



Eileen Jeanette Nichols

December 5, 1937 - February 14, 2009

Eileen J. Luczyk Nichols, 71, died unexpectedly at home on Saturday, February 14, 2009. She was the loving mother of Peg Marian Danowski, Kate James Rybicki and John Rebecca Nichols. She will be greatly missed by her eight grandchildren, Eric, John and Alex Danowski; Patrick, Charlie and Sabrina Rybicki; and Jacob and Jack Nichols. Eileen was born and raised in Detroit, attended Visitation High School, the University of Detroit and earned her degree from Oakland University. She served in human resources at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Pontiac from 1972-1989. She continued her career in human resources at Providence Hospital in Southfield from 1989-1999. After retiring in 1999, Eileen devoted countless hours as a volunteer at Common Ground Sanctuary. She was a docent at the National Shrine of the Little Flower Catholic Church and the Detroit Institute of Arts, and volunteered at several Detroit-based soup kitchens. She deeply loved and appreciated her family and friends. She loved learning, music, movies and theatre, enjoyed time in her garden and treasured her frequent trips to Stratford. She played fair, listened carefully, laughed a lot, and bounced back. Visitation will be held on Thursday from 2-5 p.m. and 7-9 p.m. with a 7 p.m. prayer service at Wm. Sullivan & Son Funeral Home, 705 W. Eleven Mile Road 4 blks. East of Woodward, Royal Oak, MI 48067. Eileen will lie in state from 9:30 a.m. until the time of mass 10 a.m. at the National Shrine of the Little Flower, 2100 W. Twelve Mile Road, Royal Oak, MI 48073. At Eileen's request, contributions may be made to St. Leo Soup Kitchen, 4860 15th Street, Detroit, MI 48208

and/or Common Ground Sanctuary, 1410 S. Telegraph Road, Bloomfield Hills,
MI 48302. Share your memories at www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com.

Tribute Wall

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“ *A sweet friendship of nearly 50 years begun as neighbors with the birth of our first children ... and now our first-borns continue this friendship ... What a WONDERFUL woman and mother and friend*

Cal Rosenberg - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

BK

“ *Dear Peg, Kate & John, Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Wish I could be there today. God bless.*

Bill Kramer - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Dear Peg, Katie & John ~ I'm so very sorry for your loss. I loved your Mom - I worked for/with her at St. Joe's. She was always compassionate, had a wonderful sense of humor, was knowledgeable and she worked hard. From her I learned much - about the job & life. We shared a lot about our lives - through her I watched you grow up - she did the same with my daughter. We often laughed because people would call the Employment office but could never get our names right. She was Ms. Nupski and I was Ms. Clenzy we thought we should change our office name to Nupski/Clenzy! May God Bless you all - remember the beautiful legacy of compassion & love that she left behind as a road map for you to follow. God Bless You Now & Always~ Sharon*

Sharon McClendon - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“ I had the pleasure of working with Eileen on the crisis line at Common Ground. I was her shift supervisor for a little over a year. The kindness and compassion she shared with callers in distress was truly remarkable. She extended love and support to her shift mates as well. Most of all, I'll remeber fondly the way she exclaimed "Oh my!" when hearing something extraordinary, which happens quite often on a crisis line. May her loved ones find moments of comfort and peace during this time.

Cheryl Ross - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“ In memory of your beloved mother , grandmother, and dearest friend . Eileen J. Nichols February 18, 2009 The Traveler By James Dillet Freeman She has put on invisibility, Dear Lord, I cannot see--- but this I know, although the road ascends And passes from my sight, That there will be no night; that You will take her gently by the hand And lead her on along the road of life that never ends, And she will find it is not death but dawn, I do not doubt that You are there as here, and You will hold her dear. Our life did not begin with birth, It is not of the earth; And this that we call death, it is no more than the opening and closing of a door---- And in Your house how many rooms must be Beyond this one where we rest momentarily. Dear Lord, I thank You for the faith that frees, The love that knows it cannot lose its own; the love that, looking through the shadows, sees That You and she and I are ever one! Mary Margaret & Ernie Brosch

Mary Margaret Brosch - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ To the 3 family units, I have been so blessed to share the loves, laughs, tears, and life of Eileen and, through her, your entire family. Your mom was truly an amazing person. Her energy and zest for life were a wonder to be part of books, movies, her garden, Stratford, politics, family celebrations, vacations, friends, and TALKING about everything. She was interested in whatever was going on in other's lives and you always knew she had really heard you by her thoughtful gifts and cards. She could be serious or silly in equal parts. And of course, she was such a good friend to Deb. I am eternally grateful for how Eileen opened her heart and home to me and made me part of the family, without hesitation. No matter how many other interests she had, the center of her life was always you she loved you all and I know she'd like to take away your pain right now. Her passing was so sudden you didn't have the chance to say goodbye but know that whatever you might have said she already knew. The light in all of our lives has grown a little dimmer with the loss of Eileen but just imagine the stories she's sharing with Beulah. I'm so sorry for your loss. I love you all. Jill

Jill Calvin - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM