



Marilyn Bissinger

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Mrs. Marilyn Bissinger, 85, passed away Wednesday, January 07, 2026 surrounded by her family.

Marilyn was born in Fort Wayne, IN and lived in Virginia before moving to North Carolina in 2005. She was a member of St. Mark Catholic Church. Marilyn was a loving wife and mother, known for her kind smile and her love of baking, playing games, and spending time with family and friends. She especially cherished time spent with her family after she and her husband retired to Smith Mountain Lake, where she enjoyed going out on the boat and taking in the beautiful views. Marilyn took great joy in attending her children's and grandchildren's sporting events, enthusiastically cheering them on from the stands. She enjoyed playing sports herself and was an avid bowler when she was younger. She was also passionate about traveling with her husband, she particularly enjoyed visiting many of the National Parks in the United States. Marilyn was preceded in death by her parents, Gilbert and Bernice Relue; her son, Stephen; two brothers, Leonard and Jerry Relue and a sister Eleanor Sarrazine (Relue).

Mrs. Bissinger is survived by her husband of 61 years, John Bissinger, two children; Karen Bissinger of San Diego, CA, and Jason Bissinger (Michelle) of Stanley, NC., Daughter-in-law, Karen Bissinger (Murray), grandchildren; Vanessa, Madison and Luke; sister Carolyn Reith (Relue) of Fort Wayne, IN and brother Edward Relue of Ossian, IN.

A funeral Mass will be held at St. Mark Catholic Church, 14740 Stumptown Rd in Huntersville on Monday, January 12th at 1:00 pm. The family will receive friends from 4:00 to 6:00 pm on Sunday, January 11th at the James Funeral Home, 10520 Arahova Dr., Huntersville, NC. A private burial service for the family and close friends will take place at Northlake Gardens following the funeral Mass.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to St. Mark Catholic Church (Growing Home), 14740 Stumptown Road, Huntersville, NC 28078 or the Angels and Sparrow Soup Kitchen, 15016 N. Old Statesville Rd, Huntersville, NC 28078.



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Online condolences may be made at <https://www.jamesfuneralhomekn.com>.

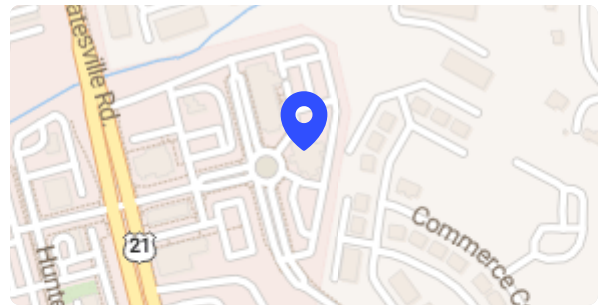


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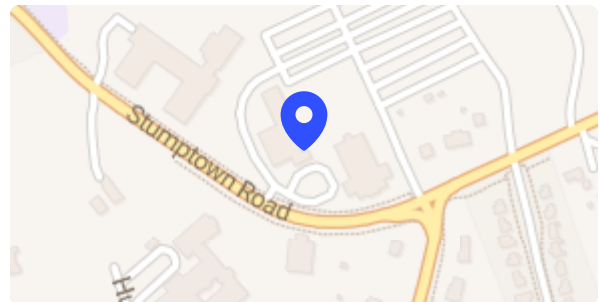
Visitation

- Sunday**, January 11, 2026
- 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM ET
- James Funeral Home**
10520 Arahova Dr, Huntersville NC 28078



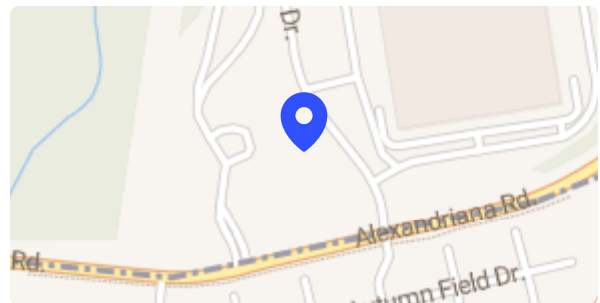
Funeral Mass

- Monday**, January 12, 2026
- 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM ET
- St. Mark Catholic Church**
14740 Stumptown Road, Huntersville NC 28078



Cemetery Details

- NorthLake Memorial Gardens**
11001 Alexandriana Road, Huntersville NC 28078
- (704) 584-9004**





Tribute Wall

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James Funeral Home shared a **Video**.



January 11 at 2:19 PM



Betty Bowers posted:

There are so many good memories of mine and Marilyn's that it is impossible to pick a favorite! Marilyn and I and many others donated much of our time to the LLBF Ladies Auxiliary by working in the snack bar at Bill Allen Field in Sterling Park, attending board meetings, and of course, cheering Nick's and Jason's football teams. We made lots of friends and lifetime memories. One special memory is when I was Jason's sponsor and Marilyn was Nick's sponsor for Confirmation. After the ceremony, everyone met for a reception at the church-except for us! Park View had a very important game that we could not miss so off we went! When Nick and Jason played basketball in high school, we never missed a game. We loved criticizing the coach when our super stars came out of the game! All in all Marilyn & I experienced many happy times that I will never forget and when I think of them, a smile comes to my face. She was a wonderful friend who helped in our shared raising of Nick & Jason! Frank & I are blessed to know the Bissinger Family and send our sincere condolences. Keep the memories alive!

January 13 at 5:38 PM



Deshay Everett lit a candle in honor of Marilyn.

Sending heartfelt condolences and prayers to the Bissinger family. May you find comfort in the cherished memories you shared with Ms. Bissinger. DeShay Everett



January 10 at 12:50 AM



Media

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Memories only last if you share them

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



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