



## Eleanor Anderson Breen

January 16, 2020

Eleanor Anderson Breen, 98, of Venice, FL, passed away peacefully on January 16, 2020 of natural causes. Eleanor quickly joined her loving husband of 72 years, Daniel T. Breen, who passed away on January 8, 2020.

Eleanor was the last survivor of seven siblings raised in Duluth, MN, children of Swedish immigrants. After high school she went to live with her sister in Cleveland, OH, to pursue a secretarial career. It was there she met and married Dan and moved with him to his native Massachusetts to begin a family. They eventually settled in Hopedale, MA, where they happily remained for 44 years. Eleanor worked as secretary to the principal at nearby Holliston High School from 1963-1986. Always ready to explore, Eleanor and Dan traveled extensively during retirement both domestically and abroad. In 2004, they began spending the winter months in Venice, where they gladly became fulltime residents in 2008. The couple leaves behind their son, Daniel K. Breen of Tigard, OR; daughter, Deborah B. Yahner of Asheville, NC, and son Brian P. Breen of Boston, MA, as well as three grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

A private family service will be held at later date. Condolences may be made at [www.toalebrothers.com](http://www.toalebrothers.com).

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Daniel Breen of Venice, FL, passed away peacefully on January 8 of natural causes. He was 93.

Daniel leaves behind his loving wife of 72 years, Eleanor (Anderson) Breen, son Daniel K. Breen of Tigard, OR, daughter Deborah B. Yahner of Asheville, NC, and son Brian P. Breen of Boston, MA, as well as three grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. He is also survived by two sisters.

Raised in Bellingham, MA, Mr. Breen proudly served in the U.S. Navy during World War II before marrying and beginning a family, eventually settling in Hopedale, MA as a 44-year resident. Dan was an avid golfer and member of the Hopedale Country Club, and served for several years on the Hopedale Board of Health. Always ready to explore, Dan and Eleanor traveled extensively during retirement both domestically and abroad. In 2004, they began spending the winter months in Venice, where they gladly became full-time residents in 2008.



# Comments

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“ To my Breen cousins,

I've been thinking back to the fun times we had when your family came to our Island Lake cabin near Duluth. Our parents treasured those summer visits. There was grilling, laughing, skipping stones, swimming and catching up while sitting on the beach.

Great memories, for a great family,

Gwenn Anderson Davies

gwenn - January 29, 2020 at 06:03 PM

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“ Dear dear sweet Eleanor. I will miss you more than most will know. I have been in awe of you since I joined the family in 1973. Such fond memories of your large barbecues in your Hopedale home. I love that we continued to call each other for decades. I will blow a kiss to heaven, on your birthday (Valentine's Day). My condolences and love to Dan, Deb and Brian.

Therese Barry - January 28, 2020 at 03:29 PM

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“ To the Breen family - please accept my condolences.  
Thank you, Eleanor, for showing me the practical side of producing a church newsletter and for always lending a hand with a smile..... Jim Brown

Jim Brown - January 22, 2020 at 09:29 PM