



Mary "Elaine" Schwass

October 16, 1956 - November 3, 2020

Mary "Elaine" Schwass, age 64, of Kankakee passed away Tuesday, November 3, 2020 at AMITA St. Mary's Hospital in Kankakee. She was born October 16, 1956 in Kankakee, the daughter of George G. & Dianne (Whittington) Schwass.

Elaine was an Administrative Assistant for the Illinois Veterans Home at Manteno. She enjoyed cross stitching, gardening, and shopping. She loved spending time with her family, especially with her grandson, and she loved her grand dog, Rhett. Elaine had a "heart of gold" and loved helping others, especially the veterans at the home she worked at.

She was a parishioner of St. John Paul II Catholic Church.

Surviving are one son and daughter-in-law, Brandon & Cherish Schwass of Greenwood, IN; one daughter, Maura Schwass of Kankakee; one grandson, Noah Campbell; two sisters and one brother-in-law, Karon & Duane Osterhoff of St. Anne and Linda Schwass of Hazzard, KY; one brother, Ray Schwass of Kankakee; and one sister-in-law, Theresa Schwass of Bradley; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Elaine is preceded in death by her parents; and three brothers, George Schwass, Kurt Schwass, and Fred Schwass.

Visitation will be held 3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 10, 2020 at Clancy-Gernon-Hertz Funeral Home in Kankakee. A funeral Mass will be celebrated at 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday, November 11, 2020 at St. John Paul II- West Campus in Kankakee. Please wear a face mask and practice social

distancing guidelines.

Cremation rites will be accorded following the Mass.

Memorials may be made to the Epilepsy Foundation.

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV **10.** 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Kankakee - Clancy-Gernon-Hertz Funeral Home
1480 W. Court St.
Kankakee, IL 60901
(815) 932-1214
cgfuneral@gmail.com

Funeral Mass

NOV **11.** 10:30 AM (CT)

St. John Paul II - West Campus
953 South 9th Avenue
Kankakee, IL 60901

Tribute Wall

KA

“ Kathy lit a candle in memory of Mary "Elaine" Schwass



Kathy - November 13, 2020 at 08:21 PM

LK

“ I was so sorry and saddened to hear Elaine passed away. I worked at the Veterans' Home with Elaine for many years. My deepest sympathy to her entire family. A sweet lady...she will be missed!

Linda Kramer

Linda Kramer - November 11, 2020 at 09:59 AM

TH

“ Fly high and watch over us, Elaine. You will be missed. ❤️



Tracey Houde - November 09, 2020 at 10:34 PM

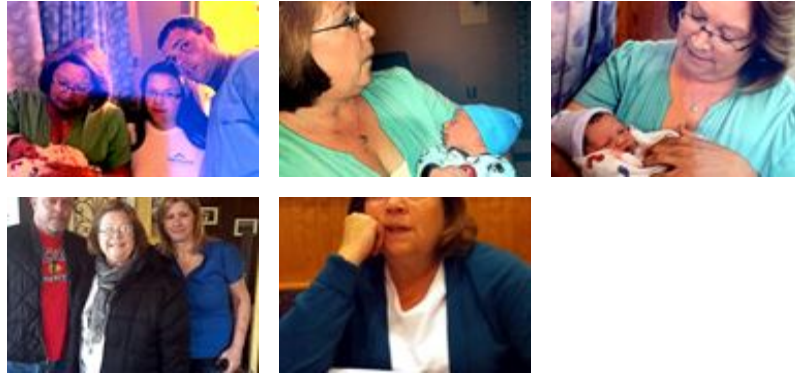
DW

“ To Brandon, Maura and Noah: You have my deepest sympathy in the loss of your mother. I worked with her at the Veterans Home and please know you were her whole life. May she R.I.P.

Dianne Williams - November 09, 2020 at 10:04 PM



“ 76 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Clancy-Gernon Funeral Homes - November 09, 2020 at 11:06 AM

KP

“ *Elaine was a very sweet lady. I knew her from high school and after. My Prayers & sympathy to her family.*
Kathy Pangle

kathy Pangle - November 08, 2020 at 02:15 PM

RP

“ *Ron Porter lit a candle in memory of Mary "Elaine" Schwass*



ron porter - November 07, 2020 at 11:46 PM

VS

“ I'm so shocked to hear this news, sending hugs and prayers to the entire family, may she rest in peace and perpetual light shine upon her. Amen

Vicki and Paulette

Vicki Senesac - November 07, 2020 at 06:06 PM

TE

“ Elaine was the first woman I saw in granny panties and a latex bra. LMAO

Teresa - November 07, 2020 at 12:44 AM

CW

“ Deepest sympathy to Brandon and Maura on the loss of your mom. Elaine was a wonderful person and excellent choir mom. May all the wonderful memories of her help ease your sadness.

Christopher Wilcox - November 06, 2020 at 11:05 PM

RM

“ Please accept our sympathy for your loss Brandon. Your mother was a fine woman and she raised a fun son to be proud of and you. May she rest in peace.

Rose and Gary Mitchell - November 06, 2020 at 11:30 AM

MR

“ Monica Rocha lit a candle in memory of Mary "Elaine" Schwass



Monica Rocha - November 06, 2020 at 11:11 AM

MR

Sending condolences from our family to all of her family and friends from Monica Rocha and family

Monica Rocha - November 06, 2020 at 11:12 AM

MM

“ *MR MRS lit a candle in memory of Mary "Elaine" Schwass*



MR MRS - November 06, 2020 at 10:23 AM



“ *I cannot tell you the amount of times she was like a "Little" Mom to George and me, From the wayward raft trip we took to, Fire crackers under the 57 bridge: She helped smooth those over and Scold us over it. She was a wonderful part of my growing up. I am Heartbroken to hear this. Elaine I love ya you will be missed; and Tell Ma and George Hi from me I think of them often.
R.I.P.*



Skip Haines - November 06, 2020 at 10:02 AM

CH

“ *Cheryl lit a candle in memory of Mary "Elaine" Schwass*



Cheryl - November 06, 2020 at 07:04 AM

MF

Elaine was one of the sweets lady. She had a great sense of humor. It was a joy to work with her.

Michelle Faulkner - November 06, 2020 at 10:03 AM

DA

“ *Anyone who worked at the Veterans Home knew how essential was to daily operations and Administrators. I'm glad she was able to experience retirement and spend more time with family these past several years. She will be missed.*



Deb Anderson - November 05, 2020 at 09:29 PM

TS

“ *So sad to hear of her passing. I met Elaine through my mom when they worked at city hall in Kankakee. She was always a sweet gal and usually always smiling. My condolences to the entire family.*
Taryn Bowsher Schuemann

Taryn Bowsher Schuemann - November 05, 2020 at 07:31 PM

RZ

“ *I will remember Elaine as a child as we attended St. Pat's together - then later in life, high school and finally a co-worker at the IVHM - how lucky I was that God kept sending her into my life.....you will be missed my dear - rest in the arms of angels <3*



robin zivanovich - November 05, 2020 at 07:29 PM

MW

“ *Elaine was a very nice person. We were coworkers at the Veteran Home.* ”



Ms. Cheryl Wilson - November 05, 2020 at 05:58 PM