



# **Ann W. Criss**

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### **A**nn Criss Obituary

Ann W. Criss (nee Wright), 83, of Elyria, died August 20, 2022. She was born March 22, 1939 in Hackensack, NJ, moving to Cleveland in 1953. She was a 1957 graduate of John Marshall High School. Ann received a Bachelors Degree in Speech and Hearing Therapy from Miami University in 1961 and a Masters Degree in Education from the University of Mount St. Joseph, Cincinnati in 1985. Ann worked in the Cleveland City Schools and then for over thirty years as a Speech and Language Pathologist for the Elyria City Schools and for eleven years at Elyria Catholic High School. She was a member of St. Jude Church, Elyria and a member of Ohio School Speech Pathology Educational Auditory Coalition. She had a long standing membership in the American Association of University Women and a former chairman and newsletter editor. She had been active with the Windsor School PTA and the Cub Scouts. And for twenty years was a volunteer for Lorain County Special Olympics. Other interests included hiking with her children, playing bridge, gardening, reading historical novels, water color painting and crafting. She and husband John traveled extensively throughout the United States, Europe, Caribbean, South America, Hawaii and Alaska. She was beloved for her kindness, and respected for her frank honesty. Ann is survived by sons, Michael W. (Vonna) Criss of Elyria, John W. (April) Criss, Jr. of North Canton and David S. (Rebecca) Criss of Toledo; ten grandchildren; ten great grandchildren and a brother, David S. (Linda) Wright of Dayton. She was preceded in death by her parents, Stanley and Sally Wright and a sister, Catherine Searle. Friends will be received Saturday September 3, 2022 from 10:30 AM until the time of a 12:00 noon memorial service at Dicken Funeral Home & Cremation Service, 323 Middle Avenue, Elyria. Reverend Father Frank P. Kosem will officiate. Photo Album Visitation Saturday, September 03, 2022 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM Dicken Funeral Home and Cremation Service 323 Middle



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Ave.Elyria, OH 44035 Memorial Service Saturday, September 03, 2022 12:00 PM  
Dicken Funeral Home and Cremation Service 323 Middle Ave.Elyria, OH 44035

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## Tribute Wall

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BM

**Bill, Maureen, And Alex Maag** posted:

In Loving Memory of Ann W. Criss, May God bless you and your family in this time of sorrow. A Sympathy Gift of Group of 10 Trees has been Planted In Loving Memory of Ann W. Criss courtesy of Bill, Maureen, and Alex Maag.

September 9 at 8:00 PM

BC

**Barb Conrad** posted:

My sincerest condolences to Ann's family during this difficult time. I first met Ann in 1990 when she worked with Elyria City schools as a speech-language pathologist. She was very dedicated and passionate about her profession and the countless students and families she impacted for the better during her long career. Ann was a lovely champion of those without a voice and she will be remembered for her commitment and her dedication to students in Lorain County. May she rest in peace-

August 30 at 8:00 PM

SR

**Sonia, Jeff, And Kara Rosberg** posted:

In Loving Memory of Ann W. Criss, For our precious friend who loved nature. A Sympathy Gift of Cluster of 50 Trees has been Planted In Loving Memory of Ann W. Criss courtesy of Sonia, Jeff, and Kara Rosberg.

August 28 at 8:00 PM

PM

**Pat Mate** posted:

Dear Family, I am so sorry for your loss. Ann was a very kind and compassionate person. I always enjoyed working with her in the school environment as well as talking with her about family and travels. A few years ago, we were both in physical therapy at Jaworskis and had some time to "catch up" on things. Peace to all of you.

August 27 at 8:00 PM



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**Ellen Eastwood** posted:

By example as well as profession, my Aunt Ann was an amazing teacher. She showed us that the sweetest cookies are the countless dozens that we could all enjoy, together. She helped us understand that, while there may not be a spoon for everyone, everyone who grabs for it is a winner. And she taught us that we all have a voice, with something valuable to add to the conversation. For some of us, that meant learning to speak, for others, learning to listen. On behalf of your many grateful students, I thank you Ann for the loving guidance you will continue to provide us all.

August 25 at 8:00 PM



# **Memories only last if you share them**

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