



Martha Orbank

June 30, 1933 - July 30, 2025

Martha L. Orbank, 92 years old of Lake Villa, passed away on Wednesday, July 30, 2025.

She was born June 30, 1933 to the late H. Earl and Grace Wright. She was a member of Prince of Peace Catholic Church for over 65 years, active in many ministries, a member of the Savvy Seniors and the artist of the Mary and Martha painting in the church. She loved traveling, in particular cruising with George. She had many passions including art, crochet, quilting, pottery and sewing. She was an exceptional painter and many of her oil paintings are treasured family heirlooms that remind us daily of her talent.

Her greatest pride was her family and spending time with them was her favorite thing to do. She most recently lived in Grayslake at Alto Assisted Living where she made many friends. Our thanks goes out to the staff and volunteers she loved.

She is preceded in death by George, her husband of 67 years, her parents and brother, Leslie Wright.

She is survived by her children Carol (Dan) McKevitt, Barbara (Thomas) Ruhl, grandchildren Heather (John) Maxwell, Meghan (Jason) Burns, Patrick (Amanda) McKevitt, Kristen (Paul Eells) Ruhl and Kate (Rory) Blanchard;

great-grandchildren Linleigh, Grace, Archer, Emery, Phoebe, Finnegan and a brother Harvey Wright. Martha is also survived by sisters-in-law Julie and Kathy, brother-in-law Bob, and many nieces and nephews.

A memorial Mass will be held Saturday, August 30th at 10 am following a visitation at 9 am, at Prince of Peace Catholic Church in Lake Villa.

Previous Events

Memorial Visitation

AUG **30**. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

Prince of Peace Catholic Church
135 S. Milwaukee Ave
Lake Villa, IL 60046
(847) 356-7915

Memorial Mass

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Tribute Wall

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“ I was a friend of Martha for many years, starting in high school in Waukegan,IL. After high school, I lost touch with her as she got married and lived in Lake Villa, but I lived in Crystal Lake, IL. I got in touch with her a couple of years ago and found out she moved to Grayslake, IL to an assisted living place after George's death. I visited her in her apartment in Grayslake a few years ago, and we kept in touch later by phone. She recently called me to let me know she was in Lincolnshire, I believe, for treatment of her foot. She hoped she would be back in her apartment in Grayslake soon. She said her kids told her you have to call Liz to let her know you were in Lincolnshire etc. It was so nice hearing from her. I have been calling her and not able to talk to her, just leaving a message all the time. I have also called the place in Grayslake to see if she was back, or if they could give me any information. They said they could not. Contact the family! I didn't know her children's names or phone numbers, so I could not do that. I have been very upset about not knowing where she was or why she hasn't called me back. I decided to check in the Obituary columns on line ,and found this. My deepest sympathy to her family. Finally I have a closure. Liz Tollefsen

Elizabeth Tollefsen - September 13, 2025 at 01:13 PM

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“ Love, George and Kristin Schmelter purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Martha Orbank.



Love, George and Kristin Schmelter - August 29, 2025 at 10:15 AM

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“ Love, Ron and Betty Maxwell and family purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Martha Orbank.



Love, Ron and Betty Maxwell and family - August 27, 2025 at 10:07 AM

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“ Love, Ron and Betty Maxwell and family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Martha Orbank.

Love, Ron and Betty Maxwell and family - August 27, 2025 at 10:07 AM