



## Maureen Bruce

December 4, 1944 - January 7, 2022

Maureen Bruce, 77, passed away peacefully on January 7th, 2022. Maureen was preceded in death by her parents, Carson and Margaret McCord, and by her son Daniel James Bruce. She is survived by her husband James, two sons Timothy (Juliana) and Thomas, her grandchildren Nicholas, Kyle, and Samantha, her step-grandchildren, West (Katie and daughter Evie), Melissa (Jordan), her brother William McCord (Jann), her sister Sue Olson (Clem), and numerous in-laws, nieces and nephews.

Maureen graduated from Worthington High School and earned a Bachelor of Education from The Ohio State University. Maureen was an elementary school teacher for Columbus City Schools and later founded the Dublin Latchkey Program in 1984. She served as the Director of Dublin Latchkey for almost 30 years.

Maureen loved time with her family, her dogs, gardening, reading, and she was an avid walker. She enjoyed traveling and journeyed to the Holy Land to experience the origins of Christianity. The second home she and Jim built in Murrells Inlet S.C. was a source of joy for many months each year, and there she built cherished new friendships during the final 20 years of life.

A private family service will be held at Liberty Church and the family plans to hold a memorial service later in the spring. In lieu of flowers, please send donations to: Alzheimer's Association [www.alz.org](http://www.alz.org)



# Tribute Wall



“ *Maureen Bruce*

January 28, 2023 at 10:24 AM

JK

“ *I was fortunate to live across the street from the Bruce's and babysit Timmy and Tommy - many years ago! Mrs. Bruce was always so lovely and had the best junk food for babysitters! Many fond memories of the Bruce Family. You are in our thoughts.*

*Jenny Walters Kizer*

**Jenny Kizer** - February 02, 2022 at 10:25 AM

CS

“ *Jim and family, Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Take care of each other. Craig and Hedda*

**Craig Stewart** - January 15, 2022 at 11:19 AM

EM

“ *We are saddened by the loss of our long time friend Maureen. Many memories were shared together stretching from our early days in Dublin. OH, to Murrells Inlet, SC. We always felt welcomed when we came to visit and enjoyed hours of sharing meals and playing table games. Our lives changed forever when Jim & Maureen taught us how to play dominos 20 years ago...still a favorite past time. In one week, we leave for a tour of The Holy Land in Israel...a trip the Bruce's have encouraged us to take. Thank you Maureen for your friendship, your warm smile and all the fond memories.*

*Ed and Phyllis McQueen*

**Ed and Phyllis McQueen** - January 11, 2022 at 11:33 AM

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**Sally Sutton** - January 09, 2022 at 10:06 PM

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Sally Sutton - January 09, 2022 at 07:44 PM

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“ Maureen and Jim hosted so many fun family gatherings at their home in Dublin Ohio. Maureen loved boating and we enjoyed sharing a boat together. Our many trips to Lake Cumberland, fun scavenger hunts through Dublin, trips to Dominican Republic, Mexico, Savannah, Charleston and Myrtle Beach are highlights with many laughs. Maureen and Jim bravely accompanied us to Cancun to chaperone our daughter's high school graduation trip. Maureen was a gracious, gentle soul who did everything with kindness. I admired her patience with children. Rest In Peace.

Sally Sutton - January 09, 2022 at 05:52 PM

JS

*Having the love and friendship of Jim and Maureen here in Murrells Inlet have been the joy of our lives.  
We had such fun together eating out, going on trips, and the best was exploring God's word and plan for us. We do know that Maureen is now enjoying eternity with her Father God and Jesus.  
Some day we will be together again.  
We love you Maureen  
Jim&Maureen Sharp*

Jim and Maureen Sharp - January 10, 2022 at 08:53 AM

BB

*Dear Bruce Family,  
I just found out that Maureen passed in January. I am very sorry for the tremendous loss of your wife and Mother.  
I met Maureen through the Dublin Latchkey program in late 1989.  
She was a very kind, smart, organized, and caring person. I loved talking to her. She had vision, energy, and kindness beyond measure!  
I met her son, Tim through Maureen and hired him for our summer camps at the City of Dublin/Parks & Recreation. Tim was a great Counselor and the kids loved him!  
Maureen created a wonderful, educational and safe haven for elementary school children and their parents. My now-adult children Katelynn and Jeff attended Scottish Corners Before and After School Care. I never worried about their safety because she hired great staff and had such creative learning and play environments in which all children thrived. I will always be grateful for Maureen's vision and loving spirit.  
I didn't know that Maureen was a Worthington girl! I too grew up in Worthington, Ohio!  
RIP Maureen. You lived a beautiful life and showed your love and concern for children through your Larchkey Programs at all Dublin Elementary Grade Schools.*

Barbara Burkholder - April 29, 2022 at 01:43 PM