



## Joyce E. Haman

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Joyce died on November 9th of complications from a heart procedure. She had just turned 83 on October 31, 2022. Joyce is survived by her adult children, Sharon Jonah and Sandy Eichel (Nancy Noet) and her granddaughters, Jessie and Nikki.

Joyce was born and raised in Rochester, NY. The arts were an important part of her life. Joyce's steady childhood companion was her sketch book and she continued to sketch for her children and grandchildren throughout her life. When she was young, she was gifted a used violin by a church member which allowed her to be a part of the youth string program. That started a love of music that lasted her entire life. Music and art were her refuge from the struggles of life with a single mom with significant economic stress. She received a scholarship in high school to take private violin lessons at the Eastman School of Music. Joyce went to Oswego State University to study education and continue her love of music by singing in her college choir. She was the first person in her family to graduate from college.

Joyce passed her love of the arts to her two children. She was adamant about having a piano in the home for her kids. As a classical music lover, she filled

their home with many genres of music including orchestral, choral, musical theatre and contemporary. Joyce moved Sharon and Sandy to Sterling Heights, so that they could go to a high school with excellent visual arts, music and theatre. Sharon went on to study graphic design at the Center for Creative Studies and Sandy went on to study opera at Western Michigan University.

She had a special relationship with her granddaughters and was known fondly as "Grammie". Joyce spent a significant amount of time with them when they were young which forged a deep lifelong connection.

Her faith and involvement in church activities were an important part of her life. She sang in church choirs up until 2019 and enjoyed Bible studies and discussion groups as well as her monthly meetings with the "Saturday Sisters", a group of close church friends that discussed books, their faith and supported each other.

Joyce loved decorating her home for each season and holiday. She especially enjoyed decorating and dressing in costume for Halloween, her birthday. She was well known for sending cards for occasions. She loved letting know people how she felt about them.

Mike was her significant other in the last 5 years of her life and brought her much joy. She lit up in his presence and they enjoyed many spirited conversations and excursions.

Joyce was the perfect name for her, she was a joy to everyone who met her. Joyce was deeply loved by many and she would want people to know how much she appreciated and loved everyone in her life.

If you would like to make a donation in her honor, we ask you to donate to the

"Go Red for Women" through the American Heart Association at this link: <[http://www2.heart.org/site/SPageNavigator/donatenow\\_goredforwomen.html?s\\_src=20U2W1UEMG&s\\_subsrc=give\\_to\\_grfw\\_donate\\_link](http://www2.heart.org/site/SPageNavigator/donatenow_goredforwomen.html?s_src=20U2W1UEMG&s_subsrc=give_to_grfw_donate_link)>

When you make a donation, the website will allow you to enter her name as a tribute. Funds raised go to research and education of heart disease in women.

There will be a memorial gathering on December 27th from 12:00 pm until the time of her Celebration of Life at 1:00 pm at the Wm. Sullivan & Son Funeral Home, 705 W 11 Mile Road (4 blocks E of Woodward, Royal Oak, MI 48067.

Please share a memory at [www.SullivanFuneralDirectors.com](http://www.SullivanFuneralDirectors.com).

# Previous Events

## Memorial Gathering

DEC 27. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

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705 W. Eleven Mile Road  
Royal Oak, MI 48067  
(248) 541-7000  
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## Celebration of Life

DEC 27. 1:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



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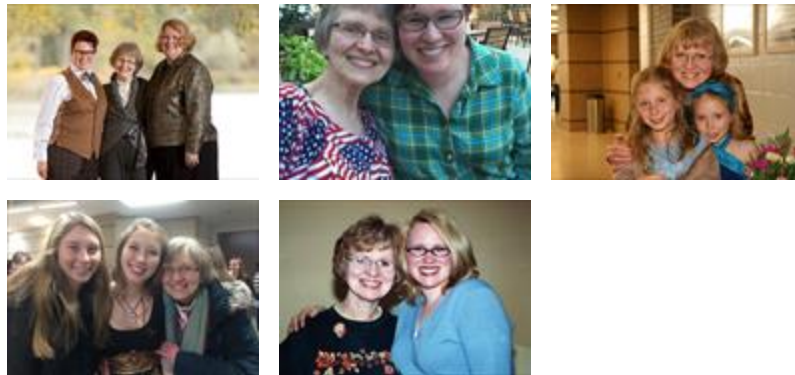


“ I will always remember how sweet you were. When our friend, Sue, was home and unable to speak on her hospice bed, you went over and sang some of Sue's favorite hymns to her. It was so beautiful. I have a special little book you gave me to always remind me of your goodness.

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