



Anita Carrier Sweeney

July 14, 1929 - September 10, 2025

Anita lived a long and blessed life. She passed away peacefully overnight at her home on September 10 at the age of 96 with her daughter Mary at her side, having been with all of her children during her last days.

Anita lived in St Paul as a child and graduated from St Matthew's Catholic High School. She was the firstborn of four girls. She was a good student and a hard worker, and by all accounts was a very loving and helpful big sister and daughter. Her parents were Mike and Rose Campa.

She met her husband at the Prom Ballroom. John Robert Sweeney (fondly known as Rob) was on a short leave from the Navy at the time and his sister told him that he should ask "that cute girl" to dance. Dance they did, and they exchanged lots of letters until "Rob" came home from WWII and they got to know each other better and fall in love forever.

Rob and Anita married in 1948. They moved to Bloomington in 1958 after the

birth of their third child. They went on to have a total of six children, all of whom attest to the love and care they always received from their Mom and the wonderful memories of growing up in a loving family.

Anita loved watching her kids play sports, and later watching her grandkids play. She spent many Wednesday nights during the years her younger kids were students at St Richard's working Bingo to help raise money for the school. Giving their kids a Catholic education was very important to her and Rob, no matter the sacrifice. She was a lifelong Vikings fan, and she enjoyed part time jobs and volunteering as her children grew. She was always looking for what to do next.

When Rob retired they were able to travel - and so they did! Their first trip was to Hawaii, a place they loved and visited many times afterward. They traveled to France and Ireland as well as London, Washington DC to see the WWII monument, to San Diego, Las Vegas, and trips to Florida, where they especially enjoyed Disney World. Anita loved traveling and had a great traveling partner in Rob. After her beloved Rob passed away in 2009 she was able to do some traveling with her adult children. She was always a wonderful traveling companion. She always had a smile on her face and was fun and ready for anything.

As the years progressed Anita had twelve grandchildren whom she adored

and and eventually

7 little great - grandchildren who loved their Gigi and she loved them.

She was always ready to have fun, to take a stroll around Centennial Lakes, to grab a cup of coffee and a roll, to play a game or read a story to the little ones, and to celebrate all of life's joys, especially with family. She will be very missed and lovingly remembered.

Anita was preceded in death by her husband Rob (John Robert), her sisters Erlinda and Harriet, and granddaughter Angel Christine.

Anita is survived by children Patricia (Roger), John, Mary (Leslie), Joseph (Frederique), Paul (Lisa), and Jim (Michelle). She is also survived by grandchildren Amy (Eric), Kevin (Amanda), Chris (Sarah), Tyler (fiancee Sydney), Ryan (fiancee Natalie), Lauren, Paul Jr, Romeo, Maya, Vaena, and Eliza and great grandchildren Jonathan, Anita, Emily, Nicholas, Aiden, Caitlin and Camden.

Anita is also survived by her sister Charlotte Josephson and by loving nieces and nephews.

Mass of Chrisitan Burial, 11 AM, Friday, September 19th at the Church of St. Richard, 7540 Penn Avenue South, Richfield, MN. Visitation 1 hour prior to the service.

Interment Dawn Valley Memorial Park.

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Werness Brothers Bloomington Chapel 952-884-8145

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 19. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Richard's Catholic Church
7540 Penn Avenue South
Richfield, MN 55423

Mass of Christian Burial

SEP 19. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

St. Richard's Catholic Church
7540 Penn Avenue South
Richfield, MN 55423

Graveside Service

SEP 19. 12:30 PM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Dawn Valley Memorial Park (Bloomington)
9940 Bush Lake Road
Bloomington, MN 55438

Tribute Wall

GA

“ *Anita. Was a woman who was strong, beautiful and a great mother, she'll be missed*

Gail - September 26, 2025 at 09:46 PM

JS

“ *Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord.*

And let the perpetual light shine upon her.

May her soul, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

And we pray for the souls of all our dearly departed.

Amen.

Joseph Sweeney - September 19, 2025 at 08:56 AM

FS

“ *Pour Anita, ma belle maman, la grand mère de mes enfants. C'était une joie de te connaître et d'avoir fait notre beau voyage avec toi et Rob, en Irlande. Découvrir la famille Sweeney et l'apprécier.*

Tous les moments passés tous ensembles ont été merveilleux.

Je te souhaite un bureau voyage et de retrouver ton bien aimé mari.

De tout mon cœur, je t'envoie de belles pensées...

Joe et les enfants m'accompagnent. 💖

Frédérique

Frédérique Sweeney - September 19, 2025 at 06:48 AM

JS

“ 20 files added to the album *Recent*



Jim Sweeney - September 18, 2025 at 09:47 PM

JS

“ 29 files added to the album *Family Life*



Jim Sweeney - September 18, 2025 at 09:43 PM

JS

“ 13 files added to the album *Early Life*



Jim Sweeney - September 18, 2025 at 09:41 PM

JS

“ 15 files added to the album *Anita and Rob*



Jim Sweeney - September 18, 2025 at 06:09 PM

MS

“ 4 files added to the tribute wall



Maya Sweeney - September 18, 2025 at 05:14 PM

JS

*At our house in France!
Mom. Dad. Maya. Frédérique. Roger.*

Joseph Sweeney - September 18, 2025 at 10:32 PM

MS

“ *Toutes mes pensées vont vers vous tous et une particulière à Anita. Vous avez entouré une maman qui vous a donné tant d'amour et qui est partie avec cette douceur que vous lui avez apportée.*

Bon voyage à Anita.

Je n'oublie pas Rob qui, sans lui, vous ne seriez pas cette belle famille que vous êtes.

Annie

Édouard apporte ses pensées à toute la famille.

My thoughts are with all of you, especially Anita.

You all surrounded a mother who gave you so much love and who left with the tenderness that you all brought her.

Have a good trip, Anita.

I won't forget Rob; you wouldn't be the beautiful family you are.

Annie

Édouard sends his thoughts to the whole family.

Maya Sweeney - September 18, 2025 at 05:00 PM

JS

Thank you, Annie & Edouard.

Annie is the mother of Frédérique, Edouard her friend/companion. Mom and Dad met Annie and Jean-Paul and Regine (Frédérique's father and companion) several times like at Roméo's baptism (Grenoble), Maya's baptism (north of Paris) and our wedding (Grenoble).

Joseph Sweeney - September 18, 2025 at 10:12 PM

MS

“ Chère Anita,

C'est avec beaucoup d'émotions que nous avons appris votre disparition. Nous nous associons à la très grande peine de vos enfants et petits enfants.

Nous nous étions rencontrés à deux reprises lors de votre voyage en France avec Rob, votre mari.

Vous formiez, alors, un couple de très belles personnes et de belles âmes.

Tout au long de votre vie, vous avez su être une maman attentionnée pour chacun d'eux.

Soyez fière de cette famille, aujourd'hui, unie, pour vous honorer et qui gardera pour toujours une place de choix dans son cœur.

Partez en paix, chère Anita, pour ce très long et grand voyage.

Yvette

Dominique-Jean "de France"

Dear Anita,

It was with great sadness that we learned of your passing. We share in the deep sorrow of your children and grandchildren.

We met twice during your trip to France with your husband, Rob.

You were both wonderful people and beautiful souls.

Throughout your life, you were a caring mother to each of your children.

Be proud of this family, united today, to honor you, and which will forever hold a special place in their heart.

Depart in peace, dear Anita, on this very long journey.

Yvette

Dominique-Jean "from France"

Maya Sweeney - September 18, 2025 at 04:55 PM

JS

Thank you, Yvette. Thank you Dominique.

Yvette is the "great-aunt" of Frederique, Dominique her son and Fredie's "great-cousin". Mom and Dad met Yvette (and Raymond) and Dominique at those same happy events in France: like at Roméo's baptism (Grenoble), Maya's baptism (north of Paris) and our wedding (Grenoble).

Joseph Sweeney - September 18, 2025 at 10:15 PM

JS

*Chère Annie, cher Édouard,
Chère Yvette, cher Dominique,*

Merci du fond du cœur pour vos mots si tendres et réconfortants.

Cela nous touche beaucoup de sentir votre présence auprès de nous dans ce moment difficile.

On se souvient aussi avec émotion du temps que nous avons passé avec la famille française, avec Anita et Rob, lors du baptême de Roméo, du baptême de Maya et de notre mariage. Ces heureux événements ont fait partie de la belle et longue vie que notre maman a pu partager avec nous tous.

Avec toute notre affection.

Joseph Sweeney - September 18, 2025 at 10:23 PM

PS

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



paul sweeney - September 18, 2025 at 11:10 AM

PS

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Paul Sweeney - September 17, 2025 at 07:19 PM

JS

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Joseph Sweeney - September 17, 2025 at 06:46 PM

LW

“ Lynn W. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Anita Carrier Sweeney.

Lynn W. - September 16, 2025 at 08:19 PM

VI

“ Viracon purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Anita Carrier Sweeney.



Viracon - September 16, 2025 at 11:16 AM

VI

“ *Viracon planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Anita Carrier Sweeney.*

Viracon - September 16, 2025 at 11:16 AM

NP

“ *Anita was my neighbor for the 47 years I have lived here. Her youngest was the same age as my oldest. We enjoyed sharing our tomatoes and cucumbers with her. Years ago, I would sit at her table when she worked Bingo at St. Richard's. I remember thinking that she had the most beautiful skin, no wrinkles.*

Nancy Peterson

Nancy Peterson - September 13, 2025 at 01:35 PM

JS

*Hi Nancy,
Thank you very much for your kinds words and those wonderful memories.
That was a nice memory about Bingo so long ago when mom worked there every Wed--I had forgotten that you were there at her table. And she really appreciated those tomatoes! Until the last days she loved Tomatoes on toast sandwich with mayo (like a BLT w/o the BL!) - it was one of her most favorite things to eat. She always felt your guys' tomatoes were so much better!
And yes, she did really have such lovely, smooth skin.
You are a wonderful neighbor.
Thank you very much for remembering mom.
Joe*

Joseph Sweeney - September 15, 2025 at 12:58 PM