



## Susan E. (Ricciutti) Gooley

October 9, 1946 - April 12, 2026

Winchendon – Susan E. (Ricciutti) Gooley, 79, went home to her lord on April 12, 2026.

She was born in Fitchburg on October 9, 1946, a daughter of the late Joseph and Charlotte (Hirst) Ricciutti. Susan pursued her passion for cosmetology and completed her training at Henri's Hair School, where she later worked.

Her spiritual path began at Good Shepherd Church, where she began a lifelong relationship with Christ. In time, she became a devoted member of Christ Church where along with her husband Brian, hosted coffee hour for eight years. She lovingly spent countless hours baking homemade goods, offering not just food, but warmth to all who gathered.

Her faith was not only something she practiced; it was something she lived. She dedicated much of her life to volunteer work at Our Father's House and Table, serving those in need with humility and grace; she embodied Christ's call to love and serve others. For many years, she opened her home to host Bible study. She was selfless, gave the best Jesus hugs and always encouraged others to become the best version of themselves.

She found joy in the simple things; she loved being outdoors, spending time camping and canoeing, and taking long drives just to enjoy the journey. She'd

go cruising alongside her husband in his hotrod, sharing laughter and making memories along the way. She will be greatly missed.

She is survived by her husband of 40 years, Brian Gooley of Winchendon; her children, James Dobbins and wife Allison of Ventura, CA and Westminster, Wendy Chevarie and husband Ronald of Gardner, Adam Gooley and wife Megan of Portland, ME; grandchildren, Brianna McDonald and husband Ben, Chad Maillet and wife Brooke, Riley and Sloan Prince, Ophelia and Skylar Gooley; great grandchildren Blake, Ben and Paityn; a brother John Ricciutti of Fitchburg and several nieces and nephews. Susan was predeceased by her brother David Ricciutti.

Susan's funeral will be held in Christ Church Main Street Fitchburg on Friday, May 1, 2026 at 11am. Burial will be held privately at a later date. The Isabelle & Anderson Funeral Home, Fitchburg is directing arrangements. [www.andersonfuneral.com](http://www.andersonfuneral.com).

In lieu of flowers please consider a memorial contribution to the MSPCA-Angell Attn: Donations 350 South Huntington Ave Boston, MA 02130.

# Cemetery Details

## Forest Hill Cemetery

Mt. Elam Rd.  
Fitchburg, MA 01420

# Previous Events

## Funeral Service

MAY 1. 11:00 AM (ET)

Christ Church  
569 Main St.  
Fitchburg, MA

# Tribute Wall

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“ Sue made the BEST Italian cookies! Brian delivered them to us every year!

*Brian, Wendy and families,, so sorry for your loss!! Sue was a wonderful lady! I lost Sam almost 4 years ago!*  
*Ruthie Pisciotta*

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**Ruthie Pisciotta** - April 26 at 11:53 AM

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“ My deepest sympathy to all of Sue's family. I have a lot of fond memories of her when we lived next door on Overland St. Sue was very compassionate and giving, always saw the good in everyone. She was tiny but she was mighty when she had to be. She will be deeply missed by so many people. Love Denise M McDonald Sutton



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**Denise Sutton** - April 17 at 07:49 AM