



Maria Wiggins

January 8, 1949 - January 22, 2026

MARIA WIGGINS
POSEYVILLE, INDIANA

Maria (Kowalczyk) Wiggins, 77, of Poseyville, Indiana, passed away peacefully Thursday, January 22, 2026, at 2:30 p.m. surrounded by the loving staff of North River Health Campus in Evansville, Indiana.

Maria was born to Czeslaw “Chester” & Ruth (Kilworth) Kowalczyk in Hitchin, England, January 8, 1949. She attended St. Francis’ Catholic College in Letchworth, England for both her elementary and high-school education. Her career included working for a lawyer in England after graduation, Hirsch’s Store, Red Geranium Enterprises, and others, but most importantly to her being a stay-at-home Mom.

Maria’s life changed forever when her and friends attended a 4th of July Celebration at Chicksands Air Force Base in England, the day she met her soulmate John Robert Wiggins who was stationed there. The joke to John was always that the day we gained our independence from England, he lost his. They were married June 26, 1971 in Letchworth, England.

Surviving Maria are her daughter: Anna Maria Wiggins of Wadesville, Indiana; son: Jason Robert Wiggins of Poseyville, Indiana; her beloved and faithful puppy Marley; brother-in-law: Wayne T. Wiggins (Jackie) of Poseyville, Indiana; beloved cousins: Steve & Rosie Wiggins of Evansville, Indiana; sister: Anna Kowalczyk, Ipswich, England; brothers: Stefan Kowalczyk

(Susan), Ipswich, England and Paul Kowalczyk (Michelle), Southampton, England; sister-in-law: Carol Kowalczyk, Hitchin, England; several nieces and nephews: Darrick Wiggins (Jenny), Tricia Murphy (Jason), both of Poseyville, Indiana, along with Ben, Sam, Laura, Helaina, Daniel, Naomi & Joshua, all of England.

Preceding her in death were her parents; husband; brother: Chester Kowalczyk; mother and father-in law: Robert & Carolyn Wiggins and a sister-in-law: Suzanne Curry.

The family would like to thank the entire staff of North River Health Campus for their care, love, and compassion to Maria. After suffering from a fall in early August life was a rollercoaster for her until she moved to North River in November. She became a social butterfly, always busy with activities and events which she enjoyed so much.

Visitation will be 1-5 p.m. with a Rosary/Memorial service starting at 5 p.m., Sunday, February 1, 2026 at the Werry Funeral Home in Poseyville, Indiana. Public graveside services will be held 11 a.m., Monday, February 2, 2026 at St. Francis Cemetery near Poseyville, Indiana.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to: Tunnels to Towers Foundation, 2361 Hylan Blvd, Staten Island, NY 10306 or online at www.T2T.org.

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 1. 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

Werry Funeral Homes, Inc. (Poseyville)
16 E Fletchall Avenue
Poseyville, IN 47633
(812) 874-2418
4werryfh@gmail.com

Rosary Service

FEB 1. 5:00 PM (CT)

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Graveside Service

FEB 2. 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Francis Xavier Catholic Cemetery
5901 Highway 68
Poseyville, IN 47633

Tribute Wall

AX

“ Anna,Stefan,Paul and all our families xx purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Maria Wiggins.



Anna,Stefan,Paul and all our families xx - January 28 at 04:55 PM

LL

“ Jason & Family,
So very sorry to hear about your beautiful mother...Keeping you in my prayers.
Lisa

Lisa Lester - January 27 at 10:43 AM

RC

“ So sorry for this loss. From your Rotary Family.

Rotary Corporation - January 26 at 04:51 PM

SH

“ Jason, So very sorry to hear of the loss of your mother. May the love and memories you shared with your mother bring you comfort and peace in the days ahead. My prayers are with you.

Suzie Herring - January 26 at 10:29 AM

JP

“ I’m so sorry to hear this. It brings a lovely memory to mind of a beautiful sweet young woman who came to work with me at Welborn hospital in early 70s she was the sweetest and funniest girl. I’ve thought of her many times throughout the years. I’m happy to see she had a wonderful life. God bless her family.

Jan Delene Perkins - January 25 at 01:01 PM

SS

“ So sorry to hear of Maria’s passing. As a teen I worked with her at Hirsch’s. We loved her accent probably the first English person I had ever been around. She was so much fun to be around. We loved her as part of our Hirsch’s family.

Sarah Hirsch Smith (Bob and Katie’s daughter)

Sarah Hirsch Smith - January 24 at 04:24 PM