



Mary L. McNamara

June 26, 1941 - April 19, 2024

Mary Louise McNamara, aged 82, of Northville, passed away peacefully on April 19, 2024. Born to Nicholas and Margaret Wambach in Detroit on June 26, 1941.

Mary Lou was preceded in death by her loving husband, Edward, her granddaughter, Mary Margaret, her great-grandson, Peter, and her siblings, Lillian, Robert, and Ronald.

She leaves behind a life rich with love and cherished memories, upheld by her family and all who knew her. A devoted mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother, Mary Lou's legacy includes her children, Maureen (Kenneth) Szczyпка, Eileen (Brendan) Dunleavy, and Ann Marie (Gregory) McLaurin; her cherished grandchildren, Megan (Brandon), Erin (Justin), Alison (Dennis), Caitlin (Matthew), Edward (Kelly), Kathleen (Joel), Colleen (Jason), Brendan (Dana), Maura (Trevor), MaryGrace, Catherine (Colin), Caroline (Joaquin), and Colin. She is also cherished by her twenty-eight great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, extended family members, and friends who carry on her memory.

Mary Lou graduated from St. Francis De Sales High School in Detroit and went on to become a successful real estate agent in metro Detroit.

Throughout her life, Mary Lou was an active member of several parishes including, St. Raphael, Church of the Divine Child, Our Lady of Victory, and Our Lady Good Counsel. Her commitment to her Catholic faith was profound and unwavering, providing her with strength and comfort throughout her life.

Mary Lou was a long-standing member of the Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians (AOH) and various other Catholic organizations. In 1992, Mary Lou and Edward were honored as “Man and Woman of the Year” by the Irish Pallottine Fathers, a testament to her service and dedication to her community. Memorial contributions may be made to the Irish Pallottine Missionary Centre, 424 Orange St., Wyandotte, MI 48192, in honor of her devotion to her faith and Irish heritage (www.irishpallottines.org).

Visitation will be held at Vermeulen-Sajewski Funeral Home, 46401 West Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth, MI 48170 on Tuesday, April 23, from 2:00 to 9:00 PM with a rosary service at 7:00 PM. Mary Lou will be In State on Wednesday, April 24, at Our Lady Good Counsel Parish, 47650 North Territorial Road, Plymouth, MI 48170 from 10:00 AM until the time of Mass at 10:30 AM. She will be laid to rest during a private family burial at St. Michael Cemetery in Richmond, MI.

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Previous Events

Visitation

APR **23**. 2:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

Vermeulen-Sajewski Funeral Home Plymouth
46401 Ann Arbor Road West
Plymouth, MI 48170
(734) 459-2250
plymouth@vermeulenfh.com

In state

APR **24**. 10:00 AM - 10:30 AM (ET)

Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church
47650 North Territorial Road
Plymouth, MI 48170

Mass

APR **24**. 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM (ET)

Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church
47650 North Territorial Road
Plymouth, MI 48170

Tribute Wall

CF

“ *Mary Lou was my first cousin. I grew up with Marylou. I missed communication and notice of her death. I did hear from her and I found notice in google. Carolyn McLernan falvey. She often called me. We were good friends. I will miss conversation with her*

carolyn falvey - February 11 at 06:23 PM

MW

“ *Sorry to hear about Mary Lou .
I worked with Mary Lou at Caldwell Banker Schweitzer.
It was always a joy to to talk with her and listen to all her trips to Ireland. The stories where always a good laugh which we all needed! She kept everyones attention and we all enjoyed to hear what she had to say.
To this day I remember how she loved her family and her grandkids..no greats then! She was a delight to be around and always put a smile on my face! I will always remember the good times we shared at work.
I know her spirit will always be present with all that new her!
God Bless Mary Lou!*

Marium Wilkie - April 24, 2024 at 11:25 PM

DD

“ *Maureen, Ken, and Family,*

Gail and I remember the first time we met Mary, in line at our first St Edith Fish Fry, six years ago. She was so welcoming, and helped guide us through the line. I will never forget that! She will be missed, but held deep in our hearts and memories forever!

Eternal rest be granted unto Mary O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her. May her soul and all the souls of the faithful departed, rest in peace.

Deacon Don & Gail Esler

Deacon Don - April 24, 2024 at 11:52 AM

DM

“ *So very sorry to hear of your mom's passing. She was a part of my life since I was little as she was a dear friend of my mom's- Karen Miller. She was always amongst the group of wonderful ladies who would periodically gather at our house to play cards, although I think they chatted and laughed more;) She shared in graduations, wedding showers and baby showers. She will be missed. Extending my deepest sympathy at this time.*

Donna McGow and family

Donna McGow - April 24, 2024 at 11:10 AM

JS

“ *Mary Lou was a special woman I spent many days speaking with her about her many grandchildren and great grandchildren she was so proud of her family and always enjoyed her outings with them. She will be greatly missed by all who knew her.*

Jessica smyth - April 23, 2024 at 06:26 PM

SM

“ *Mary Lou was a sweet caring neighbor and will be very much missed. A mass will be offered for her on June 1st at St Kenneth. Condolences to her loving family. Shirley McNeely*

Shirley McNeely - April 23, 2024 at 03:27 PM



“ *Large Basket Garden was purchased for the family of Mary L. McNamara.*



April 23, 2024 at 10:46 AM

TK

“ *The Adelmans and the Kolosvarys purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Mary L. McNamara.*



The Adelmans and the Kolosvarys - April 23, 2024 at 09:30 AM

LF

“ *Love, The Father Kern Foundation purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Mary L. McNamara.*



Love, The Father Kern Foundation - April 23, 2024 at 09:24 AM

TH

“ *The Haneys purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Mary L. McNamara.*



The Haneys - April 22, 2024 at 10:04 PM

TH

“ *The Haneys planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mary L. McNamara.*

The Haneys - April 22, 2024 at 10:04 PM

JF

“ *Janet Paquette & Family purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Mary L. McNamara.*



Janet Paquette & Family - April 22, 2024 at 08:11 PM

TF

“ *The Stopler Family purchased the Rainbow Of Remembrance Spray for the family of Mary L. McNamara.*



The Stopler Family - April 22, 2024 at 07:38 PM

WW

“ Woods, Bambachs, Webers, & Wolschlegers purchased the Ocean Breeze Spray for the family of Mary L. McNamara.



Woods, Bambachs, Webers, & Wolschlegers - April 22, 2024 at 06:00 PM

WW

“ Woods, Bambachs, Webers, & Wolschlegers planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mary L. McNamara.

Woods, Bambachs, Webers, & Wolschlegers - April 22, 2024 at 06:00 PM



“ Once or twice a year Mary Lou would call me on accident trying to reach my father and we took advantage of it and had a 5 minute call to catch up on things. I think it was a fun surprise for both of us, I'll miss our calls.

Patrick Cannon - April 22, 2024 at 05:52 PM

TL

“ The Robison's, Stalkers and Lesondak's purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Mary L. McNamara.



The Robison's, Stalkers and Lesondak's - April 22, 2024 at 05:31 PM

AJ

“ Anna, Paul and the Boys, Maureen and Jim purchased the Serene Reflections Bouquet for the family of Mary L. McNamara.



Anna, Paul and the Boys, Maureen and Jim - April 22, 2024 at 05:03 PM

AJ

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Anna, Paul and the Boys, Maureen and Jim - April 22, 2024 at 05:03 PM

NF

“ Nick Valenti and the Michigan Financial Companies Family purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Mary L. McNamara.



Nick Valenti and the Michigan Financial Companies Family - April 22, 2024 at 04:46 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mary L. McNamara.



April 22, 2024 at 04:22 PM

KF

“ Ken & Stacey McLaurin & family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mary L. McNamara.

Ken & Stacey McLaurin & family - April 22, 2024 at 04:22 PM

HB

“ Her Longtime Friends at Coldwell Banker. purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Mary L. McNamara.



Her Longtime Friends at Coldwell Banker. - April 22, 2024 at 01:42 PM

HB

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Her Longtime Friends at Coldwell Banker. - April 22, 2024 at 01:42 PM

SJ

“ Mary Lou was such a special cousin. I have fond memories of her coming to "the farm" to visit when I was a little girl. Later, she, "Patsy" and I would get together for lunch, which would involve 3-4 hours of reminiscing, sharing family news, and of course, lots of laughter! She had an Irish charm, much like her mother, our beloved Aunt Margaret. Rest in peace in your Mom's embrace, Mary Lou!

Sharon Joachim

Sharon Joachim - April 22, 2024 at 01:16 PM

TB

“ *The Malinowski's and Brink's purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Mary L. McNamara.*



The Malinowski's and Brink's - April 22, 2024 at 12:42 PM

MR

“ *Maureen, Scott & Aidan Riehl purchased the Dreams From the Heart Bouquet for the family of Mary L. McNamara.*



Maureen, Scott & Aidan Riehl - April 22, 2024 at 12:39 PM

MR

“ *Maureen, Scott & Aidan Riehl planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mary L. McNamara.*

Maureen, Scott & Aidan Riehl - April 22, 2024 at 12:39 PM

PM

“ The death of Mary Lou is not only losing a cousin but losing a best friend.

In the past two years we have spoke and laughed on the telephone once or twice a week. Recently shared her troubles. Getting old is difficult. We became close as children. I would go to her house in the summer and, even though she was young, she would spend time at our house on the farm in Richmond. We played house in the woods having stumps for furniture and very often would argue over the names we called our children. We always wanted Gail and Barbara! As we grew older I would play the piano and we would sing for hours! She stood up in our wedding 67 years ago. I will definitely miss her but realize she is at rest and peaceful. Love you Mary Lou Cousin Patsy

Patsy Manchik - April 22, 2024 at 11:08 AM

RS

“ Roberta S. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mary L. McNamara.

Roberta S. - April 22, 2024 at 11:00 AM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mary L. McNamara.



April 22, 2024 at 10:02 AM

BH

“ Bob and Charisse Harold planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mary L. McNamara.

Bob and Charisse Harold - April 22, 2024 at 10:02 AM



“ Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of Mary L. McNamara.



April 22, 2024 at 09:09 AM

BT

“ Brian, Sherry, Matthew & Taylor planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mary L. McNamara.

Brian, Sherry, Matthew & Taylor - April 22, 2024 at 09:09 AM

CH

“ Carol Hennigan purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Mary L. McNamara.



Carol Hennigan - April 22, 2024 at 08:05 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Mary L. McNamara.



April 21, 2024 at 09:24 PM



“ Marilyn O. purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Mary L. McNamara.



Marilyn O. - April 21, 2024 at 08:09 PM



“ Marilyn O. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mary L. McNamara.

Marilyn O. - April 21, 2024 at 08:09 PM



“ Mary Lou was a great sister in law for more years than we want to count. We shared many times, especially when my brother was alive. Love and prayers! 🙏❤️

Marilyn Oldani Asensio - April 21, 2024 at 08:00 PM