



Roberta Leslie Meindl

June 7, 1949 - May 31, 2025

Roberta Leslie Meindl (née Bann), a cherished educator, loving mother and grandmother, thoughtful friend, and passionate traveler, gently passed away on May 31, 2025, in Buffalo, NY, at the age of 75, surrounded by those she deeply loved.

Born on June 7, 1949, in Queens, New York, Roberta lived a life guided by kindness, compassion, patience, and quiet determination. From her childhood in Queens and Ontario, Canada, to her longtime home in Buffalo, her family and the well-being of others always came first. She created a warm, nurturing environment that became the cornerstone for her family's happiness and strength.

Education was Roberta's heartfelt calling. She earned a bachelor's degree in Psychology from the University of Waterloo and a master's degree in Education from Buffalo State College. As a special education elementary school teacher in the Buffalo Public Schools, she touched countless young lives with patience, care, and genuine affection.

Beyond her professional life, Roberta treasured moments shared with family and dear friends. She enjoyed meaningful conversations, laughter-filled book club meetings, and cherished dinners with fellow educators. An enthusiastic skier, she found joy in snowy slopes, and her passion for travel took her

across the globe, creating beautiful memories and lasting friendships everywhere she visited.

Her generous spirit extended to many charitable causes, notably the University at Buffalo, SUNY Buffalo, honoring the legacy of her late husband, Dr. James R. Meindl. James was a beloved professor and globally recognized leader in his field of study whose unexpected passing deeply impacted Roberta. He was, without doubt, the great love of her life.

Roberta is lovingly remembered by her two sons, Jeremy K. Meindl (Brenna) and Kevin J. Meindl; adored grandchildren, Sophia and Oliver; her dear friend and chosen sister, Anne Bedard; and Anne's sons, Michael and Jordan Ellis, who held a special place in her heart.

For those who knew Roberta, she was a comforting presence—warm, thoughtful, and genuinely caring. She faced each chapter of her life gracefully and with quiet strength.

Honoring her wishes, no formal funeral will be held. Instead, friends and family are warmly invited to celebrate her life on Saturday, June 28th, from 5-8 PM at Betty's, 370 Virginia Street, Buffalo, NY 14201.

Roberta's gentle spirit, kindness, and love will continue to live on in every heart she touched, reminding us all of the beauty of a life truly well-lived.

Cemetery Details

Forest Lawn

1411 Delaware Ave.
Buffalo, NY

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

JUN 28. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Betty's
370 Virginia Street
Buffalo, NY 14201

Tribute Wall

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“ *Holman Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Roberta Leslie Meindl.*

Holman Family - June 27, 2025 at 12:11 PM

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“ *Holman Family purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Roberta Leslie Meindl.*



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“ *Yolanda and Tim Risch purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Roberta Leslie Meindl.*



Yolanda and Tim Risch - June 20, 2025 at 03:13 PM