



Elsa Katherine Tenney

May 16, 1935 - December 18, 2024

Elsa Tenney, age 89, of Sterling Heights (formerly of Hazel Park), passed away at her home on December 18, 2024. She was born on May 16, 1935, to Arnold and Winifred Rocholl in Detroit, MI. She met Jesse Tenney in Detroit, and they were married on December 31, 1954.

Beloved wife to Jesse. Loving mother to her children Sharon (Dave) Millard, Ralph (Kathy) Tenney, Roger (Bonita) Tenney and Richard Tenney. Proud "Grandma" of Joy (Phil) Gregg, Ruth (Stephen) Baluch, Emily (RJ) Pasco, Lauren (James) Olekszyk, Jacob (Heather) Tenney, Charles Tenney, Joshua (Nicole) Tenney, Nick (Laura) Tenney, Leah (Marvin) Robinson and 17 great grandchildren. Dear sister of Eleanor Christie and the late Arnold Rocholl, Edith Bunker, Harold Rocholl, and Evelyn Rocholl.

Elsa graduated from the High School of Commerce in Detroit and served as a bookkeeper at Blue Cross Blue Shield in Detroit until becoming a stay-at-home mom. She was active with other activities while being a dedicated mother including supporting her children through local PTA involvement where she served as president for a time. She was also an accomplished seamstress which served her and others well. Elsa was a long-time member of Ferndale Free Methodist Church where she worked as secretary from the time her children reached school age until her retirement, providing faithful and caring service for 26 years. A woman of strong faith, family was the next

most important thing to her.

Friends and family will gather on Saturday, January 4, 2025, from 10:00 am until time of service at 11:00 am at Wm. Sullivan & Son Funeral Directors, 705 W. Eleven Mile Road (4 blks. E. of Woodward), Royal Oak, 48067. Elsa will be laid to rest at Great Lakes National Cemetery in Holly Township, Michigan.

Please share a memory at www.SullivanFuneralDirectors.com

Cemetery Details

Great Lakes National Cemetery

4200 Belford Road
Holly Township, MI 48442

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 4. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Wm. Sullivan and Son Funeral Directors-Royal Oak
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Funeral Service

JAN 4. 11:00 AM (ET)

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