



Ann Elizabeth Leavey

November 20, 1952 - July 27, 2024

Ann Elizabeth Leavey of Austin, Texas, passed away at Dell Seton Medical Center on Saturday, July 27, 2024.

She was born on a military base outside of Pisa, Italy, on November 20, 1952, to Col. William J. Leavey and Irene Schmitt, proud Irish Catholics.

An erudite conversationalist and fervent Democrat, Ann loved debating politics with friends. She was also a bibliophile and crossword puzzle wizard, timing herself to complete the NY Times crossword puzzle every Sunday.

Ann is survived by her daughter, Elizabeth Gunto; son-in-law, Joe Shotkus; and beloved grandson, Townes; as well as many cherished friends. She is predeceased by her younger siblings, Maria Leavey and Andrew Leavey.

A Memorial Mass of Christian Burial will be held at St. Austin Catholic Church, 2026 Guadalupe St, Austin, TX, on Saturday, August 31 at 10 a.m. All are welcome to attend and celebrate Ann's life.

In lieu of flowers, financial contributions in memory of Ann can be made to Meals on Wheels.

Previous Events

Memorial Mass

AUG 31. 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Austin Catholic Church
2026 Guadalupe St
Austin, TX 78705

Tribute Wall

SM

“ Ann was one of my dearest friends, and I will miss her terribly. We enjoyed lively, passionate and gritty conversations about work and politics, subjects where we were almost completely in synch, as well as the arts, love and family, life in Austin and New Orleans and so much more. Many times since she left this earth I have reached for my phone thinking, "I must tell Ann..." only to remember that's no longer possible. I cannot express what great comfort and thoughtfulness she gave me, both in a phone conversation and in a lovely letter, over the very recent loss of my husband Peter. The world was a brighter and more compassionate place with Ann in it, and I know she will be dearly missed by the many who loved and knew her.

Sandy McMillan - August 30, 2024 at 04:51 PM

AA

“ Ann was a delightful and engaging friend. I know she was also a loving mother, and dedicated and enraptured grandmother. Ann's droll sense of humor got me through many a long day. It was always such fun to talk with her, as she was smart, funny, and old-school, all at the same time. We will miss her dearly.

Alexandra Atrubin - August 21, 2024 at 07:52 AM

TS

“ Ann was a wonderful woman. We worked on projects together at Pearson and had so many good conversations. I valued her spirit and humor. I can only wish Ann's family strength at this bad time. Regards, Tom Smith

Tom Smith - August 14, 2024 at 07:31 AM

BG

“ Ann was a dear friend and will be greatly missed. I loved exchanging emails with her about politics, old movies, and memories of living in Queens, New York. I also have the fondest memories of working with her at Pearson where we first came to know each other.

My greatest regrets,

Bill Gallup

Bill Gallup - August 13, 2024 at 07:16 PM

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“ A couple of years ago, Ann and I exchanged a few family pictures. One of them was this scan of an old, old photograph of Ann that I find heartwarming and touching. If it is deemed inappropriate in this context, please feel free to remove it.



-Otto Sohn- - August 13, 2024 at 06:52 PM

DS

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Deborah Shotkus - August 13, 2024 at 11:50 AM

DS

“ My memory of Ann is how much she loved her family! She was always so proud of Joe and Elizabeth, especially when they became parents of her grandson, Townes Andrew Shotkus! She was a wonderful mother, grandmother and friend! We all miss her so much! I love you, Ann! Peace and God's blessings to you, Deb Shotkus

Deborah Shotkus - August 12, 2024 at 02:57 PM