



Jean M. Conro

August 7, 1932 - July 25, 2020

Jean M. Conro (nee Karsten), passed away Saturday evening, July 25, 2020, at The Sheridan at Tyler Creek in Elgin where she had resided the past several months.

She was born August 7, 1932, in Elgin the daughter of Herman and Elizabeth (Hidding) Karsten. Jean was a graduate of St. Edward High School, Class of 1950. She married Arthur W. Conro, Jr. in 1956 at the St. Catherine of Siena Catholic Church in West Dundee. Jean and Arthur made their home in Elgin over 40 years and retired in Hatfield, WI on Lake Arbutus.

Jean had worked at the Elgin Watch Factory and at Flexonics in the 1950's and 10 years as a lunch room supervisor in U46.

Born long before computers and the internet were household words. Jean would entertain herself with jigsaw puzzles and became quite a champ at completing them in record time. In her younger days, Jean could be found tending to the many flower varieties in her garden, roses, irises, and daylilies were her favorites. Jean had a particular fondness for Hallmark movies all year long. She once commented she knew all the story lines for the Christmas movies. Jean was also an avid reader of mystery books, especially those written by her favorite author, Jon Patterson. She was also fond of the Clive Cussler book series.

She is survived by her children, Cynthia (Steve) Vincent, Laura (Chris) Kukla, Michael (Jeanne) Conro, and Larry (Malea) Conro; 7 grandchildren Jennifer, Jonathan, Sean, Zack, Pamela, Crystal, and Michael; 13 great-grandchildren; a sister, Judy Proffitt; and a brother, Jerry (Margaret) Karsten.

She is preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Arthur in 2013; and a brother, Ronald.

Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 12 Noon Saturday, August 1, at St. Mary Catholic Church, 10307 Dundee Rd., Huntley. Cremation will follow and a private burial will be at the Holy Sepulchre Cemetery in West Dundee (River Valley Memorial Park).

Visitation will be from 5-7 PM on Friday July 31 at Fredrick Funeral Home, 284 Park St., Hampshire. Masks are required and social distancing will be enforced.

Memorial contributions in her name should be directed to Transitions Hospice in Huntley or to St. Jude Children's Hospital.

Cemetery Details

River Valley Memorial Park Holy Sepulchre Cemetery

14N689 S. 8th Street
West Dundee, IL 60118

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 31. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Fredrick Funeral Home
284 Park St.
Hampshire, IL 60140
(847) 683-2711
<https://www.fredrickfuneralhome.com/>

Mass of Christian Burial

AUG 1. 12:00 PM (CT)

St. Mary Catholic Church
10307 Dundee Road
Huntley, IL 60142

Tribute Wall

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“ Jean, was witty, kind and a joy to be around. My boys and I loved her! Cindy and family, I will continue to keep you in my thoughts and prayers. Your Mom, was awesome!

God Bless
Candy and Family

Doreen Willis - July 30, 2020 at 10:18 PM

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“ The Schultz Family purchased the Summer's Light Bouquet for the family of Jean M. Conro.



The Schultz Family - July 29, 2020 at 09:25 PM



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Jean M. Conro.



July 29, 2020 at 02:33 PM

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“ Worked with Jean at Hilcrest for many years. She always had a smile and looked out for others all the time It was always a pleasure to work for her. Blessings to her family.

Bonnie Starr

Bonnie Starr - July 29, 2020 at 10:56 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Jean M. Conro.



July 29, 2020 at 02:31 AM



“ Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Jean M. Conro.



July 29, 2020 at 01:11 AM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Jean M. Conro.



July 28, 2020 at 08:44 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Jean M. Conro.*



July 28, 2020 at 01:40 PM



“ *I am so sorry for your loss. I remember how kind Jean was. She wanted to meet her soon to be daughter in laws best friend. She invited us to lunch and her favorite craft fair at Pheasant Run. What a wonderful day. Such a kind hearted soul. Sending prayers and love to all of you. God Bless*

Michiele Celio - July 28, 2020 at 01:22 PM