



Gail Louise Rowe

July 23, 1949 - December 13, 2020

Gail L. Rowe,

of Indianapolis, joined her Lord in heaven on December 13, 2020. She was born July 23, 1949 to the late Charles and Martha Rowe. Gail was a graduate of Scecina High School, Purdue University, and Butler University. Gail had several roles throughout her career, but was most proud of her nonprofit work with St. Vincent New Hope, Big Brothers Big Sisters of Indianapolis, and AmeriCorps VISTA (Volunteers in Service to America).

Gail was a longtime member of St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church, where she met her husband Rick and the close community of friends who became their extended family. She enjoyed traveling, camping, spending time with her husband, and raising her wonderful family.

An avid athlete, Gail was quick to remind anyone, whether you asked or not, that she won a ping-pong trophy in the 6th grade. Her children are grateful they inherited her athletic prowess.

A private Mass of Christian Burial will be held Saturday, December 19, 2020 at 11:30 a.m. at St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church. To join in celebrating her life, we ask that you do so via the live stream of the Mass provided by St. Thomas (link below).

Gail is survived by her loving husband of 30 years, Rick Turi; children, Zach Turi (Kelly), Zoe Turi, and Zane Turi; grandson, Charlie Turi; brother, Jim Rowe (Janet); and sister, Barbara Presley Ziemann (Wayne).

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions are suggested to the St. Thomas

Aquinas Haiti Fund and/or Unbound. Final care and arrangements are entrusted to Shirley Brothers Fishers-Castleton Chapel. www.shirleybrothers.com.

Live Stream for Saturday: <https://www.facebook.com/search/top?q=st.%20thomas%20aquinas%20school>

St. Thomas Haiti Fund: <https://www.staindy.org/church/haiti/>

Unbound: <https://www.unbound.org/DonationFunds/General>

Tribute Wall

MG

“ I met Gail in Billings MT in 1973 when I was a young teen then 16 and Gail was in her early to mid twenties. My family and I were migrant farm workers and she would visit us in our small house along with other co-workers of hers. She was a kind hearted young lady and took us to doctor’s appointments when we needed transportation. She left a lasting impression on me. Many years later in 2017 when my family and I moved to Indiana I looked her up as I had never forgotten her and found her through Google so I called her and we scheduled a lunch appointment at the Food Emporium near her home. That was the last time I saw her. I looked her up a few minutes ago and learned of her passing. May she rest in peace.
Mary Jane Garza Gonzalez

Mary Gonzalez - May 31, 2023 at 02:15 PM

KL

“ Dear Rick, Zach, Zoe and Zane...we are so deeply sorry for your loss of Gail. To say Gail was kind, fun and so faith-filled is an understatement. We have many special memories...weddings, baptisms, and our adoption, dinners, 245 🥰, that will be a part of us forever. Rest in peace, beautiful friend. We love you all. Kim, Patty and Andrew.

Kim and Patty Lykken - December 21, 2020 at 12:29 PM

BF

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Bill Fanelli - December 20, 2020 at 11:51 AM

BF

Godparents of Dominic Fanelli, baptized at St. Thomas Aquinas Church, July 1988

Bill Fanelli - December 20, 2020 at 11:52 AM

DD

“ *I am so blessed to have known Gail over forty-five, plus years. We managed to stay in touch since days at Big Sisters, and moves to Redondo Beach, Monterey, and now Olympia, WA. Just speaking with Gail on the phone was enough to lift my spirits and keep me going for months. Indeed, sharing our family stories was a blessing for me and Gail always made me feel that our chat had made her day. She was so proud and grateful for Rick and her three Zs. My heart goes out to you and all whose lives she touched.*

David Dunne - December 19, 2020 at 02:45 PM

AF

“ *2 files added to the album Memories Album*



Anna Fanelli - December 19, 2020 at 10:58 AM

SC

“ *Rick, Zoe, Zachary, and Zane, you are in my prayers. I treasure the times I spent at your home when we prayed the rosary and shared meals. Gail was delightful and so kind. She always fixed an Easter basket for me when I was there for Easter dinner. I am just so sad but am thankful though that she no longer is in pain.*

"Sharnon"

Sharon Carl - December 18, 2020 at 11:27 PM

BA

“ Dear Rick and family; Thank you Rick for calling me. It was so special to know I was on Gail's mind, as she was on mine. For her children, I lived with Gail for about 3-4 years in her house on College while we both were enrolled in the same graduate program at Butler and CTS. And we both worked at New Hope at that time. She offered me the rooms in the back of her house for \$200!! so that I could pay for school. I cherish those memories of tears and laughs we both shared during those years. It seems we talked about everything and shared our faith so often. Sometimes And Gail's greatest dream was to meet the love of her life and have a family. You have all fulfilled her dreams. I am so saddened we didn't talk more after I moved away to the southern part of the state. I cherish her memory and her spirit and look forward to seeing her in Christa's home in the years to come. God bless you all. I will be watching the service on Zoom on Saturday. You are all in my prayers.



Becky Alexander - December 18, 2020 at 06:04 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Gail Louise Rowe.



December 18, 2020 at 09:58 AM

AD

“ Dear Rick and family, You are in our hearts and Prayers. We were so saddened to hear of the loss of Gail. It was a Joy to have worked with Gail for many years at St. Vincent. I will never forget her smile, fun talks and the love of her family...that she loves very much! It was uplifting to see Gail's love and care for others through the years. I enjoyed having several lunches with Gail, even after her her retirement. Gail had a strong faith and we often had talks of Heaven. I will keep those memories dear to my heart as she will not be forgotten. Thinking of you and wishing you Hope in the midst of sorrow, Comfort in the midst of pain. Anita (Curtis) Dean

Anita Dean - December 18, 2020 at 08:17 AM

GK

“ Dear Rick and family. I am so sorry for the loss of Gail. I worked with Gail at St. Vincent Health and she talked about her family often and loved you all very much! Gail had a quirky sense of humor and I have fond memories of not only working with her, but we would go to garage sales and have an occasional lunch or dinner together. We kept in touch after we both left St. Vincent, but I regret that after I started a new job, I didn't stay in contact much. She has always been in my heart and memory and always will be. Gail had a strong faith and I know she is in paradise now. Please know you are in my prayers.

Gloria KOTTLOWSKI - December 18, 2020 at 07:54 AM

CW

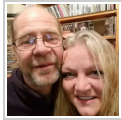
“ Rick and family. No words can express my condolences regarding Gail's passing. I will share my favorite quote. " We all cannot do great things. Only small things with great love." The author St. Mother Theresa.
Gail did many f the later and many benifited from it.

Carol Neavilke- Wright - December 17, 2020 at 11:22 PM



“ Love you aunt gail.I will always have the memories of you & I fishing and camping together. Our times will never be forgotten.Miss you P.s. I still want your albums. We will take that up later. Love Tony

James Presley - December 17, 2020 at 05:02 PM



What a great person

James Presley - December 17, 2020 at 05:11 PM

NR

“ Nancy and Joe Rossi , Bob and Susan Rowe purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Gail Louise Rowe.



Nancy and Joe Rossi , Bob and Susan Rowe - December 17, 2020 at 04:12 PM

JM

“ Rick, we have no words to express the deep sorrow we feel about Gail's passing. She is one of the best people we have ever known, and you and Gail raised some of the best children we have ever known. Her loving, kind spirit will live on in you, Zach, Zoe and Zane. Because of her, you and your family, the world is a better place. Much love and prayers.

Julie and Richard Michaelis

Julie Michaelis - December 17, 2020 at 03:10 PM

TF

“ *The Michaelis Family purchased the Magnificent Life Spray for the family of Gail Louise Rowe.*



The Michaelis Family - December 17, 2020 at 02:55 PM



“ *Guiding Light Bouquet was purchased for the family of Gail Louise Rowe.*



December 17, 2020 at 11:12 AM

SH

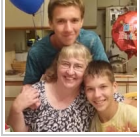
“ *Rick, Zach, Zoe and Zane - We are so sorry for your loss! Gail had such a graceful spirit, and a wonderful, genuine smile. We have fond memories of your family and kindness at STA. Wishing you peace and comfort during this time. Susan Harris, Joe Fredwell, Alec and Max Milejczak*

Susan Harris - December 17, 2020 at 10:17 AM

PB

“ *Oh, Rick, I grieve your loss of Gail. Words just fail me. I just wish I could give you a big hug. I will be praying for you and for the children. May you experience God's loving care and comfort for you and all who loved her. With love and prayer. Paula*

Paula Barbour - December 17, 2020 at 08:08 AM



“ Here is a photo of our MOMS group from STA that Gail has been a part of for the past 15 years. I’m so glad I got the opportunity to know her via this special group. I will very much miss her curiosity, wacky sense of humor, down-to-earth nature, caring spirit and devout faith. Gail loved her husband and her children deeply and was so grateful for each of them. Thinking of Gail’s family and friends and grieving this too-soon loss of a wonderful person. — Carmela Rosner



Carmela Rosner - December 16, 2020 at 11:08 PM

DS

“ Rick, Zach, Zoe and Zane,
We’re very sorry to hear of the passing of Gail. We are all blessed to have known her and she certainly made the world a better place. Your family will be in our prayers... Dave & Cara Salyer

dave salyer - December 16, 2020 at 10:27 PM

TN

“ I was not lucky enough to have known Gail in person. I do however know that she raised one of the most kind, thoughtful, compassionate, dedicated, creative, and inspiring people I am blessed to know. Thank you Gail, for sharing Zoe with the world, we need her! (I am sure the rest of the family is equally as impressive, I just happen to only personally know Zoe).
Gail will live on in the hearts of all who love her, and the stories and memories you will always have. Prayers for your family and for peace through this time of saying goodbye for now.
Donation made!

tara neu - December 16, 2020 at 09:20 PM

JT

“ 1 file added to the album Memories Album



Jim Turner - December 16, 2020 at 05:07 PM

SC

“ Gail loved being a mom, wife, friend, co-worker, Troop 174 mom, member of the STA community, member of our MOMS group and most recently, grandmother to the "cutest baby in the world!" We are sending love to all of you, especially Rick, Zach, Kelly, Charlie, Zoe and Zane. Love, Suzanne, Jay, Traver and Nick Clifford

Suzanne Clifford - December 16, 2020 at 03:48 PM

BB

“ We have lost a great friend. We first met Gail, and her future husband Rick, as members of a faith-sharing group at St. Thomas Aquinas church in the mid-1980's. Gail and Rick served as godparents to our oldest son Dominic in 1988 and they remained very close to him all these years.

To be in Gail's presence was to encounter graciousness and loving acceptance. Whenever we would have our "lets-meet-and-catch-up" gatherings, she would eagerly listen to the stories of our family's lives. Recently, while doing some spiritual reading, I was struck by a passage that Jesus did not instruct us to worship Him, but rather to follow Him. Gail was definitely a follower of Jesus.

Rick, Zach, Kelly, Charlie, Zoe, and Zane, are all in our prayers, as well as all those who are mourning Gail's passing.

Bill Fanelli & Theresa Bossu - December 16, 2020 at 02:21 PM

SH

“ I was so sorry to hear about Gail's passing. She was a wonderful person and I remember her and all of the family very fondly. Rick, Zach, Zoe, and Zane you are in my thoughts and prayers. I made a contribution to Unbound in memory of Gail.

Love,
Sandy Hoy
St. Thomas Aquinas School

Sandy Hoy - December 16, 2020 at 12:53 PM

TS

*Rick, Zack, Kelly, Charlie, Zoe, Zane,
Deepest sympathy on the sudden loss of Gail. May God's grace give you strength and may your precious memories of Gail carry you through this most difficult time. Please know you all are in my prayers. Rick please call John and I if we can be of help in any way.*

*Love and hugs to all of you,
Teresa Schutzman*

Teresa Schutzman - December 16, 2020 at 04:11 PM

JS

Rick, Brenda and I are in prayer for you and the family. We really miss your gentle smile each Sunday and know that you are at a loss with the passing of Gail. We know God will keep his arms around you and the children as we go through this challenging time. May He bless you all and protect you.

Love and peace.

Joe and Brenda

Joseph L Smith - December 17, 2020 at 01:34 PM

CC

To Rick and the rest of the family, my deepest sympathies. Periodically, when I'd walk the canal path after work at Butler, I'd pop in to give a hug to Gail (whom I'd known since New Hope days in the early 1980s). Just yesterday, I fondly remembered these walks and visits with Gail and thought to myself how nice it would be to do so again in 2021 when conditions permit. Until then, prayers and virtual hugs to all of you. Chris Carlson

Chris Carlson - December 17, 2020 at 02:59 PM

AC

Rick, Zach, Zoe and Zane, our hearts go out to you in this time of loss. Gail always had a smile and a kind word for anyone she met. I enjoyed seeing her and spending time together when the kids were all younger. Love from the Coin family.

Ann Offutt Coin - December 18, 2020 at 10:27 AM

HC

*Dear Rick and Family,
My memories of Gail are of our shared St. Vincent days. She was a remarkable, caring, generous person. Meeting her was love at first sight, her smile was contagious and her spirit always joyful. And it became even more so when she met you, Rick, and when she became a mother. Although we parted our beloved St. v we met occasionally at Atlas and I was glad for family news. I wish I'd had more contact through these years. I will remember her always. Sending prayers for peace as you grieve and the blessings of beautiful memories. Helene Cross*

Helene Cross - December 18, 2020 at 05:51 PM

MR

We were so sorry to hear about Gail's passing. We shared with Gail the love for our sons and the all too brief time with their band, Freewheel. It was a pleasure to meet Gail at our many parent's gatherings of the band. We thank Gail for raising such a wonderful and talented son. We are sharing in your sadness and our hearts go out to each of you. We have made a contribution to the St. Thomas, Haiti Fund in memory of Gail. Mark, Suzan, and Alex Rohe

Mark Rohe - December 19, 2020 at 08:52 AM

AS

Laughter and smiling is how I will remember Gail. She laughed when we were young and playing in her family home on New York Street and she was still laughing the last time I saw her when we all went out to eat at an Italian Restaurant to celebrate one of your anniversaries. Larry and I still talk about the joy of that last visit. My mother, Mary Robertson, loved your family so much. She and I were privileged to be at your wedding and she anticipated each visit and seeing how your family grew. I will be attending the mass for Gail from our home in Texas. Your family has been the example of love for each other and love of God. I know He will hold you in his hands now and in the days ahead. Anita Schenk, The Texan Cousin

Anita Schenk - December 19, 2020 at 09:49 AM

CS

Gail was one of the first persons I met when we both started work at New Hope back in 1978. We were both assigned cubicle spaces in a large open office area. From that time on we were lifetime friends and she was one of the happiest persons I knew, especially after she met Rick. Her joy continued to grow with the additions of Zack, Zoe and Zane. Her life was obviously full and rewarding, both for her and for everyone who shared her friendship. I am grateful for having been her friend and she will be sorely missed. Gail left a wide path of joy for all to follow. I am deeply saddened and my thoughts and prayers are with Rick, Zach, Zoe and Zane.

Curt Shields

Curtis Shields - December 19, 2020 at 01:22 PM

MW

I worked with Gail at New Hope and very much enjoyed her friendship while there and afterwards. One of my New Hope memories is when Gail and I were paired during a training, and we were asked to share our deepest fears. What Gail shared with me was a very deep fear, that of being lonely for the rest of her life. Shortly after that she met Rick. And thanks to Rick her life was blessed with him, Zack, Zoe, and Zane. I will always remember Gail as kind, helpful, and full of joy. My heart goes out to Rick, Zack, Zoe and Zane.

Mary Wagner-Shields - December 19, 2020 at 01:53 PM

KB

I met Gail through a 30 year friendship with Rick as my hair stylist. Rick would always share stories about his family and I was always so impressed how everyone worked as a team for the greater good of the family. His devotion to Gail was clear through any conversation I had with him over the years. My condolences to Zack, Zoe and Zane. You are an exceptional family and Gail was so proud. She was always friendly and had a smile on her face even when she had to be in pain. I feel very grateful to have met Rick, Gail and family. I always felt uplifted when I left their house. Blessing and prayers to all.

Karen Brumm

Karen Lee Brumm - December 19, 2020 at 03:31 PM

BF

Rick: you were on my mind today. Its been many many Years but i found this page and wanted to say how sorry I am for this news. Reading it, it appears youve had a wonderful life. I,certainly hope so! It was always a pleasure to see you and talk to you. I pray you are finding your way once again. I also hope that somehow you see my message. Blessings on you and your family.

barbara fleming - November 21, 2024 at 05:51 PM