



Eileen Merline

October 13, 1930 - November 19, 2016

Merline, Eileen Margaret MacIntyre, age 86 will be remembered for her many talents and countless acts of love and kindness to her family and friends. She died quietly, with peace, in Seymour, Wisconsin on November 19, 2016 where she lived for a brief time. Eileen loved spending time with her family in Northern Michigan, summer Calligraphy workshops on Beaver Island, and winters golfing in Hilton Head. Her excellence in Calligraphy and her mastery of Copperplate provided her many years of employment, exhibition, and teaching opportunities. She was president of the Michigan Association of Calligraphers and served in many capacities on their board. Eileen was a wonderful hostess, helper, and taskmaster. She knew how to laugh often and listen well. She was a self-determined woman whose patience as a mother, grandmother and friend will always be treasured.

Her husband, John, and sister, Sandra Nesbitt preceded her in death. She will be held in loving memory by her children, Michael, Karen Ganiard (Rod), Thomas (Colleen Sandrin), James (Tracy), John (Kimberly), David, her 14 grandchildren, her one great grandchild, and her brother, Donald MacIntyre.

Visitation will take place 2pm-6pm at Wm. Sullivan and Son Funeral Home, 705 W. Eleven Mile Road in Royal Oak on Sunday, November 27. In state 9:30 am Holy Name Church on Monday, November 28, Funeral Mass at

10am, followed by a luncheon. Interment at White Chapel Cemetery.
Contributions may be made in Eileen's name to the Michigan Association of
Calligraphers. Share your memories at www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com.

Cemetery Details

White Chapel Memorial Cemetery

621 W. Long Lake Road
Troy, MI 48098

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 27. 2:00 AM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Wm. Sullivan and Son Funeral Directors-Royal Oak
705 W. Eleven Mile Road
Royal Oak, MI 48067
(248) 541-7000
royal@sullivanfh.com
<https://www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com/>

Funeral Mass

NOV 28. 10:00 AM (ET)

Holy Name Catholic Church
630 Harmon
Birmingham, MI 48009

Tribute Wall

SK

“ Dear Merline family,

My deepest condolences on the loss of your mother. Your entire family -- David, of course, but honestly the entire family -- played such an important role in my life. I have so many memories of Eileen it's hard to separate her from childhood at all. I will always be grateful for the care and love she showed me. May you take comfort in your own memories of her. I am sorry I could not be there in person to express my condolences.

*Thinking of you,
Seth Korelitz*

Seth Korelitz - November 30, 2016 at 12:34 AM

JG

“ Dear Karen (and all your siblings),
I still have a saying that your mom calligraphied (is that a word?) in 1988 of a Shakespeare sonnet:

*Thou art thy mother's glass, and she in thee,
Calls back the lovely Aprill of her prime
So thou through windowes of thine age shalt see,
Despight of wrinkles, this thy goulden time....*

Everytime I see it, I think of your mom. She will be missed. Love and hugs to all of you!

JoAnne (Sauter) Geiger

Jo Geiger - November 26, 2016 at 06:17 PM

JR

“ Dear Karen, Michael, Jimmy, Tommy, John, and David, I am so sorry for your loss. I grew up next door to you all on Wales--hence the nicknames. Your Mom was so special to me, to my family, to our neighborhood, to our community. She had the greatest birthday parties in the back yard. Once there was a tornado warning and our Mom wasn't home. Your Mom came over and got us all down in your basement. I made enough money babysitting at your house to get all the way out to Seattle to visit a friend. She did the calligraphy for my wedding invitations. She had warm, supportive, and practical advice when my husband died. Your Mom will be missed and remembered---she is forever part of our history. Love to all of you.

Jeanne Rem - November 26, 2016 at 11:20 AM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Eileen Merline.



November 25, 2016 at 01:41 PM

DB

“ Dear Karen & Rod,
My most sincere sympathies to your whole family. I never met your Mom but I feel that I knew so much about her! What love & respect you gave her in her final years. My prayers are with you...
Sincerely,
Donna at Dr Hein's office, Green Bay , WI

Donna Biebel - November 25, 2016 at 12:27 PM



“ *Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Eileen Merline.*



November 23, 2016 at 11:53 AM



“ *in gratitude*

alex, michael, ida - November 23, 2016 at 10:46 AM