



Elaine M. Najuch

June 17, 1926 - April 25, 2020

Methuen – Elaine M. (Cassidy) Najuch, 93, of Methuen, passed away on Saturday, April 25, 2020 at the Meadows Health Center in North Andover. She was the beloved wife of the late Matthew (“Mike”) J. Najuch, who passed on the same date 31 years earlier.

Born in Lawrence on June 17, 1926, Elaine was the daughter of the late Thomas and Margaret (Ryan) Cassidy. She graduated from St. Patrick High School, class of 1943. In true Irish Catholic tradition, she lived at home with her mother on Abbott St. until her mother’s passing. She worked as the branch librarian at the South Lawrence Library for 39 years until her retirement in 1986.

Elaine enjoyed reading, line dancing and traveling. She was involved in a number of local organizations, including the Garden Club of Lawrence, where she served as President. She was also a 50 year member of the Sodality of St. Patrick Church, the Rainbow Club, and the St. Claire League of Catholic Women, where she was an active board member until this past year.

Elaine was the beloved matriarch of the Cassidy family and loved by the Najuchs. Her home in Methuen was the focal point for many holiday gatherings. She was a devout Catholic, said the Rosary daily, and participated in a prayer line for those in need. She never forgot a family birthday or anniversary. Later in life, she cherished her daily phone calls with friends and family. Until her last days, she kept a twinkle in her eye and a lilt in her voice.

The family would like to thank Elaine’s friends and neighbors, Joyce and Bob Waldie, for their devoted care and love that helped to preserve Elaine’s independence at home for so many years.

Elaine will be deeply missed by her 2 brothers, Thomas A. Cassidy of Hudson, MA and Charles E. Cassidy and his wife, Adrienne, of Lawrence; her sister-in-law, Beatrice Cassidy, of Lawrence; 3 nephews, Gary T. Cassidy, and his wife, Mary-Jo, of Seattle, WA,

Dr. Charles P. Cassidy and his wife, Dianne, of Natick, and William Cassidy and his wife, Barbara, of Dover, NH; her niece, Theresa Cassidy, and her spouse, Christina Cassidy, of Sarasota, FL; Nicholas R. Mulick and his wife Michelle of Attleboro, MA, and many other great nieces and nephews; and godmother to many. Elaine was predeceased by her brother, Robert J. Cassidy.

Due to the current pandemic, all services will be private. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to St. Patrick's Cor Unum Meal Center, 191 Salem Street, Lawrence, MA 01843. To send an online condolence, please visit <http://www.pollardfuneralhome.com>. The Kenneth H. Pollard Funeral Home, 233 Lawrence Street, Methuen is honored to serve the Najuch/Cassidy family.

Comments



“ I will miss you Elaine. Will miss our cemetery hopping. I am glad that I had met you.

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Nida Nepomuceno - April 29, 2020 at 02:48 PM



“ My condolences to the Cassidy & Najuch families on the loss of Elaine, such a lovely woman. I remember her as the librarian at the South Lawrence Branch which I visited many times with my mother. My parents instilled a love of reading in me and Elaine nurtured it along the way by helping me find books and making recommendations along the way. She will always be a part of my life. May she rest in peace.
Kathy Deloge

Kathy Deloge - April 29, 2020 at 01:32 PM



“ Aunt Elaine was the most loving, kind, and thoughtful person I have ever known. I cherish how she greeted me each visit. Holding the door wide open with a smile, the warmest embrace and always telling me how marvellous I looked. I could always count on her for prayers. How many families get to have a person in their life so saintly. Rest in peace aunt Elaine. I love you.



Terry Cassidy - April 29, 2020 at 11:19 AM



“ Aunt Elaine was a very special person! She touched so many people in her lifetime through her love, laughter, compassion, kindness, knowledge and prayers. We loved how she got so excited over every little thing and showed a true appreciation for every moment she had with family and friends. We will miss her joking and teasing and how she loved to share everything going on with the young ones. She was a person who truly knew how to love the people in her life and we will miss her every day. We feel so blessed to have had her in our lives and we're happy for her sake she's back in Uncle Matty's (Mike) arms again.



Michelle, Nick, Cameron, Dakota - April 27, 2020 at 04:38 PM



“ I remember "Miss Cassidy" from the South Lawrence Library. She always greeted you with a smile. I'm sure she left many happy memories and stories.

mary traynor - April 27, 2020 at 09:01 AM



“ It is with sadness I read of Elaine's passing. She was a very special lady opening my mind and love of books at an early age as our South Lawrence Librarian. She will always be remembered and appreciated by me for giving me the the wonderful gift of reading. My sincere condolences to all her family, you have lost a very special person.



Mary (Leyland) Machado - April 27, 2020 at 04:53 AM