



Mary Perpetua Sanady

September 28, 1926 - December 11, 2014

Mary Perpetua (Hickey) Sanady died peacefully at the Reservoir Care and Rehabilitation Center in West Hartford on December 11. She was born in Toronto, Ontario on September 28, 1926 and was the eldest of the three daughters of William and Vivian Hickey. Mary was the beloved wife of the late Joseph V. Sanady to whom she was married for 47 years. Mary was also predeceased by her two sisters, Helen Elizabeth "Beth" Buffett formerly of London, ON and Sr. Mary Emmanuel R.P.B. (Theresa Hickey). Together, Mary and Joseph had seven sons; Frank of Charlotte, North Carolina and his wife Maryann, Paul, of West Hartford who has lived with Mary and was her faithful caregiver for the past ten years, Stephen, who married Norma Sullivan with whom he had four children, Katie and her partner, David, of Hartford, Stephen, Jr. of Florida and his fiancée Ashley Kraushaar, Jessica, of Windsor and Matthew, also of Windsor, Edward who is married to Denise (DeMerchant) Sanady of West Hartford and their children Ben and his wife, Holly of Southbury, Patrick and his girlfriend, Olivia, both mostly of Anchorage, Alaska, and Charlie, of West Hartford, Joseph, Jr. who was deceased in September, 2000 and his wife Dianne Dangler of Colchester and their two children Marybeth and Christopher, both of Colchester, Martin and his girlfriend, Karen, of Little Rock, Arkansas, and John and his wife, Sharon (Colton) Sanady of Oak Ridge, New Jersey and their son, John. Mary also leaves behind five beautiful great grandchildren whom she absolutely adored; Jada, Amelie, Aja, Cassiel and Emmie. Mary also leaves behind Joseph's nephew, Frank Moor

and his wife Ingrid and their children Michael and Andrew and their families. She also leaves behind numerous nieces and nephews throughout the Toronto area and the Peter and Maria Perge family of Canton whom, she loved like her own. Mary was born in Toronto, Ontario and moved to Queens, New York in 1953. In her early adult life she taught school in Edmonton, Alberta. After raising her children she returned to college and when she was in her mid-sixties she earned an additional degree; a Bachelor of Art with a major in Human Services. Mary's life was characterized by her love and her devotion to her family and friends and by her deep Christian faith and her commitment to the Catholic Church. At her core she lived each day by the value of giving; giving of her time and her treasure and most importantly of the unending supply of love she had in her heart. Over the past eighty-eight years she shared that loving spirit with countless people both through the formal volunteer work she performed for many different organizations and by randomly helping people she knew who were in need. She thought nothing of responding to an emergency 2:00 AM phone call from Catholic Charities, by going to Bradley Airport to pick up a refugee family from southeast Asia and bringing them home with her, to live with her and her family until she could get them settled on their own. For twenty-five years, on Tuesday evenings, week after week, Mary went to Tabor House in Hartford where she cooked for and shared meals with countless men who were living there because they had advanced stage AIDS and were terminally ill. These men loved her. They loved her because she was willing to share with them at a personal level and treat each of them with dignity and respect. She read to these men. She listened to them. She held their hands. She cried with them and when it was time she was there with them when they died. She also made it her business to help people she knew in her personal life. Whether it was privately channeling money to a friend or family member she knew was in need or providing emotional support and comfort to someone she knew her generosity was unending. Mary was deeply religious. She loved Mass. She went every day. Sometimes, if the spirit so moved her she'd even go back to a second or

third Mass on the same day; especially if she came across a good Irish funeral listed in the paper. Over the years she was involved working with countless committees and groups at St. Timothy Church and St. Thomas the Apostle Church, both in West Hartford and St. Patrick - St. Anthony Church in Hartford. At those churches she served as a lector, a CCD teacher and as a Eucharistic Minister. During the 1970's Mary and her husband, Joseph were deeply involved in and became team leaders with the Marriage Encounter movement. In the end Mary braved a tough, losing battle with her declining health. Through it all her faith was unwavering. Each day, for as long as she was able, she read from the Bible and said her prayers and her Rosaries; a four hours per day commitment. She was a loving woman who will be sadly missed by all that knew her. Calling hours will be held from 2:00 PM to 5:00 PM on Sunday, December 14th at Molloy Funeral Home, 906 Farmington Avenue in West Hartford. A Mass of Christian burial will be held at 10:00 AM on Monday, December 15th at St. Thomas the Apostle Church, 872 Farmington Avenue, West Hartford. Burial will follow in Fairview Cemetery, West Hartford. Mary's family would like to give a special thanks to the staff at the Reservoir for all the loving care they provided Mary during the past few months. Especially kind to her were Kristina and Dr. Rex. In lieu of flowers donations can be made to Tabor House, 67 Brownell Avenue, Hartford, CT 06106.

Cemetery Details

Fairview Cemetery

200 Whitman Ave.
West Hartford, CT

Previous Events

Calling Hours

DEC 14. 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

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

Mass of Christian Burial

DEC 15. 10:00 AM (ET)

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

Tribute Wall

LJ

“ *Mary has been on my mind the past few days. She truly embodied what a christian should be. Such an interesting, lovely & kind person. Hoping all is well with the Sanady family. Leigh*

Leigh Sullivan Julian - December 13, 2021 at 09:13 AM

PN

“ *Condolences to the Sanady family. I work at Tabor House and enjoyed those Tuesdays when Mary and Phyllis came to fellowship with the residents. Mary always talked about her seven boys and the son who prepared the food for Tabor House. I know God have added another loving, devoted, giving and caring Angel. May she rest in peace.*

Patricia Newton - December 15, 2014 at 12:51 PM



“ *My guiding light, and always you will be. I love knowing that you are finally with God, Dad, Joe, your parents, sisters, and all those who have gone in Christ before you. Please view the next portion of this message with the tune "You are my Sunshine".*

*The other day mom, while I was working
I got the call I've always feared
The words were spoken, my heart was broken
My sunshine was gone from me*

*You are my sunshine my only sunshine
You make me happy when skies are grey
You've always known mom, how much I love you
Please don't take my sunshine away*

*I always knew that this day would come
And I must so strong and tall
A world without you will make me be blue
And that I'd feel so awfully small*

*You are my sunshine my only sunshine
You make me happy when skies are grey
You've always known mom, how much I love you
Please don't take my sunshine away*

*I'll always miss you, and all that you do
To brighten up all of my days
But you're in heaven, since I was seven
I knew it's where you belong*

*You are my sunshine my only sunshine
And that is who you'll always be
For I have lived some and I have learned mom
That you will ALWAYS be with me*

Marty Sanady - December 14, 2014 at 10:35 AM

KF

“ My deepest condolences to the entire Sanady family. Loosing someone as lovely as Mary will be heartfelt for some time to come. Her deep faith and sense of family were qualities that touched my heart from the day I met her and I have thought of her fondly over the years. Sincerely, Kate Frederick

Kate Frederick - December 13, 2014 at 06:02 PM

LW

“ Dearest Mary was such a positive influence on so many people! We feel deeply blessed for having known her. May she rest in peace. Dick and Linda Wowak

linda wowak - December 13, 2014 at 12:05 PM

CM

“ Still water runs deep...Witness Mary P. Sunday. A keen, non-judgemental observer. Through thick and thin, genuine in every way. A truly blessed soul with a heart of gold. A woman of unwavering character, style, and grace. Generous to the point of going without, herself! A friend to the end. A "go to" person for English grammar and usage. So many memories at 64 Avondale Rd. An honest and caring listener and adviser who left the World a better place. May God grant Mary eternal rest and peace in Heaven. She is already missed....Sadly, Eddie Adajian

Chris Molloy - December 13, 2014 at 11:02 AM



Marty Sanady

Thank you Eddie, truly meaningful and poignantly stated!

Marty Sanady - December 16, 2014 at 07:34 AM



“ *Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Mary Perpetua Sanady.*



December 13, 2014 at 07:32 AM



“ *Ed,Denise and family, I can tell that Mary was an amazing woman; kind, selfless and loving. I'm am sure you were all proud to call her mother/grandmother/friend. My heart is warmed by the beautiful, full life she lived. You are all in our thoughts and prayers. Carol & Jeff O'Keefe*

Carol Okeefe - December 12, 2014 at 11:31 PM



“ *Your Friends at Tyco Procurement purchased the Sacred Duty Spray for the family of Mary Perpetua Sanady.*



Your Friends at Tyco Procurement - December 12, 2014 at 01:37 PM