



Elizabeth A. Sullivan

December 18, 1932 - March 28, 2011

Elizabeth Harney Sullivan died on March 28, 2011 at the Goerlich Center, Sylvania, Ohio where she had been a resident for the last three years. Elizabeth was the seventh of eight children, born on December 18, 1932, to William H. Harney and Ellen V. (Carty) Harney of Boston, Massachusetts.

She was the wife of Paul R. Sullivan and the mother of Paul R., Jr. (Jackie), Cornelius P. (Laurie), Richard C. (Lori), Mary E. Subleski (Chris), Kathleen A. Mattimoe (John), Jean C. Guerin (Marshall) and Therese E. Sullivan. She was Nana to 9 grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents, 4 sisters and 3 brothers.

Beth attended Cheverus School, Jamaica Plain, MA, Mount Saint Joseph Academy, Brighton, MA, Regis College, and Weston, MA where she earned a degree in Child Psychology in 1954. She received a Master's Degree in Education in 1958 while attending Boston College. She also received a Specialist's Degree in Curriculum and Instruction from the University of Toledo in 1978. She taught for five years in both Boston and Dedham, MA and taught for 24 years for the Toledo Public Schools where she was a Reading Specialist.

Beth and Paul settled in Toledo at the time of their marriage and enjoyed their life here during their 51+ years of marriage. They were members of Rosary Cathedral Parish until 1978, Gesu Parish until 1984 and Corpus Christi University Parish for the remaining years. Beth was a parish council member

at Rosary Cathedral and the first woman parish council president in the early 1970's. She was also a founding member of the Women of the Old West End (W.O.W.E's).

Beth was a stay at home mom until all of her children were in school, and after retiring from teaching was a diligent and capable collector and seller of children's books, aka The Rare Bookworm. She attended many book shows in Michigan, Kentucky and Ohio. The bulk of her book collecting was done on trips to the Northeast. Beth knew just about every rare and collectible bookstore from Bar Harbor, ME to Provincetown, MA. In earlier years the family spent summer vacations at her family's cottage in Hull, MA.

A special remembrance of beloved friends, especially the 'Pot Luck Group' who for over 35 years have met every 5-6 weeks for a meal and lively conversations in which Beth was a vocal participant.

Friends may visit at the Coyle Funeral Home, 1770 S. Reynolds Rd, Toledo, Ohio on Thursday from 2-8p.m. Funeral services will be held on Friday beginning at 10:15 a.m. in the mortuary followed by the Funeral Mass at Corpus Christi University Parish at 11 a.m. Interment Resurrection Cemetery. A special thank you to the staff at the Goerlich Center; their smiles, compassion and endless care for Beth is appreciated.

In lieu of flowers donations can be made in Beth's name to The Goerlich Center, 5320 Harroun Road, Sylvania, Ohio, 43560 or to Corpus Christi University Parish, 2955 Dorr St., Toledo, Ohio 43607

Tribute Wall



“ Gene & I wish to express our sincere condolences to the Sullivan family. We are so grateful for the times that we had to share with Beth. She was a wonderful lady, and a sweet aunt to me. I wish for all of you to find peace, knowing she is in a better place. Love to all. Gene and Bonnie Villines###imported-begin###Gene & Bonnie Villines bonnie@mcmillinlending.com###imported-end##

March 28, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ Just heard the news of Beth's passing--what an amazing, smart, funny, loving, holy, priestly person we all have lost this week. Thank you for being such a good friend to me during my Toledo years and afterward--love to all of you. Eileen Condon, New York###imported-begin###Eileen Condon emcondon@msn.com###imported-end##

March 28, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ I feel I know all of you Sullivan's. I babysat for the childred, and then the Blust and Sullivan fm had many good yrs. A great family, loved by 2 Great parents. Many good memories and treasures from early on. Paul, I know what you are feeling, even though Beth was ill. My Bob died on 03/16/2011. Treasure the many memoriesm###imported-begin###Nancy Blust Chew chublu@bex.net###imported-end##

March 28, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Paul and family,
We have very fond memories of Beth and her vibrant personality.
May you be comforted in the Hope of the Resurrection.
In Christ's love,
Terry and Carol###imported-begin###Terry and Carol Hunt chicobook
hawk@att.net###imported-end##

March 28, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this time. Beth was a very remarkable woman. I have wonderful memories of the days at Gunrock Beach.###imported-begin###Pat & Dick DeLello###imported-end##

March 28, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ Beth was always a special person in our lives.
Our family will always cherish the week we spent together in Dennisport. She will now be another connection for us in heaven.###imported-begin###Maureen and Bill Ryan voyagersend@verizon.net###imported-end##

March 28, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ My prayers are with your family and may God bless Beth. She was a great wife and mother to all of you. May God Bless You.###imported-begin###Nancy(blust) Chew chublu@bex.net###imported-end##

March 28, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ So sorry for your loss of your wife and mother. Beth was such a good person and loved by many. Our prayers are with the family. She is in the Hands of God and He will takw care of her now.##imported-begin##Pat(Blust) and Bob Pillarelli patpillarelli@at t.net##imported-end##

March 28, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ To all of the Sullivan Family,
Your mother was an amazing woman, loved by all. Keep your family memories in your hearts to carry you through this sad and difficult time. Love to you all, Cathy##imported-begin##Cathy Hanley Zink##imported-end##

March 28, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ God bless you, Beth. You made a greater difference in the world than you will ever know. We love you still. Peace to Paul and family.

Phil##imported-begin##Phil Adams##imported-end##

March 28, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Sullivan Family,
I am truly sorry to hear that a wonderful lady passed away. I have many fond memories of Beth while hanging out at your house as a teenager. We are very sorry for your loss.
Regards,
Jay, Jena, Jack, and Joshua Lawniczak##imported-begin##Jay Lawniczak##imported-end##

March 28, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Paul and Family,
I am sadden to hear about Beth's death. She was a wonderful lady.I know how she liked her books. She shared them with me so much. She always had a nice sweet smile. I was so honor to know her and be her friend. I am sure she is sharing many books with the Good Lord. You all are in my daily prayers. I will not be able to fo to the funeral but you will be in my thoughts and prayers.
God bless
Sister Ann Marie McManus###imported-begin##Sister Ann Mariie McManus irishmcmamus@yahoo.com###imported-end##

March 28, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Paul and family...I called mother to tell her about Beth and she sends her deepest condlences. She has so many fun memories of you both. As for me Paul, I sincerely hope the good Lord fills you with love and peace. You have been such a loving husband, a true humanist, and a wonderful friend to Beth. May your memories fill that hole in your heart and always know she's now taking special care of you....Love Nancy Eade###imported-begin##Martha Starner and Nancy Eade###imported-end##

March 28, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ Paul, I am truly glad that your mother had someone like you in her life. It is a testamnet of what a great person she was. You and your family are in my thoughts.###imported-begin##Dennie Snyder###imported-end##

March 28, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ My deepest sympathy to the Sullivan family on the loss of a very special lady.##imported-begin##Lee A. Manera Meiser lameiser@yahoo.com##imported-end##

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“ My condolences to The Sullivan Family during this very difficult time. I have many fond memories of Mrs. Sullivan from our playing days at your Stratford Pl. home to the many good times in the pool on Cheltenham Rd.

May you find the strength and courage from family and friends over the next few days to help guide you in the difficult weeks and months ahead.

You are in our thoughts and prayers,

Pat and Janet##imported-begin##Patrick and Janet Hanley pehanley@bex.net##imported-end##

March 28, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *Paul and Family,*
We are so sorry to hear of Beth's passing but know you as faith filled people who know she is in a better place now. Much love and prayers for you all,
Tom & Mary Jean##imported-begin##Tom & Mary Jean McCarty mjfish2006@yahoo.com##imported-end##

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