



## Anne Clark McGuinness

October 6, 1927 - April 6, 2012

Founder of New Hope Manor drug rehab center for teenage girls dies.

McGuinness, R.N., Anne Clark Anne Clark McGuinness, R.N., 84, long-time resident of West Hartford, CT and co-founder of the New Hope Manor school and drug rehabilitation center in Somers, CT, passed away on Friday April 6th at St. Francis Hospital with her three children by her side, after a courageous battle with advancing dementia. Born in Bridgeport, CT, on October 6, 1927, Anne was the loving daughter of the late Peter Edward Clark and Beatrice Edna Burns Clark Trixie. Anne graduated from Warren Harding High in Bridgeport with the class of 1945, and was also member of St. Ambrose Church where she captained the undefeated debating team in her teen years. Against her father's advice but with her mother's support, she accepted a scholarship and traveled from Bridgeport to West Hartford to attend St. Joseph's College where she graduated in 1949 with a B.S. in Nursing. Soon after college, she began her nursing career as an emergency room nurse at Bridgeport Hospital and later St. Francis Hospital in Hartford. Eventually, Anne became involved with geriatrics as a nursing supervisor at St. Mary's Home, and later as Director of Quality Assurance at Wintonbury Manor and other Hartford-area facilities where she developed a Code of Ethics for the staff. Anne was a member of the Consortium for Gerontological Education in Long Term Care. Before retirement at age 72, Anne was called upon to become a quality control agent, overseeing the staffs of various state-run nursing homes

for the aging across the state.

A West Hartford resident since 1967, Anne served as a President of the Women's Club for the St. Thomas the Apostle parish, and as a member of the Third District Republican Council for many years, including an appointment to the town's Human Rights Board. In 1998 she began study at the Hartford Seminary, graduating in June of 2005 with a M.A. in Spirituality. On her application she stated that a goal was "to try to find common ground for acceptance of basic truths that people from a variety of cultures can accept and agree on." As timely as this theological study was, so was the timing of her greatest achievement- the founding of New Hope Manor of CT in 1971 with three other St Francis Hospital nurses. What began with a petition to Gov. Meskill regarding the drug treatment policies of CT grew into the first drug treatment facility in C T dedicated to teenage females. Anne served as Treasurer during the early/building years and as a Board Member for many years after. In 1990, Anne proudly accepted the Distinguished Alumni award from St. Joseph College.

She is survived by her three children, Paul McGuinness of Thomaston, CT, Theresa McGuinness Hollon and her husband Jack of Baltimore, MD, and Peter McGuinness and his wife Joan Levinstein of Brooklyn, NY, and five extraordinary granddaughters, Jane and Bridget Hollon, Emily, Megan and Kara McGuinness. She was married to her husband of 48 years Joseph Patrick McGuinness, died 2005 in 1956 and had one brother, Peter Clark of Trumbull, CT died 2003. Calling hours are Friday April 13, from 4-8pm at Molloy Funeral Home , 906 Farmington Ave, West Hartford. A Mass of Christian Burial is scheduled for Saturday April 14 at 1pm in St. Thomas the Apostle Church, 872 Farmington Ave, West Hartford. Burial will follow in Fairview Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Anne's memory to New Hope Manor 60 Hilliard St. Manchester, CT 06040, or online at [www.newhopemanor.net](http://www.newhopemanor.net). Online expressions of sympathy may be made at

[www.molloyfuneralhome.com](http://www.molloyfuneralhome.com)

# Tribute Wall



“ Paul, Terry, Peter, I was so sorry to receive the news that your mom had passed on. I always loved her. She was a wonderful, upstanding woman. She was so proud of the three of you. I know she will live on in your hearts.

*I have so many memories of all the good times we all had. I know Ann is watching over all of us.##imported-begin##Judy Clark Anderson##imported-end##*

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May 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ To The McGuinness Family

*I am very sorry about your great loss and am thinking of your family. Your mother provided dedication and support of many Hall activities, and her loyalty was much appreciated.*

*Not only was she an outstanding mother, but also she left a rich legacy through her achievements during her nursing career and the founding of New Hope Manor.*

*I am among the many who value highly my associations with her. You are on my mind and have my sincer sympathy.*

*Robert E. Dunn  
Former Principal of Hall High##imported-begin##Robert E. Dunn##imported-end##*

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April 13, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *Paul,*  
*Our condolences on the passing of your Mom. May God rest her soul.*  
*Sincerely,*  
*Jim and Cathy*  
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*Douglas##imported-end##*

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April 11, 2012 at 12:00 AM