



## Merle Margaret Wallach Albano

December 13, 1941 - January 22, 2019

Born Dec. 13, 1941, when her family was living on a farm near Byrnesville, MO, Merle Margaret Wallach Albano (Margo) died Tuesday, Jan. 22, 2019, after being in hospice care at home in Phoenix, AZ for two weeks.

She died at approximately 8:27 a.m., almost to the minute of the start of her marriage ceremony to Robert Albano on Jan. 22, 1966. The cause of death was multiple myeloma and complications of the disease and treatment. She was 77.

As she passed away, a light wind was flapping the awning on the balcony outside her room, allowing the sun to repeatedly flash on her face. It was a radiant scene. To her husband, her glowing face appeared as it did on their wedding day.

She eventually moved away from the farm but never shed the ethos of farm and small-town people.

A graduate of Glendale (Arizona) Community College, she was initiated into Phi Theta Kappa National Honor Fraternity of the American Two Year College. Her most recent job before retiring was as an accounting bookkeeper in the Phoenix office of Starwood Hotels and Resorts Worldwide. She graduated from Herculaneum High School in 1959.

A Requiem Mass was celebrated in St. Ignatius Chapel at St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church in Phoenix.

Besides her husband, survivors include son Gregory, daughter-in-law Fongsiene Chang Albano, and grandchildren Nic and Jack, all of Glendale, AZ. Other survivors include sister Barbara Joan (Wayne) Pillen of Farmington, MO, sister Karen (Keith) Simpson of Minnesota and many nieces, nephews and cousins, including Jackie Ganey of Jefferson County, MO whom she continuously cuddled when he was small.

Parents Daniel J. and Anna Wallach, and brother Jim predeceased her.

Visitation Thursday, January 31, 2019 from 10:00 a.m. until time of Mass at 11:00 a.m. at Our Lady Queen of Peace Catholic Church, 4696 Horseshoe, House Springs, MO 63051. Graveside Service with Interment at Our Lady Queen of Peace - St. Philomena Cemetery in House Springs, MO.

Arrangements through Chapel Hill Mortuary, 6300 Highway 30, Cedar Hill, MO 63016 where stories and photos may be reviewed and shared at [www.stlfuneral.com](http://www.stlfuneral.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Our Lady Queen of Peace Cemetery - St. Philomena

4501 Church Road  
House Springs, MO 63051

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 31. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Our Lady Queen of Peace Catholic Church  
4696 Horseshoe  
House Springs, MO 63051  
(636) 671-3062

## Funeral Mass

JAN 31. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Our Lady Queen of Peace Catholic Church  
4696 Horseshoe  
House Springs, MO 63051  
(636) 671-3062

## Graveside Service

JAN 31. 12:00 PM - 12:30 PM (CT)

Our Lady Queen of Peace Cemetery - St. Philomena  
4501 Church Road  
House Springs, MO 63051



# Tribute Wall



“ *Merle Margaret Wallach Albano*

January 06, 2023 at 10:46 PM



“ *Our Love from Joan and Wayne and Karen and Keith purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Merle Margaret Wallach Albano.*



**Our Love from Joan and Wayne and Karen and Keith -**  
January 28, 2019 at 12:33 PM



“ *Amy Wallach purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Merle Margaret Wallach Albano.*



**Amy Wallach -** January 27, 2019 at 06:28 PM



“ *I'm going to miss sharing recipes and chatting about the Wallach family history with you on Facebook. I'm grateful that I got to know you and I pray that your family has many memories to fill their hearts with love until you meet again. May the love of friends and family carry them through until then. We love and will miss you, our thoughts and prayers are with you all.*

*Amy & Glen Wallach*

**Amy Wallach -** January 27, 2019 at 11:19 AM

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Amy Wallach - January 27, 2019 at 11:18 AM

SA

“ Margo...it's Susan! Too many wonderful memories to recount. I will always remember our funny and warm conversations over either mimosas or wine. Thank you for loving and caring for us through the years.

Susan (Fongsiene) Chang Albano - January 26, 2019 at 04:59 PM

MM

“ I know I have missed out in getting to know and spend time with this lovely lady! But I will never forget the time I first met Merle as we all gathered at Michael's house. She was a delight to be with. I will not forget her smile and humor.

Marla Mangogna

Marla Mangogna - January 26, 2019 at 03:29 PM

GA

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Gregory Albano - January 26, 2019 at 03:04 PM

GA

“ Mom loved to read and always had a book with her. She passed on the love of reading to me. The first adult book I ever read (with mom’s help) was “Gone With The Wind”. Take you, mom, for all the love and affection you gave to me and all of your family and friends.

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**Gregory Albano** - January 26, 2019 at 03:02 PM

BA

“ Hey, it's Me. The photo from the California trip was always among my favorites. You and that blue cap became one when you put it own. Going through all this since September was a hell of a way to lose weight, but I'm finally able to wear the leather vest you brought me from Italy.

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**Bob Albano** - January 26, 2019 at 02:35 PM