



## Mary Ellen Waters

January 16, 1946 - October 11, 2012

Mary Ellen Waters, age 66, died October 11, 2012. Mary was born on January 16, 1946, in Detroit, Michigan to the late Jane and Ralph Goniea. She is survived by her daughters, Marlena and Erica Stephens, and brothers, Gerald and Peter Goniea. Mary earned a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree in 1972 and Master of Arts degree in 1978 both from Wayne State University. She dedicated 30 years of her career to the Detroit Institute of Arts. Mary was a lifelong artist, skilled in drawing, painting, sculpture, stained glass, and ceramics. Later, she shared her creative talents as an enthusiastic art teacher in both Romeo and L'Anse Creuse school districts. Mary's vigor for life, creativity, and compassion will be greatly missed by us all. Visitation Sunday 1-8 p.m. and service Monday 11 a.m. at the Wm. Sullivan & Son Funeral Home, 705 W 11 Mile Rd. 4 blocks E of Woodward, Royal Oak. Memorials to UNICEF are appreciated. Share your memories at [www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com](http://www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com).

# Tribute Wall

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“ Our deepest sympathy to Marlana, Erica, Gerald and Peter. Mary will be missed by all of us. She always wanted the best for her family. She was definitely a loving mother. Bert and Peggy Stephens

**Bert and Peggy Stephens** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“ Our condolences to every one whose life she touched. She will be missed.

**Daniel & Danyelle Baker** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ Mary, my friend. You have always been like family to us. We shared alot of fun times together on Lappin Street. I had the joy of watching your two beautiful daughters, Marlana and Erica, while you worked at the DIA. You were always there for me, when I needed a favor, especially, when it came to sewing. You were amazing!: You are a beautiful, compassionate person who loved animals. Now, I have another Angel in Heaven to pray to. I will miss you, but never forget you. Love, Jill, Perry & Family

**Jill & Perry Butler** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“ Remembering our cousin Mary Ellen with fondness and sending our love and sympathies to the rest of the family. Eternal rest grant on to her and may she rest in peace. Bob & Annie Altamura & family

**Bob and Annie Altamura** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“ Please know that you all are in our thoughts and prayers. Love to all, Tim, Tammy, Katie, Alex and Lizzy Goniea

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**Tammy Goniea** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM