



Mrs. Ann Staff

September 5, 1938 - August 14, 2025

Mrs. Ann Staff passed away on Thursday, August 14, 2025, in Atmore, Alabama. She was born on September 5, 1938, in Cullman, Alabama, and spent the majority of her life in Atmore. A devoted member of Saint Robert Bellarmine Catholic Church, she was known for her passion for Alabama football, NASCAR, and her enjoyment of watching "Gunsmoke" with her beloved husband. Ann took pleasure in sewing and creating garments, and cherished moments spent at their beach house in Fort Walton Beach, Florida. Family meant everything to her, especially her grandchildren, and many affectionately called her "Mama Ann."

She served as the mayor's secretary for the city of Atmore and later worked as the secretary for Ollie Strawbridge at First National Bank. Cooking and baking were among her delights, and she placed great importance on caring for those less fortunate.

She was preceded in death by her parents, John (Elizabeth Tekulve) Hoehn and one sister Babara Jean Mixon.

She is survived by her devoted husband of 65 years, Bill Staff, of Atmore, Alabama; two sons, Bill Staff Jr. and his wife Tina from Orange Beach, Alabama, and Speer Staff and his wife Cindi from Ocean Springs, Mississippi; two daughters, Suzanne McGill and her husband Mark from Atmore,

Alabama, and Leslie Brand and her husband Doug from Senoia, Georgia; one sister, Helene Taylor from Fairhope, Alabama; along with nine grandchildren Shayna, Mandy, Ashleigh, Arielle, Anna Marie, Haden, Haleigh, Cayleigh, Christen, Ashley; eight great-grandchildren Will, Corbin, Thatcher, Norah, Evvie, Charlie, Nicholas, Ella.

Funeral services will be held Saturday, August 16, 2025 at 11:00 AM at Saint Roberts Bellarmine Catholic Church with Father Joji Chacko and Father Gordon Milstead officiating.

Burial will follow at Oak Hill Cemetery.

Visitation will be held Saturday, August 16, 2025 from 10:00 AM until service time at 11:00 AM at Saint Roberts Bellarmine Catholic Church.

Pallbearers will be Brandon Strawbridge, Will Strawbridge, Chris Hein, Tanner Webster, Peter Ramsey, Stewart Kremer, and Tommy Mixon.

Although flowers will be accepted, donations may be made to Smile Train or any Catholic charity of your choice.

Petty-Eastside Chapel Funeral Home, LLC Atmore, Alabama is in charge of all arrangements

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG **16**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Saint Roberts Bellarmine Catholic Church
600 South Main Street
Atmore
Atmore, AL 36502

Service

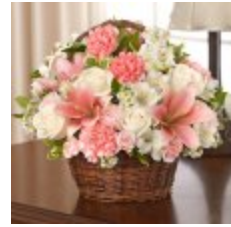
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Tribute Wall

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“ *The Webster Family & Mammie purchased the Peace, Prayers & Blessings - Pink and White for the family of Mrs. Ann Staff.* ”



The Webster Family & Mammie - August 15, 2025 at 02:43 PM

TW

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you, with all our love, Rory, Tracy, Kinsley and Mammie.* ”



Tracy J webster - August 15, 2025 at 02:36 PM



“ *Red & White Sympathy Standing Spray was purchased for the family of Mrs. Ann Staff.* ”



August 15, 2025 at 07:35 AM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Mrs. Ann Staff.* ”

August 15, 2025 at 07:35 AM

AA

“ Ann was a close friend of my sister, Betty Bartel Adams and a neighbor, one street over from our house. I was two years younger than they were but Ann always included me when she was at our house. She was loved by everybody who knew her with a personality that warmly welcomed others. I remember watching her as a majorette in the school band and also as an enthusiastic cheerleader for ECHS. How fortunate I was to have known her. I am sure she is leading the band in God's Heaven and no longer in pain. God's Grace covers her. She will be missed by many. My heart is with her devoted husband, Bill. With love, Aimee Bartel Allen

Aimee Bartel Allen - August 14, 2025 at 11:05 PM

BL

Like my sister Aimee, I first knew Ann as a neighbor and our sister Betty's best friend. Ann and Bill's wedding was the first Catholic wedding I went to. I was ten-years-old. The service was one loong magical mystery tour to this Cradle Episcopalian.

My next Catholic wedding was 10-years later. It was MINE and was just as long and confusing to me. There was no rehearsal. (Not in Atmore or even Alabama.)

When we moved back to Atmore in 1998, I was thrilled to realize we lived across E. Laurel Street from Ann and Bill. We still do. Ann never forgot anyone's birthday and always took goodies to friends, family, and neighbors at Xmas.

The one thing left out of her obituary was that she had, for decades, made her special "Ann Staff's Famous Cake" for St Robert's Fall Festival each year. It was a great money-maker because they raffled it off and everyone wanted a chance to win.

She was sweet and FUNNY, thoughtful, and a little bit crazy like the Bartel family. Our parents adored Ann, too. She will be missed by all who knew her. Our thoughts and prayers will be with Bill and ALL the Staff family and, of course, with her biological sister.
Fondly, Bonnie Bartel Latino

Bonnie Bartel Latino - August 14, 2025 at 11:38 PM

BA

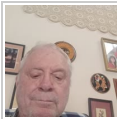
Y'all, thanks to both sisters for saying it perfectly. I have tried and tried to do justice to Ann's memory, but my mind is shattered right now. I cannot imagine life without my darling friend in it. I am relieved that her pain is now over and she is well.

Betty Bartel Adams - August 14, 2025 at 11:51 PM

HT

My sister, Ann, was so brave. I can't believe she is gone, but I know she is in Heaven and finally at peace. As Betty Bartel Adams posted, I can't adequately express my thoughts now - as the remaining oldest sister. We shared great times - growing up during WW II and after, attending Escambia County High School, as striving good students, as majorettes, and as the closest of friends until I found boys. Ann was so excited that, although I lost the Student Council Presidency to Marvin King, she became the first girl to win the next year or so. I left Atmore after graduation. I was matron of honor in Ann and Bill's wedding. Ann insisted that our 2 1/2 year old son, John Jr., be the ring bearer. Of course, Ann picked beautiful emerald green (always her favorite color) for bridesmaids' dresses. Ann was always so beautiful, outgoing and spoke her mind. I'm so proud our upbringing was in Catholicism. We both attended Catholic Colleges, married wonderful men, had four children, and had breast cancer. at 89, I am a survivor. Ann insisted that I come to Atmore (while she was Secretary to the Mayor and later employed at the bank) during October when breast cancer month was celebrated. Ann selected me to join her when we attended Alabama (Roll Tide) games in Atlanta and Hawaii. We shared many of the same hobbies, but she was always the better cook. I am so fortunate to have had her as my sister. With much love and sorrow, I know she is with our Blessed Lord, Helene Hoehn Taylor (Mrs. John S.)

Helene Hoehn Taylor - August 15, 2025 at 10:13 AM



My sincere condolences to the Ann Staff family! She was a treasured friend and student council member also. I like Helen also ran for president (and lost) but will always remember her encouragement!

Robert Mays - August 15, 2025 at 10:29 AM

SK

Moma Ann will be missed, she is in a much better place. I grew up traveling base to base during my childhood. But every summer my siblings and I would visit my grandma in Atmore. We would hangout at Bill and Ann's house with Leslie, Spears, Bill and Susan. We were always treated as one of her own.

Ann's was as big as life itself. She always had a genuine smile and hugs.

Again she will be missed.

Steve Kizer - August 15, 2025 at 12:04 PM

SS

Ann Staff was a true example of a Southern Lady. She was kind, sweet, tough when she needed to be, ever so proper , and that I know of she was willing to help you . A lesson that she taught me and I will never forget. One day while I was in the bank waiting to get some checks signed , we had a conversation about different things. She said to me, “. What are know for a fact is that life is like a pie. It doesn't matter how many pieces you slice it into, the outcome is the same.

Time and pieces of pie have no reward for what's has been appointed.”

To this day the have quoted that many times and still think the f her each time. Rest Ms. Ann, you have deserved it and I hope there is plenty of makeup in Heaven. You always looked stunning!

Susan Smith

Susan Josey Smith - August 16, 2025 at 12:33 PM