I am so very sorry about the suffering and death of Pegg. Continued prayers for Mike to heal, and healing prayers for Samantha (and baby) & Max as they journey on without the loving presence of their mother. She was an incredibly gifted woman. I am so blessed to know her.

I am horrified and shocked at the brutal violence committed against innocent, loving, and faith filled friends. We worshipped together at Saint Pat's, and our children went to school together. I am so sorry for the grief and trauma they have all suffered.

When I went through a heavy trial of my own; Pegg's response was neither lame or half- hearted but one of genuine shock at the injustice of the situation. She offered loving hugs, brave prayers, and compassion that helped me navigate through my own grief.

I am going to have a mass intention for Pegg's soul at Saint Stanislaus church in Chicago. "Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let the perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen."

Kathy Miller - December 29, 2024 at 10:46 AM

LK

Condolences and prayers to the Sangerman family and extended families. I knew Pegg from St. Patrick's school when our kids were there. They were a saving grace to us in many ways. Pegg always had a smile that lit up a room. I will always remember her as an angel on earth and now in heaven.

Laura Kittle - January 02, 2025 at 07:01 PM

MC

“ Condolences to the Sangerman and McGuan family. I remember riding the bus to Andean with Pegg. She was the source for the daily bus laughter and revelry. Pegg is one of those people that once you have met you always remember fondly. Her joy for life was infectious. What a heavenly party with Pegg’s return home!—Mary (Suelzer) Conlisk

Mary Suelzer Conlisk - December 29, 2024 at 08:21 AM

MC

Mary (Suelzer) Conlisk

Mary Suelzer Conlisk - December 29, 2024 at 11:22 AM



“ *"On Angel's Wings" Sympathy Gift Wind Chime to Send for Funeral Or Memorial was purchased for the family of Margaret "Pegg" Sangerman.*



December 28, 2024 at 10:28 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Margaret "Pegg" Sangerman.

December 28, 2024 at 10:28 PM

JC

“ Our deepest sympathies to Mike, Samantha, Mark and Max and the Sangerman and McGuan families. We are so saddened over the loss of our treasured friend Pegg. She was an amazing and beautiful woman. We will miss her grand spirit and loving heart. What a delight it was to be in her presence. Good times and great stories were shared. You are loved Pegg! Rest in peace "good and faithful servant."

John and Joan Cox

Joan Cox - December 28, 2024 at 06:15 PM

MA

“ I remember Pegg dancing madly in love with Mike at the Dilts's Fourth of July parties as a kid. She had amazing hair for a mom of the 80's. Mike and Max had dueling mullets. Mike would hold her and sign to her and their laughter filled that patio. All dressed up in their red white and blue.

I remember how Pegg's nieces and nephews would light up when Aunt Pegg would come to Christmas and play board games. Her nieces just laughed at all of her witty comments.

As an adult I remember Pegg as being one of my most helpful Substitute Teachers. She would come in organized, beautiful as always, she would take charge of my room of middle schoolers and also light it up with her creative magnetic charm. There are few people in the world that light up room's like Pegg did and those who were blessed to be around her spirit will forever remember her and her presence.

Mandi - December 28, 2024 at 06:07 PM



“ Gable Gift Box was purchased for the family of Margaret "Pegg" Sangerman.



December 28, 2024 at 05:39 PM



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“ Michael Ohm and Family purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Margaret "Pegg" Sangerman.



Michael Ohm and Family - December 28, 2024 at 05:32 PM



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Michael Ohm and Family - December 28, 2024 at 05:32 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Margaret "Pegg" Sangerman.



December 28, 2024 at 04:52 PM



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“ Jody P. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Margaret "Pegg" Sangerman.

Jody P. - December 27, 2024 at 10:11 AM



“ I remember...everything about her. I remember EVERYTHING

Carolyn Sangerman - December 26, 2024 at 07:33 PM



“ George, Bernard, Paul and Joe I am so sorry for your huge loss...
🙏

Carolyn Sangerman - December 26, 2024 at 02:36 PM

KM

“ Peg was a wonderful person!! My coach for knee surgery. I will miss her tremendously!! Kim

kim miller - December 25, 2024 at 06:22 PM

KM

Always so positive. and a great friend 🥰

kim miller - December 25, 2024 at 06:24 PM

JP

Mike I am so very sorry for your loss. Sending prayers for you and your family.

Jody Parlock - December 27, 2024 at 10:08 AM

LP

“ Peg and my sister were bff's in high school - the craziest and funniest girls in their class. Peg spent a lot of time at our house and there was never a dull moment with those two. Our loss is heaven's gain. RIP together Peg & Nancy - your laughs and legacies will live on forever.

lynn hatch phillips - December 24, 2024 at 07:11 PM

CS

“ I remember the beautiful and loving relationship between my mother Norma and Pegg...exquisite



Carolyn Sangerman - December 24, 2024 at 04:06 PM

CS

“ I remember...Pegg and I singing together a “Cher” song “if i could turn back time”. We knew what the song was about, and, we made it our own, we inserted inane comedy as we sang. We included wild gestures as well.

I remember losing Pegg’s car keys at Southlake mall...Samantha was five and Max was 3ish.

...I think maybe the whereabouts of those keys have been revealed...

RIP my beautiful sister



Carolyn Sangerman - December 24, 2024 at 03:09 PM

RS

“ I can attest to the fact of her caring for her 2 children when they were very little when I used to visit from Pennsylvania and going from theatre practice or performance to theatre practice or performance non stop as they were growing up...much respect for Pegg

Robert Sangerman - December 24, 2024 at 11:52 AM

LE

“ Any time I got to perform with Peg, I had a ball! She was so full of energy, so fun to be with. I didn’t get to know her very well, but I could tell she was a beautiful person inside and out. Prayers to Mike, Samantha, and Max.

Lynette Estes - December 24, 2024 at 11:45 AM

DN

“ I met Pegg years ago at Cursillo, (a Catholic retreat), went on to serve on teams with her and have been in prayer group with her ever since. Pegg was beautiful, inside and out—and although the realm that we most often shared together was spiritual in nature, she often made me laugh at the most outrageous things that would just pop out of her mouth. Always the unexpected with Pegg—and I loved that about her as well as her generosity and kindness. At our last group meeting, Pegg shared that she was soon to be a grandma—and was the happiest I have ever seen her. Samantha, have no doubt that your mom WILL be “sneaking a peek from above” (my mom’s words before she died and proved to be so true) —and knowing your mom, her presence will be loud and clear to all blessed to get a visit from her. Sending Hugs and prayers for you, your dad, and Max as you grieve this huge loss—and Heaven’s even greater gain.

Donna Nicksic - December 24, 2024 at 10:48 AM

E(

I was drawn back into Pegg’s orbit a couple of years ago (we are first cousins), and I am a better person for it. She was hilariously funny and soooo generous. I loved spending time with her — there was never a dull moment. She was larger than life and a wonderful friend.

Elizabeth Lippitt (Barnum) - December 24, 2024 at 10:10 PM



“ A beautiful person, with a great sense of humor, and an infectious laugh, a laugh I will truly miss. A terrible loss to the community and anyone that had the pleasure to meet or know her.

Mike Reinhart - December 24, 2024 at 10:11 AM

LK

Prayers and condolences to her families. Pegg was such a blessing to have known her. She is shining her light down on us. The Kittle family, Laura, Hayley and Dylan 🙏❤️

Laura Kittle - December 28, 2024 at 05:06 PM

TT

I didn't know pegg, but I have seen her many times in Miller. I remember that beautiful smile. Her smile wasn't a frown turned upside down, it was genuine. To her daughter and son, I pray that you will find a way to deal with the terrible loss of your mom.

Tommie Thomas - February 03, 2025 at 12:10 PM

SS

Pegg's brother, George, and his wife MaryAnn, are former dance students of mine. We would get to talking after our lessons ended, and George would often share stories about his family.

I've never met Pegg, but when I heard of her passing a memory instantly emerged. I could remember exactly how George said her name, "...my sister...Pegg..." with his whole face beaming and with such adoration in his voice.

That's all I knew of Pegg, but you could tell in the way he said his sister's name that she was incredibly loved.

Stephanie Stroh - February 27, 2025 at 03:36 PM