



Mary Eileen Mengarelli

November 28, 1943 - March 17, 2023

Mary Eileen Mengarelli, 79, of Huntley passed away Friday evening, March 17, 2023, at The View at Johnson Creek, WI.

She was born November 28, 1943, in Chicago the daughter of Frank and Eileen (Spellman) Burchby. She married James C. Mengarelli on February 3, 1968, in Chicago.

Eileen grew up in Sauganash, Chicago and was a student and parishioner at Queen of All Saints Basilica. After attending Barat College, Eileen became an elementary school teacher at Queen of All Saints Chicago. She also held proud positions as a social worker and then as a customer service representative. While Eileen was raising her sons, she was an active member of the Women's Club of Northbrook and PTA District 27.

Upon Jim's retirement, Eileen looked forward to spending the winter with her husband Jim in Naples, Florida for almost 20 years. Her main goal in life was to treat others the way "I want to be treated" and "sometimes it worked", she would joke. She had a great sense of humor and loved making people laugh either "with her or at her". Eileen was a proud and loving grandmother to Ava, Vincent, and Carter.

May you rest in peace.

She is survived by her sons, Steven (Molly), and Robert (Valerie); her grandchildren, Ava, Vincent, and Carter; brothers, Chris (Carol) Lambert, Tom (Rita) Lambert, and Bob (Beth) Lambert; and many nieces and nephews.

She is preceded in death by her parents; and her husband, James on October

30, 2022.

Mass of Christian Burial will be at 10 AM on Saturday, March 25 at St. Mary Catholic Church, 10307 Dundee Road in Huntley. Burial will follow at All Saints Cemetery in Des Plaines.

Visitation will be on Friday, March 24 from 3 to 6 PM at the James A. O'Connor Funeral Home, 11603 E. Main Street in Huntley with a wake service at 6 PM and then will continue on Saturday at the church from 9 until the 10 AM mass.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR **24.** 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

James A. O'Connor Funeral Home
11603 E. Main PO Box 74
Huntley, IL 60142
(847) 669-5111
jaoconnorfh@att.net

Wake Service

MAR **24.** 6:00 PM (CT)

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Visitation

MAR **25.** 9:00 AM - 9:45 AM (CT)

St. Mary Catholic Church
10307 Dundee Road
Huntley, IL 60142

Mass of Christian Burial

MAR **25**. 10:00 AM (CT)

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10307 Dundee Road
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Tribute Wall

JG

“ we first met Eileen when my wife and I went on a couple of dates with her and Jim before there marriage. over the years as I continued to work with Jim, we became closer friends with them as a couple, many dinners, and cruises together., even over the last 20 years with all her medical issues, we would still go out to eat, Eileen was always a trooper., her and I would always pick on one another, so nice to have had her in our lives, what makes her passing easier, is that she is now pain free and with the love of her life JIm. we will truly miss our dear friend.

love,
Jerry and Judy Gross

jerry Gross - March 24, 2023 at 11:59 AM

MB

“ Your Heritage Woods family sends our condolences to your family. Eileen was a kind, gracious woman and it was an honor to be able to know and care for her. She had a positive word for everyone she met and touched our staff and fellow residents deeply during her time with us. Much love to your family!

Megan Benzel - March 24, 2023 at 11:09 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mary Eileen Mengarelli.



March 23, 2023 at 11:09 PM



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March 23, 2023 at 10:02 PM



“ *Eileen was a wonderful, kind, soft-spoken woman She will be greatly missed.
We will be unable to attend her wake/service. Unfortunately, we have a family wake/service to attend. Rest in Peace, Eileen.
Carole and Harry Bending*

Carole and Harry Bending - March 22, 2023 at 08:50 PM



“ *Eileen and I loved dining at great restaurants in Naples, but my favorite memory of our friendship is drinking martinis or other great drinks at the shore by our condo in Naples while watching the waves roll in.
Sandra Matis*

Sandra Matis - March 22, 2023 at 04:55 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Mary Eileen Mengarelli.*



March 22, 2023 at 01:22 PM