



Mary Ellen Mckiernan

May 30, 1950 - November 11, 2018

Mary Ellen Mckiernan of Dublin, a loving mother, daughter, sister and friend, went to the loving arms of Jesus on Sunday, November 11, 2018. Mary Ellen, a daughter of the late Stanley J. and Margaret L. Mulak, was born May 30, 1950 and grew up in Somers, CT. where she attended Somers High School and was a National Merit Scholar. She graduated from Ithaca College, Ithaca, NY, and Emory University, Atlanta, GA, earning degrees in English literature and teaching. During her sophomore year at Ithaca College she spent a semester studying in Rome, Italy where she met her future husband David, who grew up not 10 miles from her. Following graduation she was a high school English teacher in Gwinnett County, GA. Most recently she taught water aerobics at LA Fitness. Mary Ellen loved to sing, enjoyed the theater and performed in many theater groups and choirs. A loving mother, she devoted her life to her very special son Justin and his educational requirements and needs. She loved her church, St. Joan of Arc, Powell OH where she was an active member for more than 30 years. She sang in the choir and served as a Eucharistic Minister of Holy Communion, a lector and a greeter. Mary Ellen will be remembered as a friend to many and for her happy disposition, sense of humor and daily jokes. She was an active member of ARC 14, Birthday Friends, The Tavern Girls and The Ladybug Club. Mary Ellen is survived by her son Justin, Justin's father David P. McKiernan of Columbus, sister Christine (Brian) Heller of Providence, RI, brother Mark (Christine) Mulak and nephew Edward of Somers, CT, nephew Robert Mulak

of Boston, MA, and many loving friends. Calling hours will be at Rutherford Funeral Home, 450 W. Olentangy Street, Powell, on Monday, November 26 from 2-4 pm and 6-8 pm. A Memorial mass will be at St. Joan of Arc, 10700 Liberty Rd, Powell, OH, on Tuesday, November 27 at 10:00 am with Father Stephen Smith officiating. Inurnment will take place at a later date. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made in Mary Ellen's name to Justin's Special Adult Day Program: Dreamshine, 3821 Blue Church Road, Sunbury, OH 43074. Condolences may be left at www.rutherfordfuneralhome.com.

Previous Events

Calling Hours

NOV **26**. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

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NOV **26**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Mary Ellen Mckiernan*

January 28, 2023 at 10:24 AM



“ *I was deeply saddened to hear of Maryellen's death. We were parishioners and attended the same Mass regularly. I have fond memories of our many and frequent chats after Mass on Sunday. Justin was a special student at the middle school where I used to work.*

He loved music and we loved seeing him smile. God knew just who Justin needed as a mother. He was blessed with a very special mother indeed!



Karen Miller Payne - November 23, 2018 at 08:24 PM



“ *I've known many people in my life but no one as loving as Mary Ellen. The greatest burdens of her life were never burdens to her. She considered it all joy because she saw the good in everyone and everything .*

She was the most positive , accepting person I've ever know. I consider it the hand of God that God placed her in my life. She and Justin were nothing but pure joy to me and my late husband Bill. I'll never stop loving MaryEllen and will look foreword to seeing Her on the other side, heaven. I know she's there.

I love you with my whole heart Mary Ellen .

You were the best friend in the world.

Your loving sister in Christ, Jane Marland

Jane Marland - November 23, 2018 at 03:00 PM

LF

“ *Lynn and Dennis Blum and family purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Mary Ellen Mckiernan.*



Lynn and Dennis Blum and family - November 22, 2018 at 09:01 AM

LB

“ *Lynn Blum sent a virtual gift in memory of Mary Ellen Mckiernan*



lynn blum - November 22, 2018 at 08:03 AM