



## Mary Ellen Murphy

September 24, 1943 - March 5, 2010

Mary Ellen Murphy nee Fogle, age 66, a resident of Royal Oak, died March 5, 2010 at William Beaumont Hospital in Royal Oak. She was born September 24, 1943 in Royal Oak. Mrs. Murphy was a member of the National Shrine of the Little Flower in Royal Oak. She is survived by her husband, Shane F. Murphy; the couple married August 20, 1966 at St. Mary Catholic Church in Royal Oak; children, Joseph Wendy Murphy of Brighton, Maureen Bontrager of Royal Oak, Matthew Stefanie Murphy of Royal Oak and Kathleen "KT" Scott Newsom of Sylvania, OH; siblings, Clinton Fogle of Royal Oak and Anne Fogle of Alexandria, VA; grandchildren, Katherine and Eleanor Murphy; Grace, Brendan, Joseph and Shane Bontrager; Anna, Peter and Margaret Murphy; Elizabeth, Andrew, Matthew and John Newsom; and mother-in-law, Dolores Murphy of Clawson. She was preceded in death by her son-in-law, Gregory Bontrager; and brother, Howard J. Fogle. The visitation will be Sunday 2-9 p.m. and Monday 3-9 p.m. with a 7 p.m. scripture service at Wm. Sullivan & Son Funeral Home, 705 W Eleven Mile Road 4 blks. E of Woodward, Royal Oak. Mrs. Murphy will lie in state Tuesday 9:30 a.m. until the time of Mass 10 a.m. at the National Shrine of the Little Flower in Royal Oak. The burial will take place at Oakview Cemetery in Royal Oak. Memorials to The Capuchins, 1820 Mt. Elliott, Detroit, MI 48207. Share your memories at [www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com](http://www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com).

# Tribute Wall

JU

“ I played bridge for about 10 years with Shane and Mary Ellen and Fr. Michael Cooney. What fun we had. Would love to talk to Shane to share memories. Julianna 248-5452410.

Julianna - December 13, 2020 at 03:24 PM

MB

“ Dear Shane, I only met you and Mary Ellen a couple of times through the Shrine Bridge Club, but we had the common bond of both having daughters who lived in Sylvania and enjoyed chatting as much as bridge. Harry and I are so sorry for yours and your family's loss. Our prayers are with you. Sincerely, Marty Bjorkman

Marty Bjorkman - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SB

“ My mother just informed us about Mary Ellen's passing today. We send our deepest sympathies to Shane and the entire Murphy family.

Stephen, Michelle, and Meira Barnaby - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

AK

“ I am so sorry for your loss, Shane. You and your family will be in my thoughts and prayers in the months to come. Anne Kenny

Anne Kenny - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

GL

“ We are so sorry for your lost. We will always remember Mary Ellen as a wonderful, loving friend. You are all in our thoughts and prayers. We miss you Mary Ellen. Gail and Jerry Ladwig

Gail Ladwig - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

AW

“ *Shane and Family, our thoughts and prayers are with you at this difficult time.*

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**Alan and Janet Whitefield** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

KE

“ *To the Murphy family, So sorry for your loss. Your family is in our prayers. I have so many wonderful memories of Mrs Murphy and her kind words and genuine 'hello, how's the family?'through the years. She will be missed by so many. Love , Ken Ebaugh and Family*

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**Ken Ebaugh** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

ER

“ *When I think of Mrs. Murphy, I get a smile on my face from all of the fun memories we have had; the Bingo group doing their thing and the many times that all the families got together to just have fun. We are all the better for it. Thinking of you, Ellen Reiser, Howard, Rachel, Alex and Sarah Smithline*

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**Ellen Reiser-Smithline** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MM

“ *Shane, My deepest sympathy to you and your family. I have such fond memories of the many dinners and adventures with you, Mary Ellen and the OC gang over the years. I always looked forward to seeing Mary Ellen----she was like a ray of sunshine-- and the two of you were so adorable together. I know how proud she was of your children and grandchildren and I hope that they can provide you with peace and comfort during this difficult time.*

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**Mary Ann Morrice** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

AM

“ *KT-I'm so sorry to hear about the loss of your mother. Please know my thoughts and prayers are with you and your family during this time. Angela*

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**Angela Martin** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ *To All of the Murphys, We were so sad to hear about Mary Ellen and we wish all of you peace, solace and understanding during this sad time. Your mom was always so kind and so gentle every time we met. My family will always remember her soft voice and warm spirit, that she shared with everyone. God bless you all. Joseph and Julie Bastian Family*

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**Joseph Bastian Family** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JL

“ *Dear Murphy Family, Our most heartfelt condolences to you. What a wonderful and supportive person Mrs. Murphy was to everyone- and there are many of us indeed- who had the joy of meeting and knowing her.*

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**Jason and A Lubanski** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

NH

“ *With sadness in my heart for your loss, I am remembering Mary Ellen.*

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**Nancy Hampton** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

AK

“ *May your hearts soon be filled with wonderful memories of joyful times together as you celebrate a life well lived. Thinking of you and wishing you peace.*

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**Amy Knaggs** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

GI

“ All of the Krauses have such fond memories of being "back door" neighbors with the Fogles. Joe and I wish you all peace and comfort. Ann, my daughter lives in Arlington and I would love to see you when we go there at Easter time. Remember how our big sisters used to pick on us--they thought they were such big stuff. Take care, wish we could be there but you are in our thoughts and prayers and I look forward to seeing you. Love, Gin

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**GinnyKrauseBalog** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CM

“ Dear Mr. Murphy and family, I am so sorry to hear about your loss. You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers. Christina Alvaro Manson Joe's classmate from Shrine

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**Christina Alvaro Manson** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MC

“ Our hearts go out to the Murphy family during this difficult time. Please know that you are all in our thoughts and prayers.

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**Matt & Patti Chisholm** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ Dear Shane, You and Mary Ellen have been such wonderful friends to our family. Mary Ellen had such a beautiful heart and we are so blessed to have enjoyed her friendship. I am praying for you and for your family, that God will wrap Himself around you in love and comfort in this time. Much Love, Jessica

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**Jessica Cronenwett** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

BM

“ I was very sad to hear about Mary Ellen, she was such a nice nice person. I still remember years ago when Caelan had chicken pox and Mary Ellen invited her up to their cottage because "why not- all my kids have already had them". Love to the Murphy family. Please accept my sympathy. Bridget McElroy

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**Bridget McElroy** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

VB

“ Our Shrine community has lost a loving and devoted wife, mother, grandmother, sister and dear friend. I pray the whole Murphy family feels the loving hearts of your friends surrounding you. Mary Ellen will forever be with us.

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**Vee & Gary Barnes** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JP

“ I was so saddened to hear of Mary Ellen's death. The world has lost a beautiful lady! I am so sorry for all of you. Please accept my deepest sympathy and prayers! Jane Krause Peters

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**Jane Peters** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MR

“ Shane and family, We join with the many saddened by Mary Ellen's death. We pray peace to her and strength to all of you. I remember fondly, our many hours in the mailroom at Shrine, always talking about our families. God Bless Marguerite & Harvey Rouleau and family

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**Marguerite Rouleau** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ Dear Murphy Family, May you find comfort in knowing how many lives she has touched. You are in my prayers.

Jill Schindler Crossman - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JG

“ The world has lost a beautiful person but Heaven is rejoicing at her arrival. We send our heartfelt sympathy to all of the Murphy family. May God bless you all and send you peace in your hearts.

John and Pat Glynn - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CS

“ So sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family during this difficult time.

Charles and Kathleen Sanders - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TR

“ Our deepest sympathies to you and your family. You are in our hearts and prayers. Tim, Lynn, Allison, Danny and Robby Ryan, We are friends of Joe and Wendy from Strongsville, OH

Tim Ryan - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

KB

“ With our deepest sympathies

Kevin & Elena Borg - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TF

“ Words cannot express our sympathy to your entire family at this time. You are in our thoughts and prayers. Lisa, Steve, Alex and Andrew Joe and Wendy's friends in RI

The Heidenthal Family - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

AL

“ Our deepest sympathies to the Murphy family. You are in our hearts and prayers. Mike, Anne, Katie and Kelly Lynch, Joe and Wendy's friends from Strongsville, OH

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**Anne Lynch** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ Please accept our heartfelt sympathies for your loss. Our thoughts are with you and your family during this difficult time. Dean, Janet, Dustin and Deanna Smith Joe and Wendy's friends in Texas

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**Dean and Janet Smith** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DB

“ My thoughts and prayers are with all of you. I am so very sorry for your loss. Debbie Braschler Wendy's Aunt

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**Debbie Braschler** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM