



Eileen T. Thelen

February 16, 1948 - July 21, 2021

Eine Thelen of Westphalia passed away at home July 21, 2021 surrounded by her loving family after a courageous battle with cancer. Eine was born February 16, 1948 in Lansing, Michigan to the late Edward and Aurelia (Motz) Plunkett. She graduated from Grand Ledge High School Class of 1966 and worked as a typesetter, retiring from Jet Speed Printing in St. Johns. She was a longtime faithful member of St. Mary Parish where she cleaned the church, helped with the annual Knights of Columbus chicken BBQ for 30 years, was a member of the Christian Mothers and Women's Guild and was recognized as the Knights of Columbus Women of the Year in 2019. Eine enjoyed attending her grandson's football games, granddaughter's volleyball games and taking casino trips with her sisters.

She is survived by her husband of 54 years, Bud; children, Richard (Kristana), Scott (Heidi O'Connor) and Andrew (Marci) Thelen; grandchildren, Alex, Ryan, Austin, Carter and Emma Faith; siblings, Ray (Rosemary) Plunkett, Dale (Marion) Plunkett, Marilyn (Ken) Sohn, Shirley (Stan) Smith, Pat (Mike) Thelen and Lynda Plunkett, and brother-in-law Jerry Gunn, along with several nieces, nephews and cousins. She was preceded in death by her parents, one sister and four brothers.

A funeral mass will be celebrated on Tuesday, July 27, 2021, 10:30 am at St. Mary Catholic Church, Westphalia by The Reverend Fr. Eric Weber. Rite of committal will follow at St. Mary Cemetery. Memorial contributions in Eine's name may be given to the Westphalia Township Fire Department, P.O. Box

236, Westphalia, MI 48894. Arrangements by the Holihan-Atkin-Barclay
Funeral Home, Grand Ledge.

Cemetery Details

St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery

14657 W. Price Rd.
Westphalia, MI 48894

Previous Events

Funeral Mass

JUL 27. 10:30 AM (ET)

St. Mary Catholic Church
201 N. Westphalia Street
Westphalia, MI 48894

Tribute Wall

JH

“ *Jim and Darlene hunt purchased the Wings of a Dove Tribute Blanket for the family of Eileen T. Thelen.*



Jim and Darlene hunt - July 26, 2021 at 04:32 PM

DA

“ *Eileen will always be remembered....she has taught me so much without even knowing she did....she was the most dedicated and faithful employee anyone could wish for. She is missed dearly. Thank you Eileen and peace be with you.*

Debbie Armstrong/Jet Speed Printing

Debbie Armstrong - July 25, 2021 at 10:39 AM

JK

“ *One of many fond memories I have is when Aunt Eine took this city boy out to the dairy farm on Pratt Road for a couple of days. Waking up early for chores was very different for me and I think the only task I did somewhat correctly was baling hay, though I had plenty of scratches on my arm! But the big delicious breakfast she had ready after chores made everything worth it. Thanks for always being loving, kind and sweet to me and everyone else Aunt Eine! From Jim Van Kirk*

Jim Van Kirk - July 25, 2021 at 08:53 AM

DR

“ Eileen’s knowledge at putting together the Clinton County Pheasants Forever banquet program at Jet Speed over 25 years was incredible. We will miss her smile and the phone call saying they are finished. She would bring them home leaving them in her garage. “No sense making a special trip to St. Johns” she would say. Rest In Peace Eine

Dave Rademacher - July 24, 2021 at 10:36 PM

MS

“ When I was employed at Most Holy Trinity Church and need any printing products the cheerful voice of Eileen would not only take my order, but would offer to drop the finished products off at the Parish office on her way home. Your Wife and Mom has such a giving heart. Always cherish her memory.
Mary Smith

mary smith - July 23, 2021 at 09:31 PM

JP

“ Eine was the best employee ever. I will miss her very much

jim pratl - July 23, 2021 at 05:36 PM

SS

“ 3 couples were snowmobiling at Lake George when one of the snowmobiles got a fuel leak, as we were wondering what to do Eine comes to the rescue and from her pocket pulls out a " feminine hygiene product" that we used to plug the hole in the gas tank. We are now all able to ride back to the cottage. We love you Eine and God speed on your final journey. love, Stan and Shirley

Stan Smith - July 23, 2021 at 08:47 AM