



Jean Elizabeth Smothers

September 4, 1928 - November 8, 2015

Smothers, Jean Elizabeth, age 87, a lifelong resident of Royal Oak, passed away November 8, 2015 at Henry Ford West Bloomfield Hospital. She was born September 4, 1928 in Royal Oak. Jean was the loving mother of Paige E. Smothers and the late Fred "Skip" (Patricia, surviving) Smothers; proud grandmother of Jordan Potter, Alexis and Leanna Smothers; beloved daughter of the late Fred and Adeline Mann; dear sister of the late Doris (late Walter) Morris and the late Muriel (late Charles) Wilcop; also survived by several nieces and nephews.

A 1947 graduate of Dondero High School, Jean started her working career at Enners Dining Room on South Washington, serving the finest salads in Royal Oak for 90 cents, and receiving a hefty tip of 10 cents in 1947. Later she became a switchboard operator at Valenite Metals, then Detroit Diesel and eventually retiring from the Royal Oak Post Office, as a window clerk, after 26 years of dedicated service.

Jean was a loving and giving woman, helping many family members and friends, whether it was financial or just friendly advice, she cared deeply for them. Jean was frugal, a true penny pincher/"bean counter" until it came to something she liked. She enjoyed garage/yard sales, but most of all, the excitement of a good old fashioned barn auction, where the best antiques could be found.

Jean was surrounded by loving family while she breathed her last pain free breathe. She was a strong woman, cheating death many times. Her strong constitution got her through the worst of times, thus her legacy to her beautiful granddaughters Jordan, Alexis, and Leanna, of whom she was proud and blessed.

Memorial visitation Saturday 10 a.m. until the time of service 12 noon at the Wm. Sullivan & Son Funeral Home, 705 W 11 Mile Road (4 blocks E of Woodward), Royal Oak. Memorials to the Leader Dogs for the Blind or Henry Ford Hospice are appreciated. Share your memories at www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com.

Previous Events

Memorial Visitation

NOV **14**. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

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Memorial Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Jean Elizabeth Smothers.*



November 13, 2015 at 10:24 AM



“ *Rest in peace Mrs. Smothers and tell my mom Marge we all said hi you were a true friend of Marge Demars you had a long blessed life. enjoy God's garden! Tim Demars and children*



Tim DeMars - November 12, 2015 at 07:13 PM



“ *To the family of Jean Smolders : Please accept my sincere sympathy for the loss of your loved one. While we don't know one another, experiencing the devastation of losing a loved one is something we all sadly face in our lives. The Bible promises a time when "death will be no more" (Rev 21:3.4) and assures us that God hears our prayers (Ps 55:22). I hope this brings you some peace during this difficult time.*

Wanda - November 12, 2015 at 09:10 AM

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“ *Our deepest sympathy for you. Remember the laughs and the good times, know that Mom is at eternal rest now. Thinking of you as you morn the loss of Jean, hoping that with time a gentle peace will return to your lives.*



*Love you more,
Dale and Michele*

Michele - November 10, 2015 at 05:34 PM