



Joan Marie Fisher

October 3, 1932 - December 4, 2020

Joan Marie Fisher, age 88, passed away on December 4, 2020 in Northville. She was born on October 3, 1932 in Chicago. Her parents were Jacob and Florence (Mother) Paul and later Frances (Mom) Paul. Beloved wife of 67 years of Richard. Loving mother of Lynette Macolly, Lanine Fisher, Dana Fisher, Janine Fisher-Ethier, Janette Evans and the late Scott Fisher. Sister of Paul M. Paul. Proud grandmother of Tina, Gregory, Colleen, Joan, Brian (Mary Beth), Timothy (Morgan), Jonathan and Rhett. Great-grandmother of Landry, Lillian, Mairin and Robert. Also dear to her were her sisters-in-law Marilyn and Linda and the late Roger (twin brother of Richard) and special Aunt Irene. All of these she cherished deeply.

An Air Force spouse for nearly three decades, Joan was an extraordinary mother who raised six children on three continents. She was a Red Cross volunteer in Berlin behind the Iron Curtain and in Maryland. Joan dedicated herself for many years as a sacristan at St. Mary Catholic Church in Royal Oak and supported the South Oakland Shelter (now Lighthouse) from its inception in 1985. Together, she and her husband Richard, "adopted" several seniors, giving them an extended family and invaluable assistance in their golden years. As busy as she was, she still had time for her hobbies: collecting coins, clipping coupons, coloring, staying abreast of the news, and loving her grandchildren.

Joan brought love and light to everyone she met and tenaciously maintained friendships with dear ones near and far, especially at Christmas time. She will

be very sorely missed by so many, but her love will surely continue from above.

There will be no public services at this time. Memorial contributions to IHM Motherhouse, 610 W. Elm St., Monroe 48162 are appreciated.

Cemetery Details

Great Lakes National Cemetery

4200 Belford Road
Holly Township, MI 48442

Tribute Wall

LJ

“ I was sorry to hear about Joan's passing. She was one of the sweetest people I've met. The one thing I will remember about Joan is her joyful spirit, which shown through in many ways. I have wonderful memories of working with Joan as a sacristan, she was always kind and had a fun sense of humor. My sympathies go out to Dick and his family on their loss and may God give them strength as they go through this difficult time.

Loretta Jakubiec

Loretta Jakubiec - December 13, 2020 at 04:03 PM

SS

“ My husband and I would sometimes sit close to Joan and Richard during 4:30 mass at St. Mary. Joan was such a kind-hearted woman. Heaven is gaining a beautiful soul.

Sandra Myers Smith - December 12, 2020 at 06:59 PM

PD

“ I am very sorry that Mrs. Fisher has passed away. My deepest sympathy to Mr. Fisher and the rest of the family. The Fishers were long time active members at St. Mary Church and made significant contributions within the parish community. I was happy to see them not too long ago at Mass and was able to spend a few minutes chatting. Mrs. Fisher was always very sweet and interested in how my family was doing. I will miss her.

Patricia Donohue - December 06, 2020 at 11:10 PM

PA

“Joan Fisher will always be my "Big Sister" She always had a pretty smile, an upbeat attitude and an encouraging word for you when you felt down. She never forgot to send me a Birthday Greeting Card throughout my whole life!

When Joan, Richard and her children would visit her Dad and my Mom here in Worth, IL Good times were had by all! We certainly became a family!

As Joan's "Little Brother" I witnessed Mom & Joan's relationship grow as Mom & Daughter. Letters & pictures exchanged over the years. Chatting up a storm together. Going shopping together without buying a single item! Having lunch together at the Walnut Room of Marshall Fields at Christmas time and enjoying every moment! The way Joan accepted my Mom as her own was a beautiful thing to see!

After Mom passed in 2012, Joan sent me a Sympathy Card with these words regarding my Mom:

"What a Lady! What a Mom! How blessed we all were to be a part of her life!"

Yes, Joan as you "Little Brother" the same can be said of you as well!

"What a Lady!" What a Big Sister!" How blessed I have been to be a part of your Life!

P.S Say Hi to Mom & Dad for me when you see them in Heaven!

Paul

Paul - December 06, 2020 at 08:32 PM

JT

“ *Lanine and Family,
My sincerest condolences to you all! Your Mom was such a sweetheart! Always full of love and smiles, she was always so very welcoming to me when I would come over to see your Brother Scott! Her love for God was very strong and shined through her in how she held herself. She is now walking the streets of gold next to our very loving Father! You all are in my thoughts and prayers through this time of mourning. May God bring you all comfort through this time.*



Jessica (Brown) Taylor - December 05, 2020 at 09:07 PM

LF

Thank you, Jessica, for your kind words.

Lanine Fisher - December 06, 2020 at 06:41 PM

JE

“ *My Mom was able to leave Sunrise for appointments. I was blessed to have these times with her. Always a smile and never a sad word or look as Alzheimer changed her abilities. I enjoyed moments with her eating a huge white chocolate Raspberry cupcake. Choosing mostly to only eat the frosting. Licking her fingers. Enjoying a delicious piece of Cherry pie. The joy of getting cheeseburgers and a shake at McDonalds. I'll always cherish these last few memories and she never forgot my name. I love her and will hold dear the knowledge I will see her again.*

Janette Evans - December 05, 2020 at 12:33 PM