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Mrs. Leslie Ward Tichenor Mason, 75, of Cornelius, N.C. entered eternal life on January 13, 2017 while surrounded by her family. Beloved wife, sister, mother and grandmother, Leslie was born in the Bronx, N.Y., on January 21, 1941, and moved with her family to Glen Rock, N.J. at the age of nine. She graduated from St. Luke Catholic High School and married Frank Mason on February 24, 1962. They lived happily in Ramsey, N.J. for many years, until a corporate relocation brought them to Charlotte in 1986. They settled in Matthews and greatly enjoyed their new home.

Throughout her life, Leslie had a love of learning. She had an Associate's Degree in chemistry from Fairleigh Dickenson and worked at Lederly Labs before marriage. After raising her family, she earned her B.S. in accounting from Ramapo College. She worked at Groz Beckert in Charlotte before earning her M.A. in psychology at UNCC, then worked as a therapist until she retired.

Leslie was very involved as a parishioner of St. Gabriel Catholic Church, especially in the Health Ministry, and chaired the annual Heart of a Woman luncheon for many years. She was a Daughter of the Revolution (DAR) and a talented genealogist and author of three well-researched books on her German and Irish ancestors. Leslie also started a genealogy club at Bailey's Glen, her last place of residence. She and Frank were avid travelers and hikers who enjoyed many summers in the N.C. mountains.

Leslie was preceded in death by her parents, Raymond and Frieda Tichenor, and her brother, David Tichenor. She is survived by her husband of 54 years, Frank Mason; their children, April Buttner (Mike) of Cornelius, NC and Rich Mason (Sydney) of Langhorne Township, PA; grandchildren Caitlin, Michael and Amanda Buttner and Alexander and Campbell Mason; sister, Christina Cahalan; and many loving in-laws, cousins, nieces and nephews.



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Visitation will be held from 1:30-4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, January 18 at James Funeral Home, Huntersville. A Mass of Christian Burial will take place at 11 a.m. Thursday, January 19 at St. Gabriel Catholic Church, Charlotte. A reception will follow in the St. Gabriel Fellowship Hall.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to St. Gabriel Catholic Church and the Charlotte Observer Summer Camp Fund.

Leslie's family is grateful to Dr. Erin Crane of the Levine Cancer Institute; Dr. Kevin Roof of Southeast Radiation Oncology; Hospice and Palliative Care, Lake Norman; and the nurses of the Levine Dickson Hospice House. A special thank you to friends and family near and far who offered prayers and comfort to Leslie, especially the wonderful friends of Bailey's Glen who helped in countless ways.

Online condolences may be made at www.jamesfuneralhomekn.com.



Tribute Wall

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JR

Jerry And Rita Ratchford posted:

Frank, April and Rich, We were sad to read about the death of Leslie. She was such a nice person and often sat in front of us at Mass at St. Gabriel's and always greeted us. We will remember her in a Novena of daily rosaries.

January 16 at 1:17 PM

BR

Belle Radenbaugh posted:

Dear Frank, April and Rich, Leslie was such a beautiful person. She had the love of everyone she met. She will be greatly missed. May she rest in peace. Prayers and love. Belle Radenbaugh

January 16 at 9:54 AM

HC

Health Ministry Of St Gabriels Church posted:

Dear Frank, April and Rich, So sorry about Leslie. She was such a loving caring part of our Health Ministry at St Gabriels Church of which she helped organized and was president for many years. We so miss her wonderful presence. She will continue to watch over us. Thank you, Leslie. Much love and our prayers. Belle Radenbaugh Health Ministry St Gabriels Church.

January 16 at 9:47 AM

JB

June And Ron Bell posted:

Dear Frank, April, and Rich, I know this is a difficult time for all of you after just losing Leslie, but know that she is in a better place, free of pain, and at peace. She is always available to you just by bringing her into your thoughts. She will be watching over you to keep you safe and we know we will all be together again when our time comes. This journey was difficult for you all knowing that the end was coming. Do take advantage of the love that is around you for support and assistance. We wish you peace. Sincerely, June and Ron Bell

January 15 at 12:47 PM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Leslie by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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