



Kathryn Susan Martini

March 5, 1935 - March 25, 2020

Kathryn Susan Martini, 85, of Kankakee passed away Wednesday, March 25, 2020 in Aurora, IL surrounded by family.

She was born March 5, 1935 in Kankakee, the daughter of James and Oneda (Stilley) Eckhardt. She married her husband of 65 years, Gino, at Saint Rose of Lima Catholic Church in Kankakee.

Surviving are her husband, two sons, Anthony (Allyson) Martini of Aurora, IL, Stephen (Carol) Martini of Milford, DE; five grandchildren, Andrea (Kris) Gordon, Nicholas (Kristen) Martini, Alex (Kristina) Martini, Sean Martini, Emily Martini; and three great-grandchildren. Also surviving are brothers Stanley (Ionia) Eckhardt, Frederick (Dolores) Eckhardt, and Edwin (Mary Kay) Eckhardt; sister-in-law Anna (Robert) Corwin; and many special nieces and nephews.

Kathryn was preceded in death by her parents; brother, Walter "Sid" Eckhardt; sister, Betty Jane Schnell; father-in-law John Martini; mother-in-law Adele Martini; sister-in-laws, Grace Eckhardt, Mary Martini, Linda Martini and Flora Martini; and brother-in-law, Melvin Schnell.

Kathryn worked at Bear Brand Hosiery Co. in Kankakee before becoming a homemaker of 64 years. She was a loving wife, and dedicated her time to raising and caring for her growing family. In her spare time, she enjoyed her hobby and expertise of chair caning that she picked up from her mother and father. She was a long-time member of the Sons of Italy, and a devoted member of St. Martin of Tours Catholic Church.

Due to the current circumstances of COVID-19, a memorial mass will be held at a date and location to be determined.

In lieu of flowers, memorials/donations can be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

Tribute Wall

TG


“ Beth and I send our deepest sympathy for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with your family. Tim and Beth Gates

Tim Gates - March 29, 2020 at 12:57 PM

HJ

“ Sincere condolences to all of you. May the wonderful memories you all have be photographs from the heart.

Hugh Janda - March 29, 2020 at 08:58 AM

 Carole Slattery-heying

“ Peace, comfort and prayers for Mrs Martini and all her family.

Carole Slattery-heying - March 29, 2020 at 07:34 AM

MT

“ Hugs and prayers for God's peace and comfort.



Mary Thomson - March 29, 2020 at 04:05 AM

GM

“ Our deepest condolences to you, Gino, and your family. Kathryn was a very nice and kind lady. We will truly miss her. And Gino, I must add that I truly miss seeing and talking to you at McDonald's in the mornings.

Gary Mitchell - March 28, 2020 at 01:33 PM

SR

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with Gino and Family during this difficult time. May God bless and comfort all of you.
Steve Randazzo and Family

steve randazzo - March 27, 2020 at 02:48 PM

LJ

“ Andrea, Our thoughts and hearts are with you and our family. We are here for you.-Your Coworkers.

Leigh Jenkins - March 27, 2020 at 01:08 PM

RM

“ Our thoughts and prayers go out to the family of this wonderful lady. She will be remembered always for her Kind and Generous Heart. We knew her as members of the sons of Italy, and it was our good fortune for that. May she rest in peace.

Rose Mitchell - March 27, 2020 at 12:04 PM