



Eleanor Elizabeth Kuehn

March 8, 1922 - January 19, 2023

Eleanor Elizabeth Kuehn passed away peacefully with family present Thursday, January 19, 2023. Her life's journey of nearly 101 years traversed a broad landscape, from the Roaring 20s to the JT Webb space telescope. She was born to Pauline and John Gorney in Toledo March 8, 1922, the youngest of four daughters. She grew up during the Depression, attended Whitmer High School, and subsequently graduated from Clay High School. She completed her nursing education at Mercy Hospital School of Nursing in 1943. While working as an RN at Mercy Hospital, she met her future husband John (Jack) Kuehn, MD, a longtime Toledo obstetrician. They were married in the Mercy Hospital Chapel December 27, 1945, and raised their family of six children in West Toledo. She was a homemaker in a busy household and was a strong advocate for her children. This was especially evident in her support and advocacy for her daughter Paula, born premature, blind, and with special needs.

Following the death of her husband in 1987, her focus moved beyond the home. She traveled extensively within the US and internationally. She became an active Board member of the Northwest Ohio Developmental Center in Toledo, where Paula resided. She also took up golfing, playing into her 90s. She learned to play bridge, and enjoyed playing in friend's homes, and, in later years, at the Sylvania Senior Center. Throughout her whole life, she was an avid reader, especially of biographies.

Eleanor was preceded in death by her husband Jack, daughter Paula, and son Michael. Left to cherish her memory are John (Mary Lou), Robert (Betsy Fackler), Susan, Jeffrey, daughter-in-law Linda, sister-in-law Cynthia Kuehn, twelve grandchildren and eighteen great-grandchildren.

Memorial donations may be directed to the Sylvania Senior Center. Friends are invited to visit on Friday, January 27, 2023, after 12:00 Noon at the Ansberg-West Funeral Home, 3000 W. Sylvania Ave. where a celebration of life will follow beginning at 1:30 p.m. Rev. Marty Lucas officiant. Burial will be private in Calvary Cemetery.

Cemetery Details

Calvary Cemetery

2224 Dorr St
Toledo, OH 43607

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 27. 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM (ET)

Ansberg-West Funeral Home
3000 W. Sylvania Ave
Toledo, OH 43613

Celebration of Life

JAN 27. 1:30 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

VK

“ Jeff and family I am so sorry for your loss. May the memories you hold dear help you through the rough times. God Bless Love Vicki

Vicki Kuehn - January 21, 2023 at 10:20 AM

JO

To John, Bobby, Susie and Jeff,
Memories of your Mom and Dad, Mike and Paula dance in my head, when I think of our growing up together on Evergreen Court. Your Mom was a Real Saint then, as I'm sure she is now. Dear LORD GOD please continue to hold YOUR Daughter Eleanor, in the Palm of YOUR hands and Give Her The Peace and Comfort She's Earned.!

John O'Neill - January 24, 2023 at 04:17 PM

PH

Family members please accept my condolences on the loss of your mother. I met your mom when I worked at the Northwest Ohio Development Center as I was one of Paula's nurses. When your mom would come to get Paula, Paula would be so excited, Paula's room was right by the door and Paula could hear her come in and talk to staff. Paula loved playing her piano and was such a treat to work with. I remember the day I came into work and found out Paula had died, I was so sad. Your Mom was a great advocate for our population at NODC. Thoughts and prayers coming your way. Pamela Hayes

Pamela Hayes - January 25, 2023 at 03:22 PM

PJ

Dear Jeff and family,
I am so sorry for the loss of your mom. I can't imagine how difficult this must be for all of you. Eleanor was a kind soul with an amazing smile... I can still remember her answering the front door on Kenwood with a warm smile. My deepest condolences . Love, Patti

Patti Steinem Jones - January 25, 2023 at 09:34 PM