Ellen Nora Kennedy

December 3, 2014

In memory of Ellen Nora Burke Kennedy who is born into eternal life at the age of 82 at St. Francis Hospital in Hartford, CT on Dec. 3, 2014. She was married to Thomas J. Kennedy Jr. (deceased), her husband of 49 years and predeceased by her sisters, Barbara Burke and Nancy Burke and brother, Christopher Burke. She is survived by her sisters Moira Burke of Newington, CT and Joan Drury of West Hartford, CT; and eight children: Thomas III & Joan Kennedy of Wilbraham, MA, John and Silvia Kennedy of Asheville, NC, David & Christine Kennedy of Saratoga, CA, Michael & Susan Kennedy of Doylestown, PA, Patrick & Christi Kennedy of Somers, CT, Brendan & Louise Kennedy of Marblehead, MA, Christopher & Diane Kennedy of Ellington, CT, Mary Ellen Kennedy of Wethersfield , CT, and blessed with 23 Grandchildren, Teresa, Brian, Aidan, John, Michael, Sean, Conor, Alayna, Ian, Evan, Benjamin, Claire, Julia, Patrick, Peter, Paul, Sarah, Julia, Sean, Kathleen, Brenna, Connor and Krista. Ellen was born in Litchfield, CT to John Michael Burke and Mary Dunn. She was a graduate of St. Joseph College School of Nursing with a BS RN and started her career in pediatric nursing at St. Francis Hospital in Hartford as both a floor nurse and later as a teacher. She later worked as a school nurse at the Clay Arsenal in Hartford and Nathan Hale in Enfield, CT. Ellen was a devoted Roman Catholic, loved her Irish heritage and considered her greatest accomplishment her loving family. She enjoyed vacations on Cape Cod and visiting with her cousins in Brewster while there. Calling hours will be at Molloy Funeral Home 906 Farmington Ave. West

Hartford CT, 4 to 8 PM, Friday December 5, 2014. The Funeral will begin with a procession departing from the Molloy Funeral Home at 9:30 AM for a Mass of Christian Burial at St. Thomas the Apostle Church, 872 Farmington Ave. West Hartford, CT at 10 AM Saturday December 6. Burial will follow in Mt. St. Benedict Cemetery, Bloomfield, CT. In memory of Ellen, the family has identified Catholic Relief Services http://www.crs.org/donate/ and Catholic Charities http://www.ccaoh.org/ as two of her favorite charities.

Cemetery Details

Mt. St. Benedict Cemetery

1 Cottage Grove Rd
Bloomfield, CT

Previous Events

Calling Hours

DEC **5**. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Molloy Funeral Home
906 Farmington Ave
West Hartford, CT 06119
(860) 232-1322

Mass of Christian Burial

DEC **6**. 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Thomas the Apostle Church
872 Farmington Ave.
West Hartford, CT 06119
(860) 233-8269

Tribute Wall

LK

Linda Kane lit a candle in memory of Ellen Nora Kennedy

Linda Kane - December 30, 2014 at 08:14 PM

Tom--Our thoughts and prayers are with you and family. I will call you very soon.

Rich and Deb

Rich Deschamps - December 06, 2014 at 09:55 AM

ED

Ellen was my sweet partner in match making. It was extra special when our families merged. Much love & sympathy to all the Kennedy's. 💚 Ellen Dowgewicz.

Ellen Dowgewicz - December 05, 2014 at 08:23 PM

ER

Ellen was the most wonderful school nurse one would ever want to have the pleasure to work with. I was in Nathan Hale school teaching art years ago when she had the position there of school nurse, Ellen was always very loving and really cared about the children. I loved having little chats with her. My deepest condolences to her family, Elizabeth Rhoades

Elizabeth Rhoades - December 05, 2014 at 07:22 PM

CK

Thanks for a life of kindness and support Mom,
Love Chris

Chris Kennedy - December 05, 2014 at 12:03 PM

CH

Chris,Diane,Connor lit a candle in memory of Ellen Nora Kennedy

Chris,Diane,Connor - December 05, 2014 at 12:02 PM

JC

John I Carrozza lit a candle in memory of Ellen Nora Kennedy

John I Carrozza - December 04, 2014 at 04:32 PM

JC

So sorry for your loss, I will keep you all in my prayers.

John I Carrozza - December 04, 2014 at 04:33 PM

FD

A great lady in the true sense of the word. She will be sorely missed by her family and all of us who were privileged to know her!

Frank & Andrea Donovan - December 05, 2014 at 04:57 PM

GS

Ellen you were my best friend and we helped each other so much as school nurse----loved your wonderful sense of humor and uplifting everyone you met---you will be so missed! My deepest sympathy to her sisters and children and their families--loved it when she sang O Danny Boy!! love Gerri and Dan S

Gerri Schnobrich - January 09, 2015 at 11:54 AM

JR

I am so very sorry for your loss. I worked with Ellen at Nathan Hale School and have many fond memories of her. She was one of the kindest, dearest people I have ever met. I will always remember her smile, her warmth, and her Irish soda bread! I loved going into her office and exchanging greetings, "Top of the mornin," "and the rest of the day to you!" She touched so many lives and will be greatly missed. Sending thoughts and prayers to the Kennedy family!

Jeanne Rago - December 04, 2014 at 04:21 PM

JR

I am very sorry for your loss. Caring thoughts are being sent to you and your family.

Julie Russell - December 04, 2014 at 03:57 PM

AS

Ann Snyder lit a candle in memory of Ellen Nora Kennedy

Ann Snyder - December 03, 2014 at 08:05 PM

AS

Dear Tom and family, a mother's love is very special and can never be replaced. May warm memories of Ellen bring you comfort and may God's love surround you with peace.
Blessings, Ann and Jim Snyder

Ann Snyder - December 03, 2014 at 08:08 PM

TC

Our condolences and prayers to the Kennedy family.

The Carrozza Family

Tony Carrozza - December 04, 2014 at 03:10 PM

SJ

Condolences and special thought to the family lucky enough to have spent so many wonderful years with Ellen. She was the corner stone of the Kennedy family and in the short time I knew her she was always made me feel comfortable and I enjoyed her warmth and wonderful smile and laugh! She was the Ladies LADY and just the way she looked at her children and grandchildren you could feel her love flowing. Her memory will always be in the air and she will be the brightest star in heaven with the smile. Prayers and love from the "family across the circle"...

Fondly, Jim and Sandy

Sandra & Jim - December 03, 2014 at 07:50 PM