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Eileen Corridan with her sparkling Irish blue eyes, and a gift of Blarney had a dream.... Coming from the small beginnings of a family farm known as "Knockmeale" that is located in the Irish hills just outside of Abbeyfeale, Ireland. It is still named as Knockmeale. Her parents were Rosanna Lane Corridan and John Corridan. Together they raised seven children, Ellen, Jim, John, Ned, Hannah (Aunt Joan), Nancy (Sister Helena) and Tim. They walked two miles to school each day and were never, ever late. (If you believe that, we may have a plot of land to sell to you.) Well, I don't but mom might.

In 1944 an adventurous young woman left her home, family and all that she knew. She came to the United States with the help of a British Council General and his family. She worked as a nanny for the next year and a half in Grosse Point. It was difficult and isolating at times; having only the company of tiny little creatures, she would later learn were squirrels. A mailman who noticed she received much mail from Ireland introduced her to his Irish daughter and this opened up her opportunities to come, in Corktown. As the British family were preparing to return home, young Eileen was not ready to leave her new home, life or her new friends. With the help of the British family she was sent to Canada for four hours and returned to Detroit as a legal Irish

immigrant.

She made lifelong friends at The Friendly Sons of Saint Patrick's and worked as a hotel clerk in Detroit. She met Thomas J. Mallon at the Gaelic League in Corktown and on September 25, 1950 she married the man she would love forever. Together they created a village with the addition of their children Brian, Peggy, Kevin, Brendan, Shiela, Daniel and Gerald. Together with their significant other's they brought to Eileen and Tom, ten beautiful grandchildren and then ten great-grandchildren. These children brought bundles of joy to their lives. This young Irish gal had come so far from her humble beginnings to a life full of love and laughter.

Her love of travel, took her back home to Ireland many times as well as England, Egypt, Australia, New Zealand, Hawaii, Alaska and of course Caseville. Caseville a home away from home, close to the water, a cottage small in size but filled to the brim with family, friends and countless memories. It was a favorite place for her, being close to those she loved was something she held dearly always.

Preceded in her death were her parent's, her spouse Jim, son Brendan, her siblings and many lifelong friends. I imagine my dad welcoming her to heaven with open arms asking "what took so long to get here?" She clearly will be welcomed by many with stories, laughs, drinks, good music, hugs and joy to share.

A memorial service is planned for a later date. Please check back for updates.

Memorial contributions to the Capuchin Soup Kitchen are greatly appreciated:
https://www.cskdetroit.org/ways_to_give/donations.

Eileen's Irish Soda Bread

3 1/2 C. of flour

1/2 C. Sugar

Dash of salt (Tsp)

1/2 LB. Butter or oleo

1/2 C. Raisins (Golden Raisins optional)

Flat or less TSP. Baking Soda

Caraway Seeds (handful)

Buttermilk 1 Pint or 1/2 Quart

Knead dough but not too long / 5 or 6 times

Flatten dough in 10 in iron skillet / but glass is okay

Takes about 1 hour at 350 degrees

Cemetery Details

Holy Sepulchre Cemetery

25800 W. 10 Mile Road
10 Mile Road @ Beech Road
Southfield, MI 48033

Tribute Wall



“ We are so very sorry to hear of the loss of your Mom. We will keep Her and all of you in our thoughts and prayers. Gone, but never forgotten! God Bless you!
Wanda, Gary and Rick

Rick DeLorme - April 25, 2020 at 11:31 PM

BP

“ Brian & Shelly, we are so sad to hear of the passing of such a wonderful lady. We are sorry we never got to meet her and hear some of her stories. Remember all the good times and take comfort knowing she is never really gone, she is with you always. Becky & Jeff

Becky Plants - April 25, 2020 at 02:53 PM

GS

“ Brian and Shelly, so sad to hear of your loss. I pray the hurt you feel today will soon be replaced by the fond memories she brought you two thru the years. Gary and Sally

gary N Sally - April 25, 2020 at 07:37 AM

GB

“ Gabe And Bob lit a candle in memory of Eileen C. Mallon



Gabe and Bob - April 23, 2020 at 07:03 PM

SM

“ One of my first and fondest memories was on the eve of our wedding. Eileen had invited my entire family over for dinner. My parents and my brother and sister from Tennessee, My grandmother from Washington, my grandparents from Ohio and my great aunt and uncle from Florida. Along with all the Mallon family. She had the basement all decorated for the occasion. The neighbor ladies came over to serve the dinner and everyone had so much fun. This was the beginning of my life as a Mallon. Over 46 years now.

Another memory of her is when each of our girls were born. We lived only about a half mile from her. She would randomly come over to the house get our daughter take her to the rocking chair. Hold them for about ten to fifteen minutes. Put them back where she found them and leave. She loved babies. And it was a joy to watch. For many years she was worried she would never become a Great Grandmother. Now she has ten.

We had so many fun times with all the family in Caseville. It seemed like she was always in the kitchen cooking for everyone, both in Caseville and at home in Royal Oak. She loved socializing with her neighbors and friends. She loved Christmas. I loved the stories she would tell me about her days growing up in Abbeyfeale. Stories about her grandmother, her father, all her cousins and about school. She lived a full life. Now she has so much to share with her family up in heaven. She is finally at peace. God rest her soul.

Shelly Mallon - April 23, 2020 at 01:57 PM

KD

“ We will Miss You Aunt Eileen!! I always felt so loved when I talked to you-Thank You for that!! Always loved hearing your Irish Brogue telling the many stories/adventures you had!! Heaven just got a wee bit more fun when you joined the gang!! Much Love!! Mark, Kathy, Sean & Dana

Kathy Dempsey - April 23, 2020 at 12:26 PM

SM

“ *I have never met a kinder person. She shared her love of family, friends and the world with anyone who crossed her path. I aspire to be just like her. I love you, and know you will be doing the same for all of us in heaven.*

Shannon Mallon - April 23, 2020 at 10:29 AM