



## Edith Heywood Edwards

February 22, 1949 - November 12, 2010

Edith Heywood Edwards, 61, a longtime resident of Hartford, died Friday November 12, 2010 at Avery Heights in Hartford. Born in New York City, NY, on February 22, 1949, she was the daughter of the late Rev. Robert L. Edwards and the late Rev. Dr. Sarah Alexander Edwards. In recent years Edith has resided at Immanuel House ? founded by her father when pastor at Immanuel Congregational Church in Hartford. In 2010 she moved to Avery Heights. She is survived by her brother, the Rev. James D. Edwards of Fort Gratiot, MI, and her nephew Lansing Edwards of Brookville, OH. She was especially close to her cousin Linda Alexander of Hartford, CT. Her uncle Prof. Heywood Alexander and his wife Bea of Hanover, NH, her cousins, aunts and uncles, and several close friends also survive her. Edith was a graduate of Hartford Secretarial School, certified in medical and business shorthand, and was employed by several doctors in the Hartford area. She later discovered the beauty of poetry and considered it one of God's gifts to her. As an adult student at Hartford College for Women, she graduated class 1982, with an Associate Degree in Art History. She was a student speaker at graduation and read one of her original poems. Over the years she actively volunteered her talents to the American Red Cross. She also developed a talent in scrapbooking and collecting inspirational mementos. Edith truly felt blessed to have had a good and fulfilling life. She would be honored if others would do acts of kindness in her memory. She requested that special thanks be given to her caretakers who provided excellent care while she was a resident at Avery

Heights Station One Sub-acute unit. She would also like to thank Vitas Hospice of Glastonbury for their caring and love. Donations in her memory may be made to Immanuel Congregational Church United Church of Christ, 10 Woodland St. Hartford, CT 06105 or Avery Heights, Development Office, 705 New Britain Ave. Hartford, CT 06106. Edith's life will be celebrated with a memorial service in the chapel at Immanuel Congregational Church on Wednesday November 17th at 11 a.m. Edith will be interred next to her parents in Randolph, NH. Online messages of remembrance may be made at [www.molloyfuneralhome.com](http://www.molloyfuneralhome.com)

# Tribute Wall



“ Edie and I met in seventh grade at Noah Webster Elementary School in Hartford. We shared alot of times and experiences together: catching jellyfish at the beach and trying to get them to science class alive... We also discovered that we were very distant cousins when we both recognized the Asa Stebbins home in Deerfield, Mass. Edie was a friend throughout my school years. When I moved to the midwest she continued to be a friend to my mother, Esther Holland. We always remembered each others birthdays; I last heard from her on my birthday in May 2010. I am glad that she is past the pain and at rest. My condolences to you Jim, and other family members. ##imported-begin##Joanne Holland Maddux ##imported-end##

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December 24, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ Knowing Edith for many years I knew, first hand, her love for her family, her respect for her parents, her pride in having a nephew, her love of all things "Mary Englebreit," her collection of wise sayings and inspirational messages. She set a fine example to many of the difference a positive attitude can make in one's life and how one person can affect the life of another. I wish I could be at her memorial service today to express my great regard for her. She was special in so many ways and taught me a lot about life. I am so happy to have the newspaper photo of her that captures her winning smile.##imported-begin##Judy Silver##imported-end##

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November 17, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ I worked with Edith for several years at the American Red Cross. She was also so willing to help us out and was just a delight to talk with. She really put her heart into her work and cared so much about what she did. A few years ago, she left me some American Red Cross memorabilia that she had gathered together and framed beautifully. She will be much missed.##imported-begin##Dot Calahan##imported-end##

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November 15, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ We first met Edie when we were then members of her dad's congregation at Immanuel Church. She worked with Sunday school children, played the guitar, and always was glad to meet and visit with you. When her parents retired we lost track of Edie. We came to learn some months ago that she was a resident at Avery Heights, where we were then able to catch up on lost time. Edie was a kind, dear, caring person.

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November 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM