



Lois J. Nichols

March 4, 1932 - October 14, 2019

Lois Jane Nichols (née Reichel) was born March 4, 1932 in Detroit. She was raised in Ferndale, graduated from the Shrine of the Little Flower High School and attended the University of Detroit and Central Michigan College.

She began her business career as an executive secretary for the advertising firms of Ross Roy, Inc. and Grant Advertising in Detroit. When Beaumont Hospital opened in Royal Oak in 1955, she followed her mother in joining the volunteer service committee. She continued as a volunteer serving on their Board of Directors and she was elected President in 1968. Following a year in this role, she was named executive director of the volunteer organization and held this position until her retirement 40 years later in 2008. Volunteers often remarked that Lois said she had "the best job in the hospital," and many of her closest friends were, indeed, volunteers.

Lois was a member of the Shrine of the Little Flower parish, the Founders Society of the Detroit Institute of Arts and the Birmingham Community House Senior Women's Organization.

Lois is survived by her brother John (Shelly) Reichel, nephews Kenneth Reichel, Robert (Karen) Reichel, Donald (Ellen) Reichel, David (Kathy) Reichel, Susan Reichel, Lori High, and John Reichel, Jr., as well as other great and great-great nieces and nephews and cousins.

Preceding her in death, her lifelong partner and a dear and close friend, Arthur Jordan, brother Donald Reichel and parents, Irene and George Reichel.

Visitation Thursday, October 17, from 4 - 8 p.m. at Wm. Sullivan and Son Funeral Home, 705 W. 11 Mile Rd., Royal Oak (4 blocks east of Woodward). Funeral Mass will take place Friday at 12:00 p.m. (11:30 in state) at National Shrine of the Little Flower Basilica, Royal Oak. Inurnment will take place at White Chapel Memorial Cemetery, Troy.

Contributions may be made to the Hospice of Michigan. To make a gift by mail, click here to download and print a donation form (https://secure2.convio.net/hom/site/DocServer/Donation_Form_for_Web.pdf?docID=961). Mail the completed form to Hospice of Michigan, 989 Spaulding SE, Ada, MI 49301. To make a gift by phone, call 1-800-669-9335.

Cemetery Details

White Chapel Memorial Cemetery

621 W. Long Lake Road
Troy, MI 48098

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT 17. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Wm. Sullivan and Son Funeral Directors-Royal Oak
705 W. Eleven Mile Road
Royal Oak, MI 48067
(248) 541-7000
royal@sullivanfh.com
<https://www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com/>

Funeral Mass

OCT 18. 12:00 PM (ET)

National Shrine of the Little Flower Basilica
2100 W. 12 Mile Road
Royal Oak, MI 48073

Tribute Wall



“ *Rose Romanesque Bouquet* was purchased for the family of Lois J. Nichols.



October 17, 2019 at 12:03 PM



“ *Arrive in Style* was purchased for the family of Lois J. Nichols.



October 16, 2019 at 11:14 AM



“ *Arrive in Style* was purchased for the family of Lois J. Nichols.



October 16, 2019 at 06:47 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket* was purchased for the family of Lois J. Nichols.



October 15, 2019 at 07:43 PM