



Marilyn S. Kirkpatrick

December 13, 1930 - October 20, 2015

Marilyn S. Kirkpatrick, age 84, a longtime Royal Oak resident, passed away October 20, 2015 at her home. She was born December 13, 1930 in Highland Park. Marilyn was a graduate of Royal Oak High School and earned her Bachelor's Degree in Education at Albion College. She was a member of the Alpha Delta Kappa teaching sorority which met locally. Marilyn enjoyed working as an elementary school teacher for many years in the Royal Oak community. She took a break to raise her children and returned as a substitute before she retired. Marilyn enjoyed traveling all over the world, as far away as Asia and even Australia. She was a 60-year devoted parishioner of the Royal Oak First Baptist Church. During her time there she enjoyed teaching Sunday school and beyond that she taught the Boys and Girls Bible Club. Marilyn was a dedicated educator, but most importantly to her she was an amazing wife, mother, grandmother, and friend.

Beloved wife of Charles N. Kirkpatrick married 58 years. Loving mother of Gary Kirkpatrick, Tom Kirkpatrick, and Susan (Jim) Raptis. Dear grandmother of Joshua, Alexis, and Niko Raptis; also Jeffrey Kirkpatrick. Dear sister of Ed (Gloria) Collins. Visitation Friday from 4-8 PM at the Wm. Sullivan and Son Funeral Home, 705 W. Eleven Mile Road (4 blocks E. of Woodward), Royal Oak, MI 48067. Funeral service Saturday 11 AM at the funeral home. Interment White Chapel Cemetery, Troy. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions to the Alzheimer's Association or Beaumont Hospice. Please

share a thought or memory with the family at www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com.

Cemetery Details

White Chapel Memorial Cemetery

621 W. Long Lake Road
Troy, MI 48098

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **23**. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Wm. Sullivan and Son Funeral Directors-Royal Oak
705 W. Eleven Mile Road
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Funeral Services

OCT **24**. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

MA

“ I was met with a beautiful smile and a warm heart every morning I came. It was an honor and privilege to help take care of Mrs. Kirkpatrick. I want to thank the Kirkpatrick for sharing her with me. She is truly loved!

Margaret Wirth

Margaret - October 26, 2015 at 11:55 AM



Deborah Masters

“ Dear Kirkpatrick family: It was such a pleasure growing up next door to you on Massoit. Mrs Kirkpatrick always had the most pleasant smile and disposition. I don't ever remember her speaking a cross word. So sorry that I learned of her passing after the services. I would have brought my mom to pay our respects. Thinking of all of you and keeping you in my prayers. Your former neighbor, Deborah Masters Servitto



Deborah Masters - October 26, 2015 at 05:08 AM

WA

“ To the family of Marilyn Kirkpatrick : Please accept my sincere sympathy for the loss of your loved one. While we don't know one another, experiencing the devastation of losing a loved one is something we all face in our lives. The Bible promises a time when "death will be no more" (Rev 21:3.4) and assures us that God hears our prayers (Ps 55:22). I hope this brings you some peace during this difficult time.



Wanda - October 24, 2015 at 07:53 AM

JC

“ Dear Kirkpatrick family,

We were sad to hear the news of Marilyn's passing. We have such wonderful memories of her from all the years at First Baptist.....not the least of which we remember a canoe trip weekend where we shared a tent with Marilyn and Chuck and got very little sleep from all the jokes and laughing (and we thought we were the adults!!!!).

We will be with you in our thoughts and prayers.

Love and hugs,

*Sharon and Jim Carruthers
Punta Gorda, Florida*

J & S Carruthers - October 23, 2015 at 06:54 PM

RE

“ To the family of my very special friend, Lynn Kirkpatrick:

We became close friends at Albion College, our friendship continued through the years and later included our husbands in our travels to China, Florida, Branson and of course to many college reunions. You and Chuck were in our wedding. I will never forget how beautiful you looked in that dark green velvet dress with your bright eyes and dark hair. You and Chuck welcomed Mel and me many times as we stayed with you in Royal Oak and at your lake home..

You were gracious when I offered your son, Tom a teaching position at City Tree School in San Diego. This took him far away from his family in Michigan. However we were now able to continue our times together in California.

We know as a believer that you are now dwelling in God's house (Ps.23:6). So we will be meeting you there in the near future.

See you later our friend,

Ruth and Mel Ely

Ruth Pollock Ely - October 23, 2015 at 04:08 PM

RD

“ I became a member of the ADK Sorority about 16 years ago, and recall how welcome Marilyn made me feel. Her smile was engaging, and she was very easy to talk to. Before my induction into Beta Gamma happened, I was invited to join Marilyn and 6 or 7 other Sisters in a volunteer endeavor at a church in downtown Royal Oak, serving lunch to homeless people. I was happy to be included in this project, but felt a little unsure of what to do in order to be of service. Marilyn took me "under her wing", and was very helpful in organizing & suggesting specific ways I could help out. I was very grateful, and looked forward to getting to know her better. Rest in peace Marilyn - you were loved by all who had the good fortune to know you...

Rhys Dwelley

Rhys Dwelley - October 23, 2015 at 01:23 PM

EC

“ Dear Chuck, Gary, Tom & Susan,
Remembering Lynn brings back many happy memories of our teenage years at Royal Oak High School followed by Albion College, getting married and raising children. Our families enjoyed many happy times together. Who can ever forget that trip to Wyoming and the terrible road to the cabin? Gary was about three years old at the time. Through almost seventy years we have shared laughter, tears, and many great experiences. We consider ourselves blessed to have known Lynn as a very close friend for such a long time. Our prayers are with the family, and we share your loss.

Betty & Ed Campbell

Ed & Betty Campbell - October 23, 2015 at 10:52 AM

DE

“ To a wonderful lady who was such an inspiration to the younger moms when our children were growing up at First Baptist Church of Royal Oak. You always had a smile on your face. Hugs to your family.

Duane and Donna Elkins

Donna Elkins - October 22, 2015 at 02:45 PM

BC

“ *Beth Nelson Collins lit a candle in memory of Marilyn S. Kirkpatrick*



Beth Nelson Collins - October 22, 2015 at 08:48 AM

DA

“ *Dawn, Jamie, Lily and Anna Altman purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Marilyn S. Kirkpatrick .*



Dawn, Jamie, Lily and Anna Altman - October 22, 2015 at 08:22 AM

DA

“ *Dearest Sue: Your beautiful mother was such a gift. I always remember her beautiful, kind eyes, her smile, and her sweet, loving temperament. You were lucky to be blessed with such a loving mother, and she was lucky to have you lovingly care for her. May your entire family find peace during this sad time. Much love to you, dear one.*

dawn altman - October 22, 2015 at 07:26 AM

TE

“ *Tom, Jeff, and Eva purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Marilyn S. Kirkpatrick .*



Tom, Jeff, and Eva - October 21, 2015 at 02:39 AM

KM

“ *Kimberly M. purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Marilyn S. Kirkpatrick .*



Kimberly M. - October 20, 2015 at 06:38 PM