



Ann Deitcher

May 29, 1935 - July 23, 2025

Ann Deitcher, 90, Topeka Kansas, beloved Mom, Mother-in-law and Nana, passed away peacefully, surrounded by family, Wednesday, July 23, 2025.

Ann was born May 29, 1935, at home in Pittsburg, Kansas, the daughter of James Joseph and Hanora “Nona” Murphy McQuade. In her early years the family also lived in Osawatomie and Hoisington, Kansas. She graduated from Osawatomie High School in 1953. Ann and Glen H. Deitcher were united in marriage on June 4, 1955, at St. Philip Catholic Church in Osawatomie, enjoying more than 58 years together prior to his death in 2014.

Ann had a varied work history beginning in her youth as a soda jerk in Meek’s Drugstore and the movie theater in Osawatomie before moving to Topeka in 1955. She served as a secretary for National Reserve Life for several years before choosing to stay at home with their children as the family grew. On re-entering the work force she worked part-time for Judge Sam Crow at the Federal Courthouse and was a secretary at Fleming Foods. Other than her job of “Mom” Ann was most proud of the years she served as Committee Secretary in the Kansas Legislature.

Ann was a longtime member of Most Pure Heart Catholic Church, had a charming and warm personality, a beautiful smile and positive and joyful energy. She was dearly loved and will be greatly missed.

Left to cherish Ann's memory are her children, Ellyn Hollis (Ralph), Gretchen Kitson (Matthew), Katrina Deitcher, and Eric Deitcher (Tiffany); grandchildren, Emily Hollis Nelson (Kris), Blair Hollis, Molly Kitson Cunningham (Justin), Justin Kitson, Caitlin Kitson Houk (Spencer), Zach Deitcher (Makenna) and Mason Deitcher; great-grandchildren, Logan and Ella Nelson, Eli, Bailey and Emmitt Cunningham, and Jonah and Graham Houk; her sisters, Marilyn McQuade Halpin and Ellyn McQuade Tyrell; sister-in-law, Rebecca McQuade; and numerous nieces and nephews. Ann was also preceded in death by her brother, James Joseph McQuade, Jr.

Visitation will be Monday, July 28, from 5 until 6:30 p.m. when the rosary will then be prayed, at Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home, 2801 SW Urish Road, Topeka KS 66614, Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10:30 a.m. at Most Pure Heart of Mary Catholic Church. Burial of Ann's cremains will be at 2 p.m. at Lynn Creek Cemetery, Berryton KS.

Memorial contributions may be made to Most Pure Heart of Mary Church and Midland Care, sent in care of the funeral home.

Condolences may be sent online to www.kevinbrennanfamily.com.

Cemetery Details

Lynn Creek Cemetery

2400 SE 61st Street
Berryton, KS 66409

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 28. 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (CT)

Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home
2801 SW Urish Road
Topeka, KS 66614
(785) 272-7888
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Rosary

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Mass of Christian Burial

JUL 29. 10:30 AM (CT)

Most Pure Heart of Mary Church
3601 SW 17th Street
Topeka, KS 66604

Burial

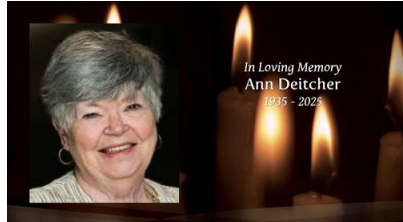
JUL 29. 2:00 PM (CT)

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2400 SE 61st Street
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Tribute Wall



“ *Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Ann Deitcher*



Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home - July 25, 2025 at 05:50 PM

MN

Eric and family, I was sadden to learn or her passing, but I am very glad that I knew Ann. I know that you can find comfort and strength knowing your family and friends surround you during this time. Marv Neukirch

Marvin Neukirch - July 27, 2025 at 07:38 AM

CS

*Bless her sweet heart...she was always so welcoming to me, and her joy was infectious. My thoughts are with you.
With love,
Connie Stallings.*

Connie Stallings - July 28, 2025 at 12:58 PM

PM

She was a wonderful person... kind, welcoming, and funny! You were lucky to have her as your mother. A very sad day for sure, but you will cherish your memories of her forever and I hope that brings some comfort to you. Pat Murphy McBee

Patricia McBee - July 28, 2025 at 08:29 PM

YW

I didn't know her long—just met her when she came to my facility—but in that short time, we made so many memories. She was such a kind, fun, and warm-hearted woman who brought joy to everyone around her. Praying for healing and comfort for her loved ones during this time.
Yalanda from Lp

yalanda walker - July 30, 2025 at 01:01 PM

TS

“ *I will always have the memories of Ms. Ann her last 5 months on earth as 1 of her favorite CNA aides and she will be missed she told me that she could see how much I love my job and the world needs more CNAS like me and that is why I enjoy going to work everyday is to help beautiful people who saw and appreciated the help I do like Ms. Ann did you will definitely be missed but never forgotten.*
Sincerely, Tonya Smith (CNA)

Tonya Smith - September 10, 2025 at 07:32 AM

TH

“ *She said at her age she couldn't think of anything to tell them so she thought maybe she could make something up but then she would have to go again and tell she lied.*
Teresa Hayes

Teresa Hayes - July 29, 2025 at 05:35 PM

CV

“ *Our condolences to the family. Your mom was a kind person to all who met and knew her. Gretchen & Katrina cherish your memories in your heart as your mom will always be in your heart.*
Celia Rangel-Vega

Celia Vega - July 28, 2025 at 07:37 PM

MN

“ Eric, when I think of your mom, there are some who bring a light so great to the world that even after they have gone, the light remains. This is Annie to me.

Marvin Neukirch - July 28, 2025 at 07:15 PM

LC

“ Just a wonderful lady. People she met quickly became friends. Warm smile, and a wonderful sense of humor. We all will miss her.



Leon J Conner - July 28, 2025 at 04:01 PM

NN

“ Eric and Tiffany,
I am sad to read of Ann's passing. I was happy to get to know her while working together. She was always passionate about her work and family. I know she will be missed. Take care.
Nancy Neiswanger

Nancy Neiswanger - July 28, 2025 at 08:30 AM

DW

“ I'll always remember Ann's sense of humor and smiling face when she served as a legislative assistant at the Kansas Capitol. She always had something witty to share that made me laugh. Additionally, she was a great and loyal assistant to the legislators she served. God's peace and comfort to her family. ~ Dodie Wellshear

Dodie Wellshear - July 27, 2025 at 09:43 PM

EH

“ Eric and Laurie Heath purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Ann Deitcher.



Eric and Laurie Heath - July 27, 2025 at 08:57 PM

NK

“ Nancy, Jay and Katie purchased the Basket of Memories for the family of Ann Deitcher.



Nancy, Jay and Katie - July 27, 2025 at 06:12 PM

MT

“ Eric, Tiffany, Zach and Mason, with sincere condolences in your loss, deepest sympathy.

Marcella Tinoco - July 27, 2025 at 01:13 PM

TF

“ The Bollinger Family purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Ann Deitcher.



The Bollinger Family - July 27, 2025 at 11:09 AM

DH

“ Mrs. Deitcher was my second Mom! She treated us as one of her own ❤️ no holds barred 😂 my heart goes out to her and my family 🥰🥰

Diane Lorson Harvey - July 27, 2025 at 10:23 AM



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

July 26, 2025 at 08:11 PM



“ Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of Ann Deitcher.



July 26, 2025 at 08:11 PM

TH

“ The Talleys and the Hawkins' purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Ann Deitcher.



The Talleys and the Hawkins' - July 25, 2025 at 10:38 PM

KK

“ Katrina - Sorry to hear of the loss of your mother. She was a lovely person. My mom was very fond of her.
Katrina Klotzbach Salts

katrina Klotzbach-Salts - July 25, 2025 at 07:53 PM

JC

“ *Ellyn, I am so sorry to hear of your mother’s passing. My thoughts and prayers are with you and yours. Jamie (Hultgren) Curry*

Jamie Curry - July 25, 2025 at 06:24 PM

BK

“ *To the entire Deitcher family, my thoughts and prayers are with you.*

Bonny Kester

Bonny Kester - July 25, 2025 at 03:51 PM

SP

“ *I always loved babysitting for the 3 kids. Ann was funny and always happy! She will be missed by all. Our prayers for all.*

stephanie perez - July 25, 2025 at 11:45 AM

MA

“ *Katrina...Please accept my sincere condolences.*

Mary Atchley - July 25, 2025 at 11:00 AM

KC

“ *Eric, Tiffany, Zach, and Mason:
So sorry to hear this news. Losing a parent is tough at any age.
We’ll be thinking of you all in the days and weeks to come. We hope
you’ll reach out if you need anything at all.
Kristi and Shane Carter*

Kristi Carter - July 25, 2025 at 10:46 AM

LZ

“ Liz Zhou purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Ann Deitcher.



Liz Zhou - July 25, 2025 at 02:51 AM

CM

“ Eric & Tiffany,
So sorry to read this sad news. A big loss for your family but I'm certain you have many memories that will forever live in your heart.
Love & prayers to you.
Cheryl McCrite

Cheryl McCrite - July 24, 2025 at 10:42 PM

TD

“ Ted & Diane planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ann Deitcher.

Ted & Diane - July 24, 2025 at 08:46 PM

TD

“ Ted & Diane purchased the Blue Caribbean Bouquet for the family of Ann Deitcher.



Ted & Diane - July 24, 2025 at 08:46 PM

CH

“ Dear Ellyn, Gretchen, Katrina, and Derek,

Our sincere condolences and prayers for your family. Your mother was a lovely woman in every way. My first memories of her were in high school when she graciously welcomed Ellyn's friends into their home. We always enjoyed serendipitous meetings at family gatherings. We will always remember her warm smile and gracious heart. So very sorry for your loss. with Love, Mike and Cathie Halpin

Cathie Halpin - July 24, 2025 at 08:37 PM

RB

“ Jenessa and I are sending prayers to you and your family, Eric. I know you loved her dearly and am so sorry for your loss. - Rocky

Rocky Busenitz - July 24, 2025 at 04:58 PM

CC

“ Cynthia Camacho lit a candle in memory of Ann Deitcher



Cynthia Camacho - July 24, 2025 at 01:41 PM

CC

My prayers are with you, Katrina, and with your family at this sad time. Your mom was such a beautiful person! She could really brighten my day with her kind and fun spirit! I'm sorry for your loss☐

Cynthia Camacho - July 24, 2025 at 01:46 PM



Katrina, you may not remember me but I was your 5th grade teacher. I remember you and your Mother well. Please accept my sincere prayers.

Kathleen Wilson - July 24, 2025 at 05:00 PM