



## Jeanmarie Sullivan

February 1, 2024

Jeanmarie Sullivan of Hampshire, IL, passed away on February 1, 2024, after a brief illness. She was 64.

She settled in Hampshire in the mid-1980s, where she thrived, raising a family she dearly loved -- Cameron, Brendan, and Erin Waterworth; growing a business; and finding and spreading delight and magic in ordinary moments for the people and communities she loved. Creativity, spontaneity, and “possibility thinking” were at her core -- how she approached her days. She was a great noticer of details, the off-kilter thing that slipped by others; and she remembered everything, fashioning intricate and often hilarious stories of odd coincidences and unexpected connections. She was warm in her embrace of friends, who found a fierce ally in Jeanmarie, and lavish in her hospitality to guests.

She was born in Chicago to Ed and Grace Sullivan, the sixth of eight children, and grew up in Palatine, IL. She had an entrepreneurial and businesslike orientation from early on. Following stints working as a travel agent and managing a credit bureau, she applied her acumen and drive to creating, with her former husband, Champion Paving, Inc., in Hampshire, where she also served as its Chamber of Commerce President for a time.

Jeanmarie loved the unconventional, the ethereal -- especially mysticism and

sacred spaces -- which was reflected in her choice of travel, extensive reading and study, and visual and performing arts: an eclectic universe of interests and passions. She found special pleasure in her home, which she dubbed The Castle: on wooded land, beautifully landscaped, dotted with magical gardens. Her final days at home were peaceful. At the end she was surrounded by Cameron, Brendan, Erin, and other family, before a warm fire on a brilliantly sunny winter afternoon.

In addition to her children, Jeanmarie is survived by seven siblings -- E.J., Maureen (Tom Schauer), Marigrace Bailey (Dave), Tim (Sharon), Terry (Patrice), Margaret (Chuck Elliott), and Mary Eileen -- as well as many nieces and nephews and their children, and Gina Byczynski, Cameron's fiancée.

Visitation will be held on Wednesday, February 7, from 4:00 to 8:00 p.m. at Fredrick Funeral Home, 284 Park St., in Hampshire.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 11:00 a.m. on Thursday, February 8, at St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church, 297 E. Jefferson St., in Hampshire. Burial will follow in St. Charles Borromeo Cemetery.

# Cemetery Details

## St. Charles Borromeo Cemetery

Getzelman Road  
Hampshire, IL 60140

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 7. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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

## Mass of Christian Burial

FEB 8. 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church  
297 E. Jefferson Ave.  
Hampshire, IL 60140

# Tribute Wall



“ So, so very sorry to hear of Jeanmarie's passing. Peace be with her.  
Hugs.

*Dawn Hadfield Cowan*

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**Dawn Hadfield Cowan** - February 16, 2024 at 12:53 PM



“ So sorry to hear of the passing of Jeanmarie as she delighted me many times both on the phone and in person when I was taking care of the business insurance for Champion Paving many years ago. Please know that I am thinking of you and have many fond memories of her as she definitely was quite the character at time.

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**Chris Giertz** - February 14, 2024 at 09:45 AM



“ with peace- Katie Drescher purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Jeanmarie Sullivan.



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**with peace- Katie Drescher** - February 07, 2024 at 02:46 PM



“ with peace- Katie Drescher planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jeanmarie Sullivan.

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**with peace- Katie Drescher** - February 07, 2024 at 02:46 PM

DH

“ Thinking of you EJ, Maureen, Marigrace, Tim, Terry, Margaret and Mary Eileen. Such wonderful memories of Jeanmarie and growing up together on Lytle Dr. In remembering, we keep what is best as Treasures forever. Go with God, Jeanmarie. Love, John, Donna and Matthew Berley



Donna Hidder - February 07, 2024 at 02:08 PM

KJ

“ Kendra, Leigh-Anne & Justin planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jeanmarie Sullivan.

Kendra, Leigh-Anne & Justin - February 07, 2024 at 01:30 PM

KJ

“ Kendra, Leigh-Anne & Justin purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Jeanmarie Sullivan.



Kendra, Leigh-Anne & Justin - February 07, 2024 at 01:30 PM

GM

“ Gabriela Mendoza purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of Jeanmarie Sullivan.



Gabriela Mendoza - February 07, 2024 at 12:15 PM

MS

“ Maggie and Rick Smith planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jeanmarie Sullivan.

Maggie and Rick Smith - February 07, 2024 at 09:56 AM

MS

“ Maggie and Rick Smith purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Jeanmarie Sullivan.



Maggie and Rick Smith - February 07, 2024 at 09:56 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Jeanmarie Sullivan.



February 06, 2024 at 10:38 AM

JW

“ Jennifer W. planted a grove of 5 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jeanmarie Sullivan.

Jennifer W. - February 06, 2024 at 09:39 AM

MO

“ Mortenson planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jeanmarie Sullivan.

Mortenson - February 06, 2024 at 07:33 AM

MO

“ Mortenson purchased the Pink Tribute Spray for the family of Jeanmarie Sullivan.



Mortenson - February 06, 2024 at 07:33 AM

KR

“ Kenny R. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jeanmarie Sullivan.

Kenny R. - February 05, 2024 at 08:39 PM

LR

“ Lisa & Randy Ritchey planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jeanmarie Sullivan.

Lisa & Randy Ritchey - February 05, 2024 at 08:12 PM

LR

“ Lisa & Randy Ritchey purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Jeanmarie Sullivan.



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**Lisa & Randy Ritchey** - February 05, 2024 at 08:12 PM

TF

“ The Bender Family purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Jeanmarie Sullivan.



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**The Bender Family** - February 04, 2024 at 12:37 PM

LC

“ Love, Boland cousins purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Jeanmarie Sullivan.



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**Love, Boland cousins** - February 03, 2024 at 09:17 PM



“ Be My Love Bouquet with Red Roses was purchased for the family of Jeanmarie Sullivan.



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February 03, 2024 at 05:30 PM

DJ

“ My sincere condolences to Erin, Brendan, Cameron and the rest of the family and friends.

Darrel Johnson - February 03, 2024 at 05:17 PM

CB

“ Chris and Jackie Benyo planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jeanmarie Sullivan.

Chris and Jackie Benyo - February 03, 2024 at 04:27 PM

CB

“ Chris and Jackie Benyo purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Jeanmarie Sullivan.



Chris and Jackie Benyo - February 03, 2024 at 04:27 PM

MF

“ Mulryan Family purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Jeanmarie Sullivan.



Mulryan Family - February 03, 2024 at 04:13 PM

TB

“ The Caparella Brothers planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jeanmarie Sullivan.

The Caparella Brothers - February 03, 2024 at 01:14 PM

TB

“ *The Caparella Brothers purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Jeanmarie Sullivan.*



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**The Caparella Brothers** - February 03, 2024 at 01:14 PM

LC

“ *Love, Amy Clark planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jeanmarie Sullivan.*

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**Love, Amy Clark** - February 03, 2024 at 01:52 AM

LC

“ *Love, Amy Clark purchased the Blue Caribbean Bouquet for the family of Jeanmarie Sullivan.*



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**Love, Amy Clark** - February 03, 2024 at 01:52 AM

FS

“ *What a special person. Bob and her could talk forever about family and the history they remembered. She was compassionate, warm, welcoming and fun. Enjoyed the time spent at her home with the family parties and the laughter we all shared around the table. Heaven needs her to plan the joyous family and friend reunion. Bob and the Fisher family were blessed by her. Please know she will never be forgotten and always memories of happiness.*

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**Fisher Linda S** - February 02, 2024 at 09:48 PM

CS

“ Caily, Abby, Carson & Shane planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jeanmarie Sullivan.

Caily, Abby, Carson & Shane - February 02, 2024 at 07:58 PM

CS

“ Caily, Abby, Carson & Shane purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Jeanmarie Sullivan.



Caily, Abby, Carson & Shane - February 02, 2024 at 07:58 PM

FC

“ The world has lost an incredible Lady!  
Our sincere sympathy to Cameron, Brendan & Erin & Sullivan families!  
Love the Craters

Fran Crater - February 02, 2024 at 06:38 PM

KR

Deepest condolences to Cam, Brendan, Erin and the Sullivan siblings. She was depicted perfectly in this obituary and may her spirit live on through her amazing children Rest east, my Gemini friend.

Kelly & Rick Reigner

Kelly Reigner - February 02, 2024 at 07:53 PM

EI

Thanks, Kelly and Rick! Her spirit lives on. 💕 from the Sullivans.

Edward Joseph Sullivan III - February 02, 2024 at 08:30 PM

KC

*In the very short time I was blessed to know Jeanmarie, the impact she made on my life will forever remain in my heart. My deepest condolences to the family of an angel gone too soon.*

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**Kim Cleveland** - February 03, 2024 at 06:00 PM

MO

*I am so sorry for your loss. Jeanmarie was so full of life. She had energy, compassion, kindness and so much more. She loved people and loved to hear stories of her cousins. It was so much fun to be with her. She was a wonderful woman. My heart goes out to her children and to all of the Sullivans. I will keep Jeanmarie and all of you in my prayers. May God Bless you and give you peace.*

*All my love,  
Mary Bolahd Olson*

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**Mary Boland Olson** - February 07, 2024 at 11:09 AM