



Mabel Ann Wynne Allen

December 9, 2025

Mabel Ann Wynne Allen, a 65-year resident of Tenafly, NJ, passed away peacefully at home on December 9, 2025, at age 91.

She is survived by her three children and their families: Byron, his wife, Tami, and their son, Tyler, of Greenwich, CT; Lesley, her husband, Robert Woolfolk, and their daughter, Katie, of Princeton, NJ; and Earle, his wife, Kelli Palan, and their daughter, Vivian of Hoboken, NJ. Mabel was predeceased by her husband, Byron A. Allen, Jr; her father, Winston W. Wynne; her mother, Mabel H. Wynne; and her brother, Winston W. Wynne, Jr.

Mabel was born in Norfolk, VA, and moved to Coral Gables, FL, where she was valedictorian of her class at Coral Gables High School. She graduated magna cum laude from Randolph-Macon Woman's College in Lynchburg, VA, where she was elected to Phi Beta Kappa and then completed a Master's in English Literature at Columbia University. It was in New York where Mabel met her husband, Byron (Gus), and the two soon moved out to Englewood, NJ, and then on to Tenafly. Mabel taught English at the Dwight School for Girls and later English and Social Studies at Elisabeth Morrow School, both in Englewood. She also taught at the Korean School of New Jersey in Tenafly. Later in her career, Mabel shifted gears and became the editor of *The Voice*, the journal of the Episcopal Diocese of Newark, NJ, and also edited the *Episcopal New Yorker*, a newspaper published by the Episcopal Diocese of

New York.

In addition to being a devoted wife and mother, Mabel was a very active member of the community. She served on the Board of Trustees of the Tenafly Public Library and participated in the Junior League of Bergen County and the Garden Club of Englewood. As an active member of the local Episcopal churches, she served on the Usher's committee at St Paul's Church in Englewood and on the Personnel and Discernment committees at the Church of the Atonement in Tenafly, where she also was a Confirmation Class Teacher. For fun, Mabel enjoyed socializing with friends and family, taking long walks (especially with friends), completing The New York Times crossword puzzles, reading novels, participating in her book club, and swimming and playing tennis at the Englewood Field Club. She will be dearly missed by all. A memorial service will be held Saturday, January 3, at Eastern Shore Chapel in Virginia Beach, VA, to which all are invited. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made in Mabel's name to the Tenafly Public Library, the Tenafly Nature Center, and Flat Rock Brook Nature Center in Englewood.

Previous Events

Funeral Service

JAN 3. 12:00 PM (ET)

Eastern Shore Chapel
2020 Laskin Road
Norfolk, VA 23454