



Margaret Roberts

December 26, 1935 - October 7, 2023

Margaret Ellen Roberts (nee McCarthy) entered her eternal home on October 7, 2023, surrounded by her loved ones after a challenging and difficult illness. She was born December 26, 1935 to parents born in Ireland and grew up in a neighborhood filled with Irish aunts, uncles, cousins and friends. She started school with four girlfriends and stayed close with them throughout her life as her “forever friends”. Her husband Bill was the love of her life during their marriage of over 66 years. Margaret was at peace and had finished her final task in life, caring for her husband throughout his illness and death last September. Her faith in Christ was her foundation throughout her life and she has fought the good fight, she has finished the race, she has kept the faith and is now at rest.

She is survived by her daughter Karen Marie Allen (James), sons Michael Charles (Daneen) and David Edward (Linda); grandchildren Alex Neuman (Sarah), Megan Roberts, Jeremy and Julian Roberts; special nephew Larry Coalier (Melanie), as well as many other nieces and nephews.

Margaret was a tremendous presence in the lives of many; she was kind, generous, wise and funny. She could find the humor in most situations and always gave us permission to laugh, most especially at ourselves. A treasured plaque in her kitchen read “Blessed are those who can laugh at themselves, for they shall be forever amused”. She was also strong and determined and

many years ago, when wanting to advance the funding for juvenile diabetes research, she helped found the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation. She enjoyed crocheting, bowling and playing cards, and after retirement, she and her husband Bill actively volunteered at the Royal Oak Senior Center. She was a good neighbor, friend and Christian, and helped others in large and small ways throughout her life.

In lieu of flowers, family requests donations to the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation (<<https://www.jdrf.org/>>) or the Detroit Rescue Mission (<<https://drrmm.org/>>).

Visitation will be Thursday, October 12th from 4:00 - 8:00 p.m. at Wm. Sullivan Funeral Home in Royal Oak with services on Friday, October 13th at 11:00 a.m. at the First Presbyterian Church of Royal Oak. Procession and interment at White Chapel Memorial Cemetery will follow the service.

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **12**. 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 Service

OCT **13**. 11:00 AM (ET)

First Presbyterian Church of Royal Oak
529 Hendrie Boulevard
Royal Oak, MI 48067

Burial

OCT **13**. 12:30 PM (ET)

White Chapel Memorial Cemetery
621 W. Long Lake Road
Troy, MI 48098

Tribute Wall



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Margaret Roberts.* ”



October 12, 2023 at 04:04 PM



“ *Days of Sunshine Bouquet was purchased for the family of Margaret Roberts.* ”



October 11, 2023 at 09:00 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Margaret Roberts.* ”



October 11, 2023 at 03:12 PM

SW

“ Anna and I had the great luck to have Maggie and Bill as neighbors when we moved to the USA. And it didn't take long for neighbors to become firm friends. Conversations with Maggie were a joy and through these we learned what a remarkable woman she was and the love she had for her family and friends, all accompanied by her fantastic cookies. She touched our lives and she lives on in our memories. Simon and Anna

simon Whitton - October 10, 2023 at 01:16 PM

DR

Thank you Simon and Anna. She and Bill were blessed to have you as neighbors!

Daneen Roberts - October 11, 2023 at 02:03 PM

AP

“ I am very sad to hear of Margaret's passing. I remember her as an extremely kind woman. Who welcomed me into his family, with kindness for my 18th birthday trip

Agnès PIETRI - October 09, 2023 at 06:49 AM

DR

Thank you Agnes. We had a fun summer when you visited. Mom still talked about it ❤️

Daneen Roberts - October 09, 2023 at 10:30 AM

FF

“ From Brian & Liz Sienkiewicz & Family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Margaret Roberts.



From Brian & Liz Sienkiewicz & Family - October 08, 2023 at 10:21 PM