



## Mary Ellen Duda

January 29, 1923 - June 1, 2012

Duda, Mary Ellen. Age 89. June 1, 2012.

She was a dedicated and loving mother of Laurie Alex LaFountain. She was preceded in death by her husband, Roman. Mrs. Duda formerly worked at Ford Motor Company and Trigon Tool Corporation Oak Park as an administrative secretary and bookkeeper. She had a passion for travelling and meeting people worldwide. While she was a very proud American, she enjoyed multi-cultural traditions, languages and people, and hosted foreign exchange students in her home. Mrs. Duda had a thirst for knowledge and never stopped learning. She enjoyed the arts and music and was a very giving person. Mrs. Duda was a self-made woman, and had a flair for seeing new ways to promote businesses in a positive manner. An avid animal and nature lover, she enjoyed seeing many species of birds and watching wildlife. No public services will be held at this time. Arrangements by Wm. Sullivan & Son Funeral Home, Royal Oak, 248-541-7000.

# Tribute Wall

ME

“ This is Marcos Vásquez Espina, from Chile. I was a exchange student in 1972 in her home, where she and my foster father Roman, and their charming daughter Laurie Anne, share with me for six ungergetable months at their home. Fantastic moments and beautiful memories. If Laurie could contact me at my mail, marcos.vasquez.lex@gmail.com, it would be very much appreciated. Lots of love.

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**Marcos Vásquez Espina** - May 15, 2024 at 11:57 AM

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