



## Mrs. Eilleen Cross Trewartha

October 20, 1941 - October 17, 2016

Eilleen Cross Trewartha passed away, surrounded by family, at Greenville Memorial Hospital on Monday, Oct. 17, from complications of lung cancer. She would have been 75 on Oct. 20.

Born and raised in Grosse Pointe, MI., she was the daughter of Dr. Harold and Loretta Cross. She was an accomplished swimmer and was invited to the 1960 Nationals, hoping to qualify for the Olympics. Mrs. Trewartha graduated with a B.A. in English from the University of Detroit, where she met Jim, the dashing young engineer who captured her heart and became her loving husband of 53 years. She received an M.S. from Georgia State University and a coaching certification from Hudson Institute. She worked in Atlanta as a career and life coach and enjoyed helping people find a passion that could also become a vocation. In Seneca she was an active volunteer and caring friend. She served on committees and boards at St. Paul the Apostle and Habitat for Humanity. She loved her book club, neighborhood social groups and Bible study.

In addition to her husband Jim, she is survived by daughter Kelly (Kerry Casey) of St. Paul, MN; son Jeff of San Francisco, CA; sisters Kathy (Gene Schroeder) of Richland, WA, and Maureen Bennett of Livonia, MI; brother Kevin Cross (Barbara) of Oxford, MA; brother-in-law Bob Trewartha of Detroit, MI; sister-in-law Mary Trewartha of Linden, MI; two grandsons, Sully and Teddy Casey; and puppy Jordy. She was preceded in death by her parents.

A funeral mass will be held at St. Paul the Apostle Catholic Church in Seneca on Saturday, Nov. 5 at 10 a.m. with a reception in the church hall afterward. Memorial gifts may be given to Oconee County Habitat for Humanity.

# Comments

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“ I don't really ever remember a day she didn't laugh while she was in my chair. I loved every minute with her.

Devon  
Stylist

**Devon Smith** - October 20, 2016 at 05:15 PM



“ Eilleen and I go back to high school. We stayed in touch through the years. She was, like her Mom, a perfect lady and a joy to be around. My deepest sympathy goes out to Jim and all the family. Jim, you now have to take care of Jordie and I bet that little pup will force you to get outside as Eilleen would want you to do. You and the family will be in my prayers.  
Love, Sue (Barnes) Vethacke

**Suzanne** - October 25, 2016 at 04:19 PM



“ Oh! How I will miss Eilleen. We go back to early childhood. Her parents were my godparents and very close friends of my parents. We shared Xmas Eve's, Swim Team, times in The keys, Puerto-Rico, out on the Lake, going to elementary school , singing Irish songs (we never got the words straight), MANY family gatherings, being in Eilleen and Jim's wedding (so special a day) and talking over so many ideas etc. My favorite memory of Eilleen is when I started the first grade at GP Sacred Heart Convent. I thought the nuns looked scary and I was a tiny, skinny one. Eilleen would hold my hand and walk me in. She was only in the third grade but she was my HERO. Every time I wished her a Happy Birthday, she would laugh and remind me that she shared that day with Skippy, our dog. Eilleen was someone who radiated love, peace and compassion. And what a sense of humor.. When Eilleen's dear mom, my Aunt Loretta, passed away, I was able to share that time with all of the family. Eilleen gave me an Irish shamrock plant that is in my living room. I see it each day and smile for all of the love Eilleen gave me and all that these two Irish American gals shared together. I send love and prayers to Jim, Kelly, Jeff, Kathy, Kevin, Maureen and the grandsons, who she cherished. Jim, she so adored you, from the beginning..May you rest in Peace Eilleen and thanks for the memories. I loved you and will see you again !!!!! Love, Barb(Barnes) Manning xo

**Barb Manning** - October 26, 2016 at 08:25 PM