



Neva Ellen Callihan

March 1, 1940 - April 8, 2021

Neva Callihan, 81, a 57 year resident of Royal Oak, went peacefully, from her home, to be with God on the morning of April, 8, 2021. Born March 1, 1940, in Royal Oak, to Clyde and Ellen (Geiger) Tremper, she is survived by her husband, Donald, Royal Oak; her children James (Deborah) Callihan, Waterford, Susan (John) Showers, Royal Oak, Jeffrey Callihan, Whitefish, Montana and Melissa (Martin) Carey, Troy; her grandchildren Jacob and Jessica Showers, Royal Oak and Mya Carey, Troy; and her brother, Richard Tremper, Concrete, Washington. She was preceded in death by her sisters May Ann White, Judith Kay and Carol Hoover, and her brother, John Tremper.

Neva loved children and volunteered at both Churchill and Northwood Elementary Schools. This love carried over to her career at the Birmingham location of Jacobson's Stores, Inc., where she worked in the 1980s and 90s as a sales associate in the Boy's Department.

She was a member of North Hills Christian Reformed Church, Troy, Clawson United Methodist Women and Jacobson's Stores Retirees Group. One of her favorite pastimes was purchasing baby clothing to donate to the Clawson United Methodist Women's Layette Project that provides an initial supply of baby clothing to disadvantaged mothers.

Neva was a quiet person who overcame numerous obstacles in her early life

to become a successful and loving wife, mother, grandmother and friend to many. Upon learning that Neva was in hospice, a long-time friend whom she had not seen for many years wrote to her: "My mind is filled with so many thoughts of us with our children, laughing and playing. Neva, you taught me so much - I know you went through a difficult childhood, but you had this calm, joyous way about you that always made me feel that we would be all right. I thank you for helping me believe I could be strong and kind like you. Whatever happens, please know I love you so much and will always strive to be the sweet, kind, generous and beautiful person you are."

Visitation occurred on April 18, 2:00 pm to 8:00 pm at Wm. Sullivan and Son Funeral Home, 705 W 11 Mile Road (4 blocks E of Woodward), Royal Oak. Private interment was at Roseland Park Cemetery, Berkley. Memorial Service was Saturday, April 24, at 2:00 pm at North Hills Christian Reformed Church, 3150 N Adams Road, Troy, MI 48084 <https://northhillscrc.org/> To view a video of the service, click the link: <https://youtu.be/iz8yrFabgwg> Memorial contributions: North Hills Christian Reformed Church <https://northhillscrc.org/> and Methodist Children's Home Society <https://mchsmi.org/> Please share your memories at www.SullivanFuneralDirectors.com.

Cemetery Details

Roseland Park Cemetery

29001 Woodward Avenue
(NW corner of 12 Mile and Woodward)
Berkley, MI 48072

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 18. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

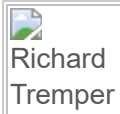
Wm. Sullivan and Son Funeral Directors-Royal Oak
705 W. Eleven Mile Road
Royal Oak, MI 48067
(248) 541-7000
royal@sullivanfh.com
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Memorial Service

APR 24. 2:00 PM (ET)

North Hills Christian Reformed Church
3150 N. Adams Road
Troy, MI 48084

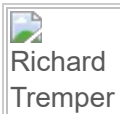
Tribute Wall



“ *Richard Tremper lit a candle in memory of Neva Ellen Callihan*

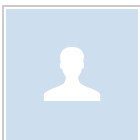


Richard Tremper - April 24, 2021 at 03:24 PM



“ *Neva was my sister. Even though I have not seen her for some years her memory was never far. I miss her more now than ever. My memory of Neva is one of such a respectful, generous, and coy lady who was always so very dignified. Who she was made me proud to have her as my sister. I always thought Neva was so pretty. Her and Don always welcomed the family to their home every year for the thanksgiving celebration. This was always a highlight of my year. I never missed it, if I didn't have to. Neva and her husband Don were so very generous to me as well as our other sisters and our parents. Neva's memory will for sure dwell in my heart until my dying day when I can thankfully rest my eyes upon her presence once again. God bless!*

Richard Tremper - April 24, 2021 at 03:20 PM



“ *Love Everlasting Bouquet was purchased for the family of Neva Ellen Callihan.*



April 17, 2021 at 06:57 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Neva Ellen Callihan.*



April 17, 2021 at 06:52 PM



“ *Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Neva Ellen Callihan.*



April 17, 2021 at 05:01 PM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Neva Ellen Callihan.*



April 17, 2021 at 03:08 PM



“ *John & Lauri Willis purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of Neva Ellen Callihan.*



John & Lauri Willis - April 17, 2021 at 01:43 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Neva Ellen Callihan.*



April 17, 2021 at 11:53 AM



“ *the c. myers team purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Neva Ellen Callihan.*



the c. myers team - April 16, 2021 at 02:37 PM



“ *Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Neva Ellen Callihan.*



April 16, 2021 at 11:59 AM



“ *PARDA Federal Credit Union, Board and Employees purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Neva Ellen Callihan.*



PARDA Federal Credit Union, Board and Employees - April 14, 2021 at 04:37 PM

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“ *Our prayers are with you. Bob and Cle Callihan purchased the Fairest of All for the family of Neva Ellen Callihan.*



Our prayers are with you. Bob and Cle Callihan - April 13, 2021 at 09:13 PM

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“ *To Don and the Callihan family. Neva was such a kind and gentle soul. We always enjoyed our time together, and we will most certainly miss her, and the 2 of you together. We feel so blessed to have you both in our lives. Our thoughts, prayers, and heartfelt condolences to you and the family. There is no doubt that she is in the house of our father in Heaven. May she rest in eternal peace, and know that she will always be fondly remembered and loved!
God Bless you all,
The Taub family*



Daniel Taub - April 13, 2021 at 03:27 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Neva Ellen Callihan.*



April 12, 2021 at 04:35 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Neva Ellen Callihan.



April 12, 2021 at 11:17 AM



“ *Arrive in Style* was purchased for the family of Neva Ellen Callihan.



April 11, 2021 at 03:17 PM



“ *Basket Full of Wishes* was purchased for the family of Neva Ellen Callihan.



April 11, 2021 at 03:07 PM



“ *We have been blessed to know Neva and count her as our friend. Her easy laugh and her warmth will long be remembered especially at Kerby's Sunday lunches and Thursday coffee and donuts times at Meijer. She has been a picture of grace even while battling health concerns for so long. She will not be forgotten here and is certainly not forgotten in heaven now.*

The Beems

The Beems - April 11, 2021 at 11:57 AM

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“ We will truly miss Neva at Sharon's Salon. The past 30 years of styling her hair has been memorable and I will miss seeing her every week. Sending prayers and love to her friends and family.

Nancy - April 09, 2021 at 02:43 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Neva Ellen Callihan.



April 08, 2021 at 07:04 PM