



Valerie Ann O'Brien

September 6, 1937 - November 26, 2022

Valerie Ann O'Brien (née Ogren) passed away at Westminster St. Augustine on November 26, 2022, at the age of 85, having graciously endured the trials of Parkinson's Disease until the end.

Valerie was born in Hartford, CT, and resided for many years in Wilton, CT. There, she raised her family, co-managed a very successful catering business, The Kitchen Witches, Inc., and nurtured a multitude of friendships that lasted for decades. After moving to St. Augustine, FL in 1991, she continued to delight and entertain her many friends and family members with her culinary creations and fun celebrations. Those that knew Valerie will remember her devotion to friendship and family, as well as her great sense of humor; she was always ready with a no-nonsense quip!

Valerie was preceded in death by her husband, William A. O'Brien. She is survived by her daughter, Leslie Bell, of Deansboro, NY; son-in-law, David, and granddaughters, Emily Bell, and Elizabeth (Eliza) Bell. She is also survived by her son, Stephen, of Old Greenwich, CT; daughter-in-law Kelly, and granddaughter, Carly.

At Valerie's request, there will no service. Her internment will be in the Memorial Gardens Columbarium at the Memorial Presbyterian Church of St. Augustine, FL. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the

Parkinson's Foundation. A gathering in celebration of Valerie's life will take place in the new year.