



Nancy J. Arcury

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Nancy J. Arcury age 99 passed away on October 30, 2021. Beloved daughter of the late James and Jennie Arcury. Loving sister of the following deceased: Josephine Gray, Mary Bergman, Agnes Sidone, Lee Stewart, and Julie Head. Loving aunt to Judy(deceased)(Robert) Pot, Leslie Head, Donna Erb, Cheryl (John) Selby. Great aunt and great- great aunt to many. Retired Dancer, Ballet Mistress, Associate Artistic Director and beloved Ballet Teacher of the Cleveland Civic and North Coast Ballet Theatre Companies. Cherished friend of Marguerite Duncan (deceased), “Doc” and “Poppy” Dinse and the thousands of dancers whose lives were enriched by her knowledge, passion, and dedication to the Art of Ballet.

GRAVESIDE SERVICE FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2021 AT 1:00PM AT LAKEVIEW CEMETERY, 12316 EUCLID AVE, CLEVELAND, OH 44106. Contributions in her memory may be made to The Best Friends Animal Society at www.bestfriends.org



Events

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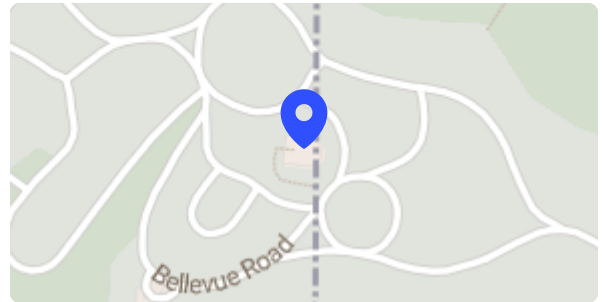
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Graveside Service

 **Friday**, November 5, 2021

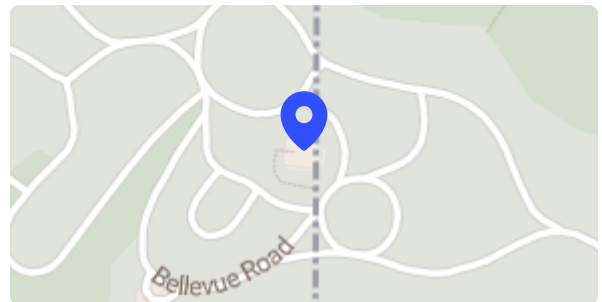
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 **Lake View Cemetery**
12316 Euclid Ave, Cleveland OH 44106



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Tribute Wall

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EZ

Eileen Zimlich posted:

I was so sorry to learn of Miss Nancy's passing. She taught and mentored so many. I studied ballet under her and Miss Duncan for 14 years. They shared their passion about ballet with countless students. Through them not only did we learn how to dance and express ourselves, but we also learned the importance of discipline and dedication. Those were life lessons that carried throughout my life. But, some of my fondest memories were made sitting on the floor of her office, with other students, discussing whatever was the topic of the day. My world expanded in that office. We discussed the arts, philosophy, literature, and world events. As much character forming went on in that office as did in the dance studios. Thank you Miss Nancy. May you be dancing now! Eileen Zimlich

November 26 at 12:07 PM

ED

Elaine K. Dowling posted:

Today being Thanksgiving, and after thinking about how I really appreciated hearing other people's memories of my mom after she had passed, I decided to write a little about my relationship with Nancy. I came to Marguerite Duncan Studio of Dance Arts as teenage dance student with 6 years of bad ballet training. After taking an advanced class that made me completely aware of my shortcomings, I started taking Miss Nancy's Saturday classes. Each Saturday during three classes in a row she helped me unlearn bad habits. As frustrated as I was, I could see Nancy's classes were a place where you worked at the art of ballet in a very business-like way. No one was talked down to. You were expected to learn and be respectful. You received corrections and encouragement as you improved. It was actually a wonderful lesson in combining your passion with hard work. I've told Nancy it was the example I've followed in my own approach to teaching ballet. A few years later Nancy drew me into one of her other passions: The Holocaust. I'd learned about The Holocaust in high school, but Nancy had lived through World War II, and, for some reason, The Holocaust resonated deeply with her. Much more so than other adults of the same age I spoke with. She would speak of being obsessed with the subject. I read Holocaust-oriented books Nancy suggested, and, over the years I bought her new ones on the subject. One time, probably in the mid-80s we even went together to hear Holocaust survivor, Nobel Prize winner, and writer Elie Wiesel speak at Beth Am Temple in Cleveland Hts. I have lots of good memories of being with Nancy at the Marguerite Duncan Studio of Dance Arts. Of having her as a teacher, role model, and friend on into adulthood. Like my mom, Nancy was part of The Greatest Generation, to learn from and remember with love and gratitude. Elaine Dowling

November 25 at 7:09 AM



Memories only last if you share them

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



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