



## Jean M. Sweeney

July 24, 2020

Jean Sweeney (Birkin) died peacefully after a brief illness on July 24, 2020. She was born June 27, 1928 to Fred and Ida Birkin in Leicester, England. She met the love of her life, Paul Sweeney, during WWII. After Paul was released from a POW camp in Germany he returned to England and proposed. Jean came to the United States and raised a family of eight in Teaneck, N.J. She became an active parishioner at St. Anastasia's Catholic Church where she served as an extraordinary minister, feeding the homeless with the Bowery ministry, and working in the the kitchen hosting the monthly senior lunches. Jean was also a Girl Scout leader, PTA president, and she served on various community boards. Jean leaves a loving family including: Diane (Michael Weigand), David (Bridget), Daniel, Deborah (Michael Bethke), Kevin (Marybeth), Donna (John Ennis), Paula (Steve Huffaker), and Brian (Dana). Grandkids include: Ian, Michele, Ryan, John, Jessica, Kaitlyn, Ben, Grace, Paul and Nicole. Great Grandkids include: Jillian, Megan, Kate, and Adalyn. In lieu of flowers, donations are requested for St. Anastasia's Bowery Ministry, 195 Teaneck Road, Teaneck N.J. 07666.

# Cemetery Details

## George Washington Memorial Park

234 Paramus Road  
Paramus, NJ 07652

# Previous Events

## Graveside Service

AUG 1. 11:30 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ Jean M. Sweeney

October 08, 2023 at 09:59 PM



“ Jean M. Sweeney

October 08, 2023 at 06:27 PM



“ I am just seeing this now; I am so sorry to hear of Jean's passing. I had worked with Jean's husband Paul at Ford Export, and Laurie and I became good friends with Paul and Jean over the years...and they even visited us at our then-home in Bergenfield when our first daughter was born (she is 41 now!). Paul and I would frequently car pool to work at Ford (Newark). The happiest of memories of Paul and Jean!

Michael J Quinn - May 31, 2023 at 04:59 PM



“ Jean M. Sweeney

August 30, 2022 at 02:48 PM



“ Nicole, the beautiful granddaughter of Jean Sweeney & girlfriend of my son Douglas, shared memories of her “Granny” with me during our last visit together. I was amazed at the extraordinary woman she described & was looking forward to meeting her. My heartfelt condolences are with Nicole and her family.

Marian McManus - July 31, 2020 at 11:48 AM



“ *My sweet Granny, you are so loved and missed dearly. I love you.*



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**Nicole Serrano** - July 28, 2020 at 08:43 PM



“ *The Sweenaker Clan want to send their love and condolences to The Sweeney's. We wish we could be at the service.*

*Love,  
Steve, Jody, Ashlee and Seth*

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**Jody Huffaker** - July 28, 2020 at 05:16 PM



“ *Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Jean M. Sweeney.*



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July 27, 2020 at 07:52 PM



“ *My name is Joanne Oellermann, i was a former girlfriend of danny Sweeney, im so sorry of jeans passing, i met her a few times, very sweet lady, my condolences to the Sweeney family*



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**Joanne Oellermann** - July 27, 2020 at 01:50 PM

BP

“ woww! I can post so many but Jean was on our Bowery Team. We had so many laughs going down the Harlem River Drive. We even named an island that we passed as the Jean Sweeney Island  
Love you Jean you are now our guardian angel  
Bob Paladino

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**Bob Paladino** - July 26, 2020 at 02:50 PM

DW

*Dear Bob, she loved going to the Bowery with you & the gang, making the soup for the guys, & bringing warm socks for them.*

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**Diane S. Wiegand** - July 28, 2020 at 07:10 AM

RS

“ We are so sorry to hear of our dear Jean's passing. We heard of her passing just this morning while watching the St. Anastasia Sunday morning Mass via streaming. She was simply a wonderful person to be around. Reading her obit, we did not realize that she had been so active in so many ministries at St. Anastasia over the years. We also remember her deceased husband Paul who was a staunch Notre Dame fan. I chatted with her via phone about three or four weeks ago and just dropped her a line about two weeks ago to update her on the available St. Anastasia Masses on line. The family has lost a really good person who has passed into a better world. We all hope to see and greet her one day on the other side.  
With our most sincerest condolences, Ray & Mildred Smith.

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**Ray Smith** - July 26, 2020 at 02:35 PM

AS

“ I was so sorry to hear of Jean's passing. I looked forward to seeing her every Sunday when I ushered at the 10 a.m. mass. Many times when I sought to line up the gift bearers and didn't know the person for whom the mass was being offered, I would ask Jean if she could help point out family members present. RIP dear Jean. Archie

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**Achilles Schiano** - July 26, 2020 at 02:12 PM