



Eleanor T. Corrigan

August 21, 1920 - November 3, 2011

TO: TOLEDO BLADE OBITUARY DEPARTMENT Eleanor Kreuz Corrigan, 91, passed away peacefully at Hospice of Northwest Ohio on Thursday, November 3, surrounded by her family. She was born, August 21, 1920, to Jacob and Melvina (Langenderfer) Kreuz, one of eleven children. Eleanor was a devoted wife, mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother. She treasured being a daughter, sister, aunt, mother-in-law, and friend. She attended Immaculate Conception Elementary School, Swanton High School, and Davis Business College. While at Swanton High School, she played the violin in the orchestra for four years and was a cheerleader for two years. She worked for Libbey Owens Ford for six years while she lived at the Salesian Club with several of her sisters. On November 28, 1946, Eleanor married Raymond Joseph Corrigan and together they raised eight devoted children who survive. They are Gary (Patricia) Corrigan; Raymond (Karla) Corrigan; Colleen (Richard) Pivoriunas; Maureen (Robert) St John; Kevin Corrigan; Kathleen (Dennis) Meade; Mary Ann Corrigan (Michael Walsh) and Sharon (Richard) Dubanowich. Surviving to cherish to her memory are grandchildren: Kerry (John) Wellstein, Cristin Corrigan, Brett Pivoriunas; Kimberly (Matthew) Hoffman; Michelle (Robert) Brunner; Sarah (Kyle) Sawyer; Kate Pivoriunas; Catherine (Dominic) Berardi, Marc St. John; William Jacob Corrigan; Michael St. John; Raymond, Thomas, Michael, and Colleen Meade; Killian Walsh; and Kyle, Ryan, and James Dubanowich. Great grandchildren include Jack and Claire Wellstein; Isla Brunner; Matthew Hoffman; Isabella and Liam Daniel

Sawyer. Eleanor is also survived by her loving sisters Antoinette (John) O'Connor, Clavera Ramlow, Regina Ankenbrandt, brothers Norman(Ellie) Kreuz; Alvin (Charlotte) Kreuz; Robert(Jean) Kreuz, Jerome (Carol) Kreuz and brother-in-law Dr. Thomas L. Maloney, sister-in-law Mildred O'Donnell, brother-in-law, Richard O'Donnell and numerous nieces, nephews and cousins all of whom she cherished. Eleanor was preceded in death by her loving husband, Raymond; beloved granddaughter, Shannon Pivoriunas; Also pre-deceased by family members: Agnes and Burt Parks; Mary Jane and Kelly Hughes; Veronica and Romaine Helfrich; and in-laws: Joyce Maloney, Doris and Owen Weiser, and Gerald and Theresa Corrigan. Eleanor's life revolved around the Catholic faith, family and, later, her front porch where she enjoyed her friends and neighbors. She was actively involved in Blessed Sacrament Parish where she was a member for over sixty years. Her greatest achievement was being the mother of eight loving children. Once all of her children entered school, she began a career in sales for World Book Encyclopedia which lasted over 30 years. She became Regional Director for Lucas and Monroe Counties. Eleanor believed in education and literacy. She won numerous sales awards and trips which she enjoyed with her husband Ray during their marriage of 57 years. On one such trip, she attended a sales presentation for a time share vacation home. At the end of the meeting she accepted her gift, and proceeded to sell a set of encyclopedias to the professional presenter. She was a woman ahead of her times in the sales profession. Family and friends may gather at the Ansberg-West Funeral Home, 3000 Sylvania Avenue, on Sunday, November 13, 2011, from 2-7 p.m., where a scripture service will be held at 6 P.M. The Mass of Resurrection will be on Monday, November 14, at 10:30 A.M., at The Church of Most Blessed Sacrament, Bellevue Road, Toledo. Interment will be private. The family suggests memorial contributions to the Raymond and Eleanor Corrigan Family Classroom Fund at Blessed Sacrament School or the donor's choice. The Corrigan family wishes to thank the care givers and friends of Eleanor and for all the support they showed to her and her family.

Tribute Wall

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“ To Karla & Eleanor's whole family, I have retired from teaching and in June 2010 moved to the Cincinnati area to be near my girls & grandchildren. Since I won't be with you at Eleanor's service, I want to send some heart-felt thoughts about Eleanor. I met Eleanor thirty years ago (can it be that long?!!) when I became a World Book representative. Through her enthusiasm and coaching, I became one of her "sales stars", but more importantly I became one of her friends. Eleanor and Ray's home was always a welcoming place to be, and she was truly a bigger-than-life personality. I always marveled at how she could give so much of herself all the time to so many...her family, church, friends, and all of us in the World Book world. She often mentioned the Friday night "date nights" she and Ray had, and I admired her efforts for candle-lit dinners and keeping the spark in their marriage. When I think of Eleanor, words come to mind such as: inspiring, capable, genuine, warm, hospitable, enthusiastic, and fun. She had the very special touch of showing a genuine interest in people she met. I felt that and it blessed my life. Years have passed since our working relationship. A different job and "life" have caused time to just slip away. Often I've thought of her and always planned for a "reunion" visit when I'd stop by her home once more for some time together to just catch-up. She would have liked that, and it would have meant a great deal to me. So, for now I'll add her to the growing list of people who have added to the fabric of my life, and who I look forward to seeing again in heaven. Definitely SHE will be there!

Nancy Lougheed - lougheed.nancy@gmail.com lougheed.nancy@gmail.com -
February 01, 2018 at 12:00 AM

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“ While I don't know the entire family i know Gary very well going back to CCHS in the 60's. I am sorry to hear about your mother. I too lost my mom about a year ago when she was 89. You can think of all the wonderful memories but just as I do you will miss her.

David Sobczak - February 01, 2018 at 12:00 AM

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“ Dear Corrigan family, Our thoughts and prayers are with your family. Reading her obituary told a story of a great and wonderful woman. Corky and Mary Ann if you need anything lets us know.

Ray and Julie Schofield - February 01, 2018 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ Gary, Ken and I are so sorry to hear of your mother's passing. We remember buying our encyclopedia set from her and how sweet she was. You and your family will be in our thoughts and prayers. God bless, Sue and Ken Hicks

sue and ken hicks - skhicks@buckeye-express.com skhicks@buckeye-express.com - February 01, 2018 at 12:00 AM

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“ Our sincerest sympathies for Eleanor's loss....She enriched so many of us with her zest of life....Remembering her 'at home' atmosphere, that she gracefully imparted to us guests, at many thaksgiving dinners....Like Steve Jobs is showing Thomas Edison the i-Pad...Eleanor,is probably sharing a tidbit of history, to the youngest of her new acquaintances.....Our love to you and yours

Marsha n Mike Dugan - mdugan43017@yahoo.com mdugan43017@yahoo.com
- February 01, 2018 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Dear Sharon, Rich, and Family, My thoughts are with your extended family. May Eleanor be in eternal peace. - Peggy Moffitt - Justin, Texas November 9, 2011*

Peggy Moffitt - peg.writeluv@verizon.net peg.writeluv@verizon.net - February 01, 2018 at 12:00 AM