



## Joyce L. Sylvester

August 12, 1929 - June 30, 2011

Joyce L. Sylvester, age 81, of Sterling Heights, passed away June 30, 2011, at her home. Beloved wife of the late Raymond. Dear mother of Kenneth, Larry pre-deceased, Theodore Laurie Wechter, Daniel, and David. Loving grandmother of Christopher, Eric Iyleea, Amber, Crystal and Danielle. Loving great grandmother of Brianna, Sage and Madelynn. Dear sister of Patricia Robert Dennington, and the late Shirley and brother in law Harvey Moran. Visitation at Wm. Sullivan & Son Funeral Home, 8459 Hall Rd., Utica, Sunday and Monday 2:00 - 9:00 PM. Joyce will lie in state on Tuesday at St. Ephrem Catholic Church 17 Mile and Dodge Park Rds. from 9:00 AM until 10:00 AM time of Mass. Interment St. Lawrence Cemetery. Memorials suggested to the Joyce Sylvester Tap-Dance Scholarship for children who need help making their dreams come true. [www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com](http://www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com)

# Tribute Wall

KD

“ You will be missed. You were truly an inspiration to me and a wonderful teacher.

Kaitie Damitski - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

KA

“ Wow, I am so sorry to hear about your Mom and Grandmother. I haven't seen her in years, but, her name forever puts a smile on my face. I had taken tap and a few other classes with her, she was an important part of my life. My dad always got laid off back then and if it wasn't for her giving great classes for great prices a lot of us kids could have never had the experience of dance! Until eternity.....Karen

Karen - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TV

“ Words cannot express my sadness to hear of Mrs. Sylvester's passing. She was a wonderful, caring lady who will be missed by many. I was proud to have the honor of knowing her for many years. She touched so many lives and was loved by all of her girls. I considered her family. My heart goes out to her sons and their families. The world of dance will never be the same.

Tami Kessler Vazquez - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

EK

“ I am truly sad to hear of Mrs. Sylvester's passing. She was a wonderful and caring lady. I will miss her. Love Eileen

Eileen Porretta Klein - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

LM

“ I have fond memories of Mrs. Sylvester teaching me jazz and tap in her basement. She also taught my daughter. She was loved and admired by many. Now she is at home in the loving arms of her Savior and Lord. Ted, you and your family are in my prayers.

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**Linda Sasse Maitland** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

KG

“ Mrs. Sylvester. What a wonderful woman! She gave me confidence in myself through dancing. I loved her! My entire family sends their love & condolences to the Sylvester family. Kathy LaPonse Gerus-Darbison

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**Kathy Gerus-Darbison** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ Ted and Laurie and family, I am sorry to hear of your loss. I never had the pleasure of meeting Joyce, but knowing Ted, I know she was a fabulous mother. And Laurie, she obviously was a good judge of character because she knew Ted had chosen a wonderful mate.

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**Jeri Schneider** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TR

“ Joyce showed me what a serving mother looked like. She was always kind, friendly, welcoming, and loving. Our contact was limited, but her impact was enormous. I know that you are now sitting at the feet of Jesus with the same thankful heart you showed me all those years ago. Thank you!

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**The Reids** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TD

“ I am so sorry to hear of the passing of your mother, Ted. I heard many wonderful stories about her over the years. Her fortitude, her drive, and her love of her children stand as testament to a life well lived. I know she will be dearly missed. My heart goes out to you and your family.

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**Teresa DeZazzo** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

BT

“ She was always nice to me. Even if she was complaining about something it seemed she was still smiling. I remember the dance classes she had in the basement and that she seemed to put a lot into it. She was a good person. She raised 5 boys by herself. That's enough for anybody .

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**bill tomkovic** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

BB

“ A lovely woman with a big heart.

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**Bob Brohl** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

LW

“ Joyce was wonderful to me. I was lucky to have such a loving mother-in-law who took me in her arms and hugged me the first time Ted brought me home. I was startled at her immediate and unconditional love. She always told me I was the daughter she never had and it was a privilege being that to her.

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**Laurie Wechter** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM