



Nancy V. Cushman-Parker

January 20, 1940 - February 15, 2018

RACINE - Nancy V. (nee: Champa) Cushman-Parker, 78, passed away on Thursday, February 15, 2018 at Aurora St. Lukes Medical Center in Milwaukee.

She was born in Willard, WI on January 20, 1940, the daughter of the late Louis and Stephanie (nee: Detchman) Champa. Some of her fondest memories of her childhood included living on a farm, and all the chores and fun that come along with that.

Nancy's first job was as a nurse's aide at St. Mary's Hospital. She then worked for Osters, making tachometers for jet airplanes. Nancy was then employed by Western Publishing, where she worked as a bookbinder for 40 years. After her retirement, she tended bar at the Labor Center for ten years. She was proud to serve as a union rep. for Local 223B for 27 years, where she was the recording secretary.

Nancy loved traveling and camping, and was proud that she visited almost all 50 states with her family and friends. She enjoyed bowling, crosswords, Words with Friends, Casinos, Cribbage, her dart league, and watching the Packers, Cubs and NASCAR. She also adored that her great grandchildren called her "Cookie Grandma".

Surviving are her children, William (Barb) Cushman of Littleton, CO, Wayne Cushman, and Diane Cushman, daughter-in-law, Brenda Cushman, all of Racine; grandchildren, Chad (Kristie) Cushman, Adam Cushman, Ryan (Courtney) Cushman, Anthony Cushman, Raymond

Cushman, Cody Cushman, Cayla Cushman, and Candice (Nick) Goodwin; great grandchildren, Ayja, Eli, Alaina, Austin, Landon, Liam, Lucas, Grace, Sadie, Riley, Kylie, and Macie; brothers, Louis (Lorraine) Champa, and Cy (Cheryl) Champa, brother-in-law, Paul (Sally) Cushman; and Godchildren, Johnny McCauly, Barb Morrissey, and Ryan Cushman. She is further survived by many nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Nancy was preceded in death by her first husband, Ray Cushman, second husband, John Parker, son, Walter Cushman, sister, Steffie (Henry) Telkes; brothers, Frank (Carole) Champa and Mike Champa, and sister-in-law, Bertie Jean (Bill) Saunders.

Funeral services for Nancy will be held at Sturino Funeral Home on Saturday, February 24, 2018 at 11 a.m. Visitation will take place at the funeral home on Friday from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. and on Saturday, before services from 10 a.m. until the time of service. Nancy will be laid to rest at West Lawn Memorial Park.

In lieu of flowers, memorials to Salvation Army, Disabled American Veterans, or St. Vincent DePaul have been suggested.

Cemetery Details

West Lawn Memorial Park

9000 Washington Ave
Racine, WI 53406

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 23. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Sturino Funeral Home
3014 Northwestern Avenue
Racine, WI 53404
(262) 632-4479
info@sturinofuneralhome.com

Visitation

FEB 24. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

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Funeral Service

FEB **24**. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

KK

“ *Our deepest sympathies. We will remember Nancy on the porch at Rustic. Hugs and prayers. John & Kathy and the Kooi Boys.*

K. Kooi - February 24, 2018 at 12:58 PM

ES

“ *Dear family of my forever friend Nancy.
My name is Edie Stenslien and Nancy and I have been friends for 61 years.
I first met Nancy when we were both 17 years old. We went to Greenwood High School together and graduated in 1958.
My cousin Jerry O'Brien and his wife Judy Herman came to Willard to help celebrate my graduation. They took both Nancy and me to Racine to get jobs as there weren't too many opportunities for us in up North. Nancy and I were roommates until Nancy married your father & grandfather.
We have kept in touch with phone calls & Christmas cards since we live 5 hours away.*

Edie Stenslien - February 23, 2018 at 12:17 PM



“ *Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Nancy V. Cushman-Parker.*



February 23, 2018 at 07:55 AM

SB

“ Our deepest sympathy for the loss of Nancy. My mother, Ange Bielefeldt was the Aunt to her second husband John. Nancy worked with my father, Arthur Bielefeldt at Western Publishing for many years. They thought Nancy to be such a nice lady. She was kind enough to pay respects to our family for the loss of Arthur(Bill) in September and notify us about a benevolent fund from Western. So sorry for your loss.

Sheila and the Bielefeldt family

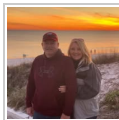
Sheila Bielefeldt - February 21, 2018 at 09:45 PM

BM

“ I'm really gonna miss her and the late phone calls on Fri or sat nites, playing words w friends , being reminded to buy a kringle or 2 to take back home to Chicago when we would go visit her, back in the mid 80's till late 90's my mom(her sister steph/ aunt betty)we use to take driving vacations to Minnesota, or Tennessee, she knew all the best restaurants, Perkins!! . her laugh, being genuine, always had and made time for you, she listened and never judged, hearing and singing johnny cash songs with her.... my birthday phone call from my godmother...she was MY RING OF FIRE!!



Barb & Tom Morrissey - February 16, 2018 at 08:09 PM



My Mother, Harriet Johnson use to work with Nancy at Western Printing. They use to bowl and play cards together. My Mom has many fond memories of Nancy and remembers her always being so happy and so much fun to be around! Our deepest sympathy goes out to her family, she will be missed! ❤️

Tamara Peterson - February 18, 2018 at 01:10 PM

TS

My husband and I both worked at Western Publishing with Nancy. He shared a birth date with one of her sons and she would call him every year to wish him a happy birthday too. We have very fond and fun memories of Nancy. We are out of town and unable to attend. We send our deepest sympathies to her family.

Tom and Patti Stindle - February 22, 2018 at 10:06 AM

DL

I worked at western and loved her dearly. My ex husband marlyn lasso just passed away a few mos ago. I miss all my old western friends. 😭
Diana Lasso

Diana Lasso - April 28, 2021 at 03:04 AM