



Eileen M. Morgan

June 28, 1947 - April 10, 2018

Eileen Mildred (Karon) Morgan, 70-years-old, died on Tuesday, April 10, 2018, in Pembroke Pines, Florida surrounded by her loving family. After her valiant fight with Breast Cancer in 2014, Eileen's battle resumed in May 2016 with Acute Myeloid Leukemia (AML), which proved too aggressive to conquer, although she never gave up. Her strong will to live, unwavering faith in God, and the love and prayers of family, friends, and many supporters carried her through her final days. As her body struggled, her heartfelt desire to reach out to anyone else wrestling with cancer or other terminal illnesses, became her focus - whether sharing a prayer or sending a thoughtful card, most often Eileen could be found comforting others she just met who were sitting nearby receiving their Chemo or other treatments. Even if you just met her once, you would walk away with a compliment, or know you that you met a new friend.

Eileen was born on June 28, 1947 in Detroit, Michigan to Mildred and Alphonse Karon. She was the youngest of five children; Gloria, Lawrence, Lilian and Diana. She spent her childhood in Utica, Michigan where her deep bonds for family were instilled by her paternal grandparents who were always present in her life there.

She met the love of her life, John Morgan, in the same neighborhood when he tried to sell her a car at the local gas station where he worked. Not even old enough to drive yet, Eileen knew then that he was the one for her. After graduating from Utica High School, they married shortly after John's college graduation on September 3, 1966 at St. Lawrence Church in Utica, Michigan and spent almost 52 blessed years together. John was her rock and constant source of strength and was with her every moment of her journey before releasing her to be with God.

Their early married life was spent living in Michigan, Ohio, Georgia and New Jersey, courtesy of the U.S. Air Force where John was a Pilot and a Captain. Eileen and John finally settled in St. Clair, Michigan in 1976 to raise their four children, Michelle, Christina, Cynthia and John. A loving and devoted mother, Eileen was always focused on her children when they were growing up, whether making award-winning Halloween costumes, attending their school sporting events, helping run bake sales or supporting fund raisers at St. Mary's Catholic School and Parish. Being a wife and mother was her greatest joy and she considered it her most successful accomplishment. The years with

her children at home were filled with much love. A woman of faith and the heart of the family, Eileen shaped their spirituality by her true Christian example, and through various Catholic activities. Her passion for creating wonderful family memories and instilling traditions was immense; from birthday parties to family holidays and vacations, she always made every occasion special. She also loved to sew, decorate, learn new hobbies and enjoyed her summers in the St Clair river boating with family and friends. She was an avid golfer and loved the memories shared with her golf league sisters.

Eileen was proud to receive her Massage Therapy license after her children were grown and enjoyed a second career in the healing arts, working for herself and at Norbert Alexander's salon in St. Clair. She was active in the community with the St. Clair Women's League, St. Vincent de Paul Society and other causes important to her heart.

After the couple's retirement in 2010, they split their time between their home in St. Clair and their second home in The Villages, Florida, enjoying special moments and staying active with friends both old and new, golfing, playing pickleball and socializing.

Eileen is survived by her husband of 52 years, John, her four children and spouses: Michelle and Michael Stys, Christina and Carl Graham, Cynthia and Johnathon Morgan-Reed, and John and Jennifer Morgan and her nine grandchildren: Parker and Alexandria Graham, Madalyn, Katelyn and JP Morgan, Summerlyn and Shaylyn Stys, Stella and Vaughn Morgan-Reed

The family is deeply grateful for the outpouring of love, prayers, and support in many heart-felt forms include the caring doctors and nurses at Moffitt Cancer Center in Tampa, Florida, the Florida Cancer Center in The Villages, Memorial West Hospital (Moffitt) in Pembroke Pines, FL, Karmanos Cancer Center in Detroit and William Beaumont Hospital in Royal Oak.

Visitation information for friends and family of Eileen Morgan: Visitation will be on Monday the 16th from 3:00 – 8:00 p.m. at Young Colonial Chapel Funeral Home, 4061 Saint Clair Hwy, East China, MI 48054 with a prayer service at 7:00 pm. Additional visitation Tuesday from 10:30 to 11 am at church. The funeral Mass will be held at St. Mary's Catholic Church in St. Clair, 415 N 6th St, St Clair, MI 48079 presided by Fr. Greg Deters on Tuesday, April 17th at 11:00 am.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations can be made to BeTheMatch.org or the [Leukemia & Lymphoma Society \(lls.org\)](http://Leukemia & Lymphoma Society (lls.org)). Eileen always believed in the Golden Rule: Treat others the way you would like to be treated. i.e. Do a loving act of kindness, send a card, give a hug, or say "I love you" to someone special in her memory.

All I ask of you is forever to remember me as loving you.

Cemetery

Events

St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery

Clinton Ave.

St. Clair, MI,

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Visitation

03:00PM - 08:00PM

Young Colonial Chapel Funeral Home

4061 Saint Clair Hwy, East China, MI, US, 48054

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Visitation 10:30AM - 11:00AM

St. Mary's Catholic Church

415 N Sixth, St.Clair, MI, US

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Funeral Mass 11:00AM

St. Mary's Catholic Church

415 N Sixth, St.Clair, MI, US

Comments



“ Heaven gains an exemplary star. Eileen was a beautiful lady inside and out. She had a sincere kindness about her that made me want to call her friend, even though I barely knew her or her family. When I see a pretty hat or scarf I'll always be reminded of Eileen's positive strength to fight for life. My deepest condolences to John and family.

Sincerely, Marilyn Schriener

marilyn schriener - April 18, 2018 at 10:16 AM



“ Dear John and family,

Eileen's smile could light up a room. I admired her strength and determination as she battled each treatment. May you all find comfort in good memories and the love and support of family and friends.

Fondly,
Kay Hentschell

Kay Hentschell - April 17, 2018 at 02:01 PM



“ John and Family,

Our deepest condolences. Eileen was such a special woman. We always enjoyed your many visits to Ontario.

Thinking of you.

Allyson Squire, Jay and Mindy Squire, Joel and Emily Squire, Katelyn and Chadd Taylor

The Squire Family - April 17, 2018 at 08:16 AM



“ Aunt Eileen was an inspiration! So loving, caring, strong, intelligent, kind, sweet, fun, supportive and beautiful. I have amazing memories of all of times together at the St. Clair house and at our house on Cass lake. My best memory is when we came to visit as teenagers (before we moved to CA so probably early 80's) and it must have been a holiday weekend, but she made this amazing light green cake and she called it the watergate cake. It has pistachio pudding in the cake and the frosting. To this day, I still make that cake and everyone loves it. I tell them the story of Aunt Eileen and how she made it for us in Michigan. My mom got the recipe and I have made it ever since. A favorite when we went to the lake and now I just make it gluten free. I know this recipe will be passed down to my kids as it is a family favorite. We will always have the fondest and most amazing memories of Aunt Eileen. She will be missed, but her legacy will go on with the watergate cake and of course, her beautiful spirit!

Love, Jennifer Morgan, Taylor, Spenser and Brooke



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Jennifer Morgan - April 16, 2018 at 10:15 PM



“ Eileen was truly an ANGEL on earth.
Always a kind word, she was the most positive person and always looking toward the future.
Are memories will be of laughing, sharing old & new family stories, or just enjoying each other. Her last words to me were of encouragement & looking forward to spending time with her daughters and her beautiful babies.
With all of our heartfelt sympathy to her family on the loss of such a beautiful person
Sincerely
Don & Dorothy Del Rose

Don & Dorothy Del Rose - April 16, 2018 at 05:27 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Eileen M. Morgan.



April 16, 2018 at 10:37 AM



“ Love, Aunt Chick and all of the Copland Kids purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Eileen M. Morgan.



Christine McDunnough - April 16, 2018 at 09:32 AM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Eileen M. Morgan.



April 16, 2018 at 08:48 AM



“ Saddened to hear of Eileen's passing. She was the ultimate fighter and certainly was an inspiration to all who fight their own battle with cancer. I had the pleasure of knowing and working with John and Eileen as two of their four children attended SCHS while I was principal. Always supportive whether it was in academics, sports or class functions (I particularly remember an all-night senior party decoration she and John were responsible for that amazed me), she brought a light to everything she did and passed that trait on to her children. I am sure that all who had the pleasure to know Eileen have been better for knowing her. Prayers and comfort to John, the children and their families.

Sincerely, Rick and Marlene Rose

Richard Rose - April 15, 2018 at 05:05 PM



“ From, The Tanghe family purchased the Love Everlasting Bouquet for the family of Eileen M. Morgan.



From, The Tanghe family - April 14, 2018 at 02:03 PM



“ Diana Tanghe purchased the Garden of Memories for the family of Eileen M. Morgan.



Diana Tanghe - April 14, 2018 at 01:22 PM



“ we are friends of the stys and met eileen several times. we always enjoyed her company along with john. in fact we mentioned getting together at a future date. we also know her daughter Michele and the adorable granddaughters. my heart goes out to her family and we send sincere condolences to all of you.

sincerely, christine & louis sorrillo

christine sorrillo - April 14, 2018 at 11:28 AM



“ I always enjoyed the beautiful smile and hello from Eileen. She was a wonderful lady. Sending hugs and prayers to the family. God has received a beautiful angel. RIP Eileen Morgan. Love to all....Archie and Sandy Rock

Sandy Rock - April 14, 2018 at 08:10 AM



“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



Terry Tanghe - April 13, 2018 at 09:55 PM



“ When Eileen heard that an Army Family was moving into her neighborhood, she marched on, in true military fashion and tradition, to fill our refrigerator with basic needs and fill our hearts with a family friendship of nearly thirty years. We shared graduations, weddings, births, vacations, golf, women's league events, mastectomies, deaths, special occasions and many friends, in the midst of Eileen's wisdom and grace. Her positive spirit, focus of faith, and love of family were her signature traits. We choose to remember Eileen as in this photo: smiling, strong, happy, healthy, playful, fun. With Love, Seletsky family

posey seletsky - April 13, 2018 at 07:04 PM



“ Michelle, thinking of you and your family at this difficult time.

Nancy Westerhof - April 13, 2018 at 06:10 PM



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Posey Seletsky - April 13, 2018 at 04:54 PM



“ Jim @ Cathy Moore purchased the Guiding Light Bouquet for the family of Eileen M. Morgan.



Jim @ Cathy Moore - April 13, 2018 at 01:45 PM



“ John and I are both pilots and first met at an aviation club meeting in the Villages Florida 5 years ago. At that meeting we decided to get our wives together and have lunch at the Red Lobster. We would be privileged to share many rounds of golf followed by lunch or dinner over the next 5 years.

The relationship developed from friendship to a feeling of family. Get togethers with their kids or with

ours became routine even though our children never met in person – we often fantasized that they would all be good friends.

Seems longer than 4 years ago that Eileen was first diagnosed with cancer. There was concern but not alarm really. Her attitude was positive and there was just no doubt she would get through it. Life went on as we continued to meet for golf, a bite to eat and a glass of wine. Then the leukemia diagnoses. The level of concern increased but still no, none, zero thought of it being terminal. Had to work around more doctor appointments, extended periods in the hospital but still we were able to get together. The picture of us about to play golf was just last month – the Sunday before Easter.

Courage and strength were Eileen's way of living while love and faith held her heart and soul. Those attributes carried all of us, a foundation to her family and easily loveable to everyone whose lives she touched. She has left a huge void in those lives. All of the Sorenson's – Bill, Martha, Michelle and Kathleen feel that void but she will live forever in our most cherished thoughts and memories.



Bill Sorenson - April 13, 2018 at 04:24 AM



“ Eileen's foundation was John, My respect for him is enormous. He should be canonized - Saint John

Bill Sorenson - April 13, 2018 at 04:36 AM



“ I cherish the memories of my childhood spending time at the Morgan's home. Mrs. Morgan (Eileen) was such a kind and loving person. She always treated me like I was one of her own. I can remember her making the best chocolate chip cookies and pancakes on the weekend with cut up apples in them. Later in life as I would run into her she would give me updates on her family and her face while she talked about her family showed how proud she was of all of you. May you all find peace and comfort in knowing that her strong faith has led her to eternal life. You all are in my thoughts and prayers as you go through this difficult time.- Rita (Schneider) Grazia.

Rita Schneider Grazia - April 12, 2018 at 07:00 PM



“ Dave and I will always remember Eileen’s loving ways and her healing hands. St Clair will miss Eileen very much. She was a very centered, calm and truly caring person.
Our prayers go out to John and the family. The Hopps

karen hopp - April 12, 2018 at 03:14 PM