



## Ruth Ann Byers

April 22, 1961 - March 4, 2020

Ruth Ann Byers, age 58 of Wheeling, WV passed away peacefully in the arms of her husband on Thursday March 4, 2020 following a battle with Advanced Parkinson's disease.

She was born April 22, 1961 in New Martinsville, WV. Ruth Ann was a paralegal with over 25 years of service for Gold, Khourey, and Turak law firm where she specialized as an advocate for clients navigating the Social Security Disability process. Ruth enjoyed running, knitting, sunshine, and music. She attended Mass at the Mt. de Chantal Chapel.

Ruth Ann was the most compassionate, caring, generous, and hard working person anyone had the pleasure of meeting. Ruth always put others before herself and her family was no exception. She was a devoted wife and loving mother that will be deeply missed by both family and friends. Her memory will live on in our hearts.

She was preceded in death by her father: Edward "Rudy" Rich; paternal grandparents: John and Sophia Rich; maternal grandparents: Roy and Irma Harrison.

Survivors include her husband, of 38 years, Thomas Byers; one son: Austin Byers of Mt. Airy, MD; mother: Margaret Harrison Rich of Westerville, OH; three sisters: Martha (David) Grohman of Hanover, OH; Beth Brown of Coeur d'Alene, ID; and Kathy (Tim) Myles of Elm Grove, WV; one brother: David (Tatiana) Rich of Columbus, OH; and numerous nieces and nephews.

The family will receive friends on Saturday March 7, 2020 from 2:00-5:00 p.m.

at Grisell Funeral Home & Crematory, 1 Ridgecrest Road, Wheeling, WV where funeral services will be held immediately after the viewing at 5:00 p.m. Private interment will be held at the convenience of the family.

In lieu of flowers, Memorial Contributions may be made to The Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson's Research in Ruth's name (<https://tribute.michaeljfox.org/>).

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 7. 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

Grisell Funeral Home & Crematory- Wheeling/Bethlehem  
1 Ridgecrest Road  
Bethlehem/Wheeling, WV 26003  
(304) 232-0400  
<https://www.grisellfuneralhomes.com/>

## Funeral Service

MAR 7. 5:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

CV

“ I knew Ruth for a short time, but in that time she was one of the kindest, caring, most concerned about others, warm-hearted women I have had the pleasure of knowing. My condolences and heart go out to the Byers' family.

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**Carrie J. Verba** - March 12, 2020 at 07:06 PM

DE

“ My deepest sympathy to Tom, son & extended family. I just learned of Ruth's passing today. I am so sorry for your great loss. Praying God's comfort for you all.  
Debbie/Co-worker at Oglebay.

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**Debbie** - March 11, 2020 at 01:22 PM

YH

“ To the Byers' family - I worked quite awhile ago with Ruth at GKT in the early 1990s. Ruth was just a lovely human being. When she lived in Hannibal, Ohio, I would give her a ride work if needed. When she moved to Wheeling, she invited me to her new home to see it (and of course, it was quite lovely). She would always speak when I saw her around town or have to drop anything off at GKT from the office where I work now. I am sincerely sorry for your loss and for the horrible disease to which she was plagued.

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**Yvonne Holstine** - March 09, 2020 at 04:16 PM

BW

“ Dear Tom and all of Ruth's Family,  
Our hearts go out to you all at this time. It always warmed my heart to see her on a commercial, knowing that she was someone you could truly trust. Beth, I so remember coming in after work at the bank to see something new your Dad had built in one of your bedrooms. I especially remember Ruth helping give me the grand tour. I think about you all every time I pass your home in Schubach. Tom, you have shown us what true love is all about. May God grant you peace as you remember your dear wife, mother, daughter, sister, aunt, and so much more. God be with you all as you lay your dear one to rest.  
Love Bart & Joyce(Indermuhle) Wiggins

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**Bart & Joyce Wiggins** - March 06, 2020 at 01:06 PM

JT

“ Ruth was one of my "girls" in Schupbach Addition. Soent a lot of time with the Rich girls. She was my lap girl. Helped her do acrobatic exercises for her gym class. She always had a specisl place in my heart. So sorry for her passing.

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**Jane Thomas** - March 06, 2020 at 08:15 AM

KB

“ Ruth and I went to River together, and graduated together.. Always so nice to everyone. It always hurts when it's one of our fellow classmates.. my heart is with the family.Prayers.. RIP Ruth..

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**Kathy Burch** - March 05, 2020 at 05:56 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ruth Ann Byers.*



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March 05, 2020 at 04:25 PM