



## Ann Malir

November 28, 1927 - May 19, 2023

Ann W. Malir, 95, of Wenatchee, WA, was welcomed into the loving arms of her Savior on May 19, 2023, following a brief battle with Pancreatic Cancer. Ann was a loving Wife, Mother, Grandmother, and Great Grandmother. She was a gracious and joyful woman of God which radiated to all who met her. Ann was born on November 28, 1927 in Saint Louis, MO, to Mary Elizabeth Edwards Whittemore and R.B. Whittemore III. At age 16, Ann had a life changing experience at Bible Camp and received the Lord Jesus as her personal Savior.

Ann graduated from John Burroughs School of Saint Louis MO and went on to receive a bachelors degree from Washington University Saint Louis MO. She was a Wife, Mother, Farmer, and Home Host Extraordinaire.

In 1950, Ann, her Father and Grandmother moved to Long Island VA where they bought a farm they called Whittemore Farm. They raised Suffolk sheep, Black Angus cattle, Shetland ponies, Turkeys, Chickens, Guinea fowl and Peacocks. One peacock in particular, Slinky, was a Farm favorite, showing off for the guests who usually went home with a feather or two as a souvenir. Ann helped her Father around the Farm, mending fences, learning animal husbandry and veterinary skills. They attended a nearby church and provided hospitality on the weekends. On one such occasion in 1958, Ann met Fred Malir, a visiting missionary from Uruguay. They quickly fell in love and two years later he moved to the U.S.A. and they were married December 31st 1960. They had one child, Amy born in 1962. In 1969 they moved to Los

Angeles, CA. Also living in Anaheim, CA, Moore, OK and Littleton CO before returning to Whittemore Farm in 1981 when her Father was diagnosed with Prostate Cancer. After her Father passed away in 1983 Ann provided hospitality for many of Fred's acquaintances he met while traveling the globe preaching the gospel. They had wonderful fellowship with many of their neighbors and friends from all walks of life, while at the Farm.

In 2011 their daughter Amy and her husband Steve helped move them to Wenatchee to be closer to Family and healthcare.

Ann enjoyed being close to family and getting to see her granddaughters and great-grandchildren as well as discovering all the beauty of the Wenatchee Valley.

Ann worshipped with a home group fellowship in the Wenatchee Valley for 11 years. She hosted a weekly ladies bible study and was part of several prayer groups via zoom. She enjoyed her Family, meeting new people, flowers, birdwatching and all of God's wonderful creations.

Ann is survived by her daughter Amy M Wilfong (Steve), granddaughters Ashley (Joel) Hewitt and (Tori) Victoria (Chad) Stutzman and great-grandchildren, Henry W Hewitt, Leela M Hewitt, Hailey L Hewitt, Blake L Stutzman, and Tinley R Stutzman, all of Wenatchee, WA. Ann was preceded in death by her loving husband Fred Malir.

In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made to the following organizations:

\* <https://www.hope-builders.org/contribute/> select Gift Designation

Cuba: Where Needed most

\* <https://lancelambert.org/> Ministries ~ Israel

\* Or whatever cause God lays on your heart (That is what Ann would do!)

~Mom's Favorite colors were Pink & Blue. We thought it might be fun if

everyone attending wore either pink or blue.~

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life Service

JUL **22**. 10:00 AM (PT)

Grace City Church  
277 Melody Ln  
Wenatchee, WA 98801

# Tribute Wall

KM

“ *The other day I was making a meal and I thought about Ann. I was remembering her telling me over and over throughout the years: "Kenneth, it's very simple: abide in Christ as He abides in you." Jesus said: "but when you pray, go away by yourself, shut the door behind you, and pray to your Father in private. Then your Father, who sees everything, will reward you." Ann learned the secret of abiding in Christ, the secret of private prayer and the secret of the simplicity in Christ. I could say I miss her, but she is with me in spirit and I know she will greet me in glory and we will continually worship and serve our great King for all eternity. Jesus is her reward. "We are now children of God, and what we will be has not yet been revealed. We know that when Christ appears, we will be like Him, for we will see Him as He is." I love you sister, Kenneth*

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**Kenneth Martin** - July 28, 2024 at 11:34 PM

TS

“ My story goes back to 1970 over 50 years ago when I was a young women (18) in the LA local church, going to college and had just lost my 19 year old brother to suicide. The kindness of Ann and “Freddy” was felt when they asked if I would like to live with them and their young daughter Amy. I accepted and became a part of their sweet family that year and I have precious memories of Ann as she tried to share about a deeper walk with Jesus. She shared one day about how her daughter Amy was the fruit of her love with Fred. Being young and somewhat unfamiliar with the concept of fruit coming from our Love of the Lord, I think often of her. Another time on our drive to church ( she often turned around to the backseat and had conversations with Amy and I, I asked her why she did that and her response was, “so I don’t get upset and nervous about Freddy’s driving.” Something that helps me today coping with my own husband’s driving. I truly loved being a part of their family and appreciated Ann’s loving care when I was sick with the stomach flu. She was truly Jesus hands and feet. I just learned of Ann’s passing today. No doubt she is with Jesus.

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**Teri Ryan Smee** - April 03, 2024 at 12:59 PM

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“ Mom's Celebration of Life is up on YouTube at <https://youtu.be/UaeJhPeWS90>

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**Amy M Wilfong** - September 21, 2023 at 12:23 AM

LM

“ Many condolences on the loss of your mother. We first met Ann and Fred when we moved to Long Island, VA, living on neighboring White Hall farm, which my parents had bought. Your parents welcomed us into the neighborhood, inviting us over to their home. We loved visiting with them from time to time. They were truly a very gracious couple, whose love for God was evident in all they did.

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**Lynn and Steve Miller** - August 30, 2023 at 01:21 AM

AW

*Thank you for sharing.*

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**Amy M Wilfong** - September 21, 2023 at 12:19 AM

SC

“ *Until We Meet Again: We think about you always. We talk about you still. You have never been forgotten and you never will. We hold you close within our hearts and there you will remain to walk and guide us through our lives.*

*So thankful we had the opportunity to get to know Ann. Knowing her was loving her. She was one beautiful and brilliant lady and made me feel like I had known her my whole life. We are grateful to be part of this day Ann celebrating your incredible life.*

*The love and friendship of those we have lost will remain close in spirit and in our hearts forever.*

*Sending love and blessings to Amy and Steve and the entire family. Love you all. Sharon and Nick*

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**Sharon Cooper** - July 21, 2023 at 09:54 PM

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*Thank you Sharon for your kind words. She loved you both.*

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**Amy M Wilfong** - September 21, 2023 at 12:18 AM

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“ Ann has been a dear friend ever since we lived at the farm with her and Fred. Fred gave Dave a start in making missionary trips, and Ann and I kept each other company at the farm. She had this amazing quality of conveying love through the simplest of actions. Once it was just running her hand over a little piece of our furniture. Or she would pick the children and me up in the jeep after we had walked to the creek. I know I tested her patience at the beginning, having many struggles, but she persisted in love and we maintained a lively friendship and fellowship by phone down through the 35? years til now. She has been an example to me of great love - to God and man. Nina Dyer

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Amy M Wilfong - July 13, 2023 at 03:00 PM

SC

“ We will miss dear Annsy Pansy....as dear Grand Freddy called his sweet Ann.

*Some of our happiest memories were visits to the farm and swinging on her big tree swing, and meeting folks from around the world in their home church.*

*She was my daughters adopted Grandmother of heart. A loving reminder of what real Grandmommys are like.*

*Every visit was a joy. We were always welcomed with open arms, as were any friends we brought along with us.*

*An old hymn she taught me plays often in my mind.....All sufficient grace, never powerless, it is Christ who lives in me in His exhaustlessness....*

*She was a true representative of the gentle love of our Savior....as was her dear Freddy.*



Shirley, Keith and Ashleigh Cox - July 11, 2023 at 01:14 PM

AW

*Thank you for sharing your beautiful Memory Shirley! Love, Amy*

Amy M Wilfong - July 12, 2023 at 01:11 PM

SC

*Your welcome Amy. All memories of your folks were beautiful. Love, Shirley*

Shirley Cox - July 13, 2023 at 07:22 AM

RC

“ I had the blessing of having Fred and Ann stay with me for a week in Massachusetts. They were missionaries supported by my church. I also was blessed to visit with them several years later at their farm in Virginia. Truly a couple after God's own heart. Praise the Lord for their homecoming.

Rhonda Cameron - June 28, 2023 at 05:51 PM

AW

Thank you for sharing, Rhonda.

Amy M Wilfong - July 12, 2023 at 01:07 AM



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Jones & Jones~Betts Funeral Home - June 15, 2023 at 05:27 PM