



Mary Lu DeFauw

August 27, 1934 - July 8, 2019

Mary Lu DeFauw, age 84, of Royal Oak, passed away July 8, 2019. She was born August 27, 1934 in Saint Louis, Missouri to the late Louis and Elizabeth (Sander) Walsh.

Mary Lu was a resident of Royal Oak since 1967, a graduate of the University of Detroit, and a longtime parishioner of the National Shrine of the Little Flower Basilica. Mary Lu with her late husband Donald were responsible for starting Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration at Shrine parish in February 1988. She coordinated the program for almost nine years. Starting in late 2001, Mary Lu had a series of debilitating strokes. She has not been active in Perpetual Adoration since then, but it continues at Shrine to this day.

Mary Lu was the beloved wife of the late Donald DeFauw (d. 2006); loving mother of Gregory (Melinda) DeFauw, Therese (James) Spaight and Joseph DeFauw; proud grandmother of Michelle (Ethan) Erinakes, James Spaight, Andrew Spaight, Jack Spaight and Mary Spaight; and dear sister of Francis (JoAnn) Walsh, Donald Walsh, Louis (Mary Ann) Walsh, Martin (Peggy) Walsh, Michael Walsh and the late Elizabeth Ann Walsh (d. 2006).

Visitation Thursday 3-8 pm with a 7 pm Rosary at the Wm. Sullivan and Son Funeral Home, 705 W 11 Mile Road (4 blocks E of Woodward), Royal Oak. In state Friday 9:30 am until the time of Mass 10 am at the National Shrine of the

Little Flower Basilica, Royal Oak. Burial at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery,
Southfield.

Memorials to Mary's Children Family Center, 495 E 14 Mile Road, Clawson,
MI 48017 or Masses are appreciated.

Share your memories at www.SullivanFuneralDirectors.com.

Cemetery Details

Holy Sepulchre Cemetery

25800 W. 10 Mile Road
10 Mile Road @ Beech Road
Southfield, MI 48033

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 11. 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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Rosary

JUL 11. 7:00 PM (ET)

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Funeral Mass

JUL 12. 10:00 AM (ET)

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

Tribute Wall

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“ I am very sorry to hear of the passing of Mary Lou. She was a great lady. I well remember her passion for perpetual adoration. My opinion the only reason there is perpetual adoration is because of Mary Lou. I am sure she went directly to heaven and will be looking down on us all. I am also sorry I missed her mass. Didn't know o her passing till this Sunday. ---Andy Killliany

Andy Killliany - July 16, 2019 at 02:24 PM

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“ Donation made in Mary Lu's name to Mary's Children Family Center All our prayers, sympathy & love. Marty & Peggy Walsh

Marty - July 10, 2019 at 08:18 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Mary Lu DeFauw.



July 10, 2019 at 03:50 PM

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“ Judith Defauw (Gass) purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Mary Lu DeFauw.



Judith Defauw (Gass) - July 10, 2019 at 11:53 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mary Lu DeFauw.*



July 09, 2019 at 07:06 PM



“ *Love, Matt & Pattie Connor purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Mary Lu DeFauw.*



Love, Matt & Pattie Connor - July 09, 2019 at 06:06 PM



“ *Lou, Marianne, and family purchased the Basket Full of Wishes for the family of Mary Lu DeFauw.*



Lou, Marianne, and family - July 09, 2019 at 12:20 PM