



## Claire A. Trifari

May 22, 2020

Claire A. (Elwood) Trifari, went to be with all those she loved who have passed before on May 22, 2020. Born in Paterson, NJ to her wonderful parents, the late Fredrick and Helen (Franz) Elwood. She was a proud member of the Central High School Class of January 1955. After graduation she was a secretary at County Bank and Trust Company; then graduated from Como Beauty Culture College. She worked at Frank's Beauty Lounge in Haledon, NJ until she married Edmund F. Trifari, Jr. in 1962 and moved to Connecticut. Their residence for the past 50 years was in West Hartford. Claire always felt blessed for her family especially special aunt and uncle Ann and Ken Rader, and all the friends over the years. She enjoyed spending her winters in Barefoot Bay, Fl. Beside her husband, she is survived by her children Terri-Ann and her husband James E. Sands, Jr., Edmund Trifari, III and his wife Kimberly (Dyson), John Trifari and his wife Allison (Park), and Brian Trifari and his wife Sheila (Fish Martin); seven grandchildren Abigaile, James III, Ryan and Michael Sands; Joshua, Nicholas, and Tyler Trifari. She also leaves her dear sister-in-law Nancy Dowden, a niece, nephews, and Elwood cousins. She loved her family with all her heart and wished she could stay with them longer. She's hoping to cross the Rainbow Bridge and see Muffy, Molly, and Missy again. A Memorial Mass will be held at St. Peter Claver Church, 47 Pleasant St., West Hartford at a later date. Remembrances may be made to Fidelco Guide Dog Foundation, 103 Vision Way, Bloomfield, CT 06002; Animal Friends of CT., P. O. Box 370306, West Hartford, CT

06137, St. Jude's children's Hospital, The Jimmy Fund or a charity of your choice. Online expressions of sympathy may be made at [www.molloyfuneralhome.com](http://www.molloyfuneralhome.com)

# Tribute Wall

LS

“ Claire was a wonderful person, full of love and light. Prayers for all of you during this difficult time, may she rest in peace and her beautiful energy live on through all of you.  
-Jason, Lauren, Alex and Cameron Sands



Lauren Sands - June 02, 2020 at 09:44 AM

PS

“ Claire Ann I remember you very well. We loved your dad and mom Uncle Fred and Aunt Helen. Growing up we shared times on The Island or our parents Tavern in Haskell NJ. Mom enjoyed your letters at the end of every year you sent out. I thank you for corresponding to her final day. She, I loved you very much. Now you rest with family in heaven. I pray for peace 🙏 those you 🙏 left behind.



Patricia Sherrerd - May 30, 2020 at 10:56 AM

PF

“ So sorry for your loss..my heart is with you..always.

Paula Forte - May 29, 2020 at 06:56 PM

CL

“ 1 file added to the album Memories Album



Cindy and Erich Lichtsteiner - May 27, 2020 at 11:15 PM

CL

“ Dear Ed and family,  
Our heartfelt condolences to you on Claire's untimely passing. Your dear family has been in our thoughts ever since we heard of Claire's stroke. And to think that she was doing so well with her recovery from her fall this winter. We can't even imagine the deep void that is left in your lives. We want you to know how much we always enjoyed Claire's company for the bright, interesting and cheerful lady that she was. She will certainly be missed by all of us from EMDP. We were so fortunate to have you and Claire join us for all the many trips and adventures we so enjoyed together: New York, Nashville, Quebec, the Queen Mary voyage and of course, the Balsams just to name a few. What happy memories to cherish always!  
Our deepest sympathy to you and your family. We share in your sorrow.  
love,  
Cindy and Erich Lichtsteiner

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Cindy and Erich Lichtsteiner - May 27, 2020 at 11:10 PM

JT

“ Ed and family,  
My deepest sympathy on your loss. I've known Ed for years from working at Hamilton Standard. Although I never met Claire, I understand that she meant the world to all of you. You are all in my thoughts and prayers.  
Sincerely,  
Joan Trapanese

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Joan Trapanese - May 27, 2020 at 07:37 PM

MB

“ My deepest condolences to Mr. Trifari , Terri-Ann, Ed , John and Brian. So many wonderful memories growing up next door to all you guys and your kind and loving Mom. I am so sorry to hear of your Moms passing. My thoughts and prayers are with you all at this difficult time  
Mike Burnett

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**Michael Burnett** - May 27, 2020 at 06:37 PM

JL

“ On behalf of President and Head of School, Christian Cashman, I offer my deepest sympathy on the passing of Claire Trifari. Claire, a long with her children and grandchildren, is a valued member of the Northwest Catholic community, so we mourn her loss along with all who love her. Please know that Claire and her entire family will be remembered in a special way at our next school-wide Mass. We are very sorry for your loss. ~ Jane Leary, Director of Constituent Relations, Northwest Catholic High School.

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**Jane Leary** - May 27, 2020 at 01:25 PM

MS

“ Terri and family, so sorry for your loss. Your Mom was a wonderful person. Sending your all love and prayers



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**Mary Sue Salvador** - May 27, 2020 at 12:41 PM

RP

“ *Ruth Positano lit a candle in memory of Claire A. Trifari*



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**Ruth Positano** - May 25, 2020 at 10:52 PM

RP

“ *Ed and family,  
Nick and I were very sorry to hear of Claire's passing. She was a great lady and will be missed by all. You all will have your great memories, and a guardian angel to watch over you.  
All our love to you*

*Nick and Ruth Positano*

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**Ruth Positano** - May 25, 2020 at 10:51 PM

BD

“ *Bob Delaney lit a candle in memory of Claire A. Trifari*



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**Bob Delaney** - May 24, 2020 at 12:32 PM

JP

“ *Eddie, so sad. Please except my deepest condolences for your loss. Cousin Johnny Pescatore.*

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**John Pescatore** - May 23, 2020 at 04:56 PM

JP

*She was a great lady and I know your pain. John Jr. joins me in expressing our most sincere sympathy to you and your family.*  
*John Pionzio*

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**John Pionzio** - May 25, 2020 at 03:20 PM

FS

*Ed, I'm so sorry. Just recently she wrote me a note at my mom's death. I remember you two coming to Mass at St. John Fisher, a cherished memory.*

*Fr. Tom Sas*

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**Fr. Tom Sas** - May 27, 2020 at 09:34 AM

MC

*To the Trifari Family, I work with Ed III at Collins Aerospace. I am very sorry for your loss. May Claire rest in peace and condolences to all family and friends.*

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**Mary Lee Courtney** - May 27, 2020 at 09:39 AM

PL

*So sorry to read of Claire's death. She was a very special friend and a great lady.*

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**pat liner** - May 27, 2020 at 04:21 PM

JN

*So very sorry to hear of Claire's passing. She was a wonderful and cherished friend to my mom for many years.*

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**Johanna White Needham** - June 21, 2020 at 02:16 PM

NF

*So sorry to just learn of Claire's passing. I remember Claire for being such a wonderful hostess the few times that I socialized with she and Ed.*

*My condolences to you, Ed, and your family. May Claire Rest In Peace for all eternity.*

*Noel E. Fricke*

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**Noel E. Fricke** - September 14, 2020 at 09:50 PM

CR

*To Claire's family, sending my deepest sympathy. Our small gathering of Cental High School class of '55 alumni, held at your lovely home, is a treasured memory.*

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**Carole Runo** - May 24, 2021 at 06:16 PM