

Anne Ward Crocker Invites Readers on a Whimsical Journey of Friendship and Faith in Close Friends' Cathedral Adventure

CLOSE FRIENDS' CATHEDRAL ADVENTURE



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Winchester, Virginia Dec 22, 2025 ([IssueWire.com](https://www.issuewire.com)) - **Books To Life Marketing proudly presents *Close Friends' Cathedral Adventure* by Anne Ward Crocker**, a heartwarming and imaginative children's story that celebrates friendship, faith, and the awe-inspiring beauty of one of America's great cathedrals.

"Close Friends' Cathedral Adventure is a brief tour of the Washington National Cathedral from a child's point of view. It highlights the value of friendship, the grandeur of gothic architecture, the beauty of nature, and trust in God."

— *Anne Ward Crocker*

In this delightful tale, a young toad, an earthworm, and a Christmas fern are accidentally carried away from their woodland home and find themselves separated in a magnificent, unfamiliar place—the Washington National Cathedral. With courage, faith, and the help of a kindhearted new friend, they are joyfully reunited and discover a new home in the Cathedral Close.

Complete with a short glossary of cathedral architecture, *Close Friends' Cathedral Adventure* is both an engaging story and an educational journey—inviting young readers to explore themes of wonder, friendship, and divine design.

About the Author

Anne Ward Crocker was born in New Jersey and grew up in Cambridge, Maryland. She earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Dietetics from the University of Maryland in 1951 and worked for Marriott and the Washington Gaslight Company during the 1950s.

After marrying in 1956, Anne devoted herself to raising her family in Herndon, Virginia. Her life experiences—including profound loss and the blessings of motherhood—have deeply shaped her perspective on resilience, faith, and gratitude.

A lifelong learner, Anne has taken numerous courses through the Northern Virginia Community College, the Smithsonian Resident Associate Program, the Fairfax County Adult Education Program and the National Genealogical Society. Her wide-ranging interests include nature preservation, genealogy, creative writing, ecclesiastical embroidery and found-object art. She also authored *Neighbor To Neighbor Cookbook* (1982) with recipes collected while writing a bi-weekly recipe column for her local newspaper.

Anne's love for storytelling and nature shines through in her debut children's book. Begun in 1979 and completed in 2020, *Close Friends' Cathedral Adventure* is a joyful testament to her curiosity, creativity, and enduring faith.

Book Details

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- **Author:** Anne Ward Crocker
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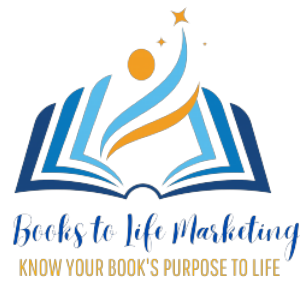
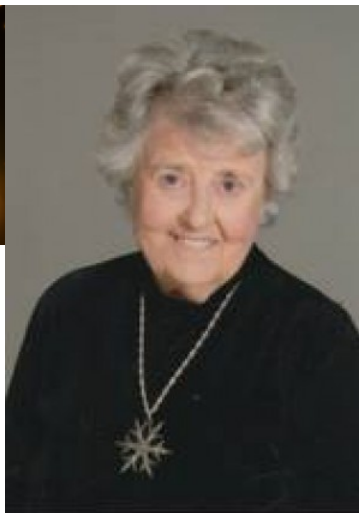
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Media Feature

Anne Ward Crocker recently appeared on ***The Chris Voss Show***, where she discussed her creative journey, her faith, and the inspiration behind ***Close Friends' Cathedral Adventure*** — you can watch the full interview here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eM16BHrB03U>

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