



Mrs. Mary J. Sobel

October 27, 1925 - April 21, 2019

Mrs. Mary J. Sobel age 93, of Grand Rapids went to be with the Lord on Sunday April 21, 2019. She was preceded in death by her husband Edward, brothers and sisters; Wanda Uzarski, Stella Kowrach, Stanley Halas, Josephine Manciewicz and John Halas. Surviving are her children: Susan Sobel, Karen (Stephen) Homan, Cynthia (Robin) Iwane, Robert (Rhonda) Sobel, grandchildren: Sarah Homan, Kyle Homan, Kellen Iwane, Jennifer Sobel, Rachelle (Ben) Isenhoff, four great grandchildren, sisters in law Jane Halas and Betty Sobel. A woman of faith, Mary volunteered her time at the Westside Apostolate and was a member of the Holy Spirit Altar Society. She loved to play bingo and treasured her time with her family. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated Friday at 10:30 AM at the Chapel of St. Ann's, 2161 Leonard St. NW where she will repose one hour prior. The family will receive visitors Thursday from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 PM at the Arsulowicz Brothers Remembrance Mortuary 3525 Remembrance Rd where the Rosary will be prayed Thursday at 7:30 PM. Memorial contributions may be made to Emmanuel Hospice or St. Ann's.

Events

APR 25 Visitation 02:00PM - 04:00PM
Remembrance Chapel
3525 Remembrance Road NW, Walker, MI, US, 49534

APR 25 Rosary 07:00PM
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APR 25 Visitation 07:00PM - 09:00PM
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Comments



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mrs. Mary J. Sobel.



April 24 at 09:32 PM



“ Sue, Karen, Cindy, Bob and family, Please accept my sympathy in the loss of your Mom. I will forever remember all of the times spent with your Mom and my Mom growing up. She's left quite a Legacy.

Ruthann Johnson-Morgan - April 24 at 08:52 AM



“ Bob and family, sincere condolences on the passing of your mother. May His peace be with you in your time of grief.

Alan Didion

Alan Didion - April 23 at 05:12 PM



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April 23 at 02:23 PM



“ As the first grandchild of Mary Sobel, I feel that it's my duty to share some of my favorite observations about her.

1. She was the best example of a creature of habit. She used Dove soap, Oil of Olay, Raffine' perfume, and her hair was always perfectly poofed. Everyday. I can't smell Dove soap or Oil of Olay without thinking of her. Chex Mix and Polish sausage every Christmas and she never missed mass or grace before meals. And her Keds shoes:

- a black pair and a white pair.
2. Always a satin pillow case. Always. Good for the hair.
 3. Her clothes always matched.
 4. She always had fun kids cereal. And a cupboard with plastic dishes to play kitchen with.
 5. She taught me how to never leave dishes in the sink before you go to bed.
 6. I'm pretty sure that my obsession with order, organization, and cleanliness came from her. She was professional at it. (Do NOT leave the medicine cabinet open...ever!)
 7. Catholicism was her thing. She knew all about it. I will never learn how to be faithful like that.
 8. She dressed impeccably and taught me how to take pride in my appearance. She always had an eyebrow pencil, and she looked like Bette Davis in her wedding pictures.
 9. She was strict, but it was out of love and protection for people she cared for. I didn't always see this, but I do now.
 10. She brought people together and we have amazing stories that make us laugh until we are crying. And it breaks my heart that she's gone. Why can't we have people forever?
 11. She took pride in her deep connection with her Polish culture.
 12. Finally, I feel so lucky to have had time with her toward the end. It wasn't easy, but my heart is at peace. I love her so much and I am glad her suffering was brief. She left us on Easter Sunday. What a blessing! If she's not with Jesus, than no one is.

Sarah Homan - April 22 at 11:09 PM



“ Our beautiful Aunt Mary! I will remember your great sense of humor, and your giggle! You are a beautiful soul. Give dad and Uncle Ed a big hug for me. And Uncle Stan, Aunt Stell, Wanda and Jo - the Halas's are all together again! We will miss you dearly! XO

Mary Carol - April 23 at 12:28 AM



“ "Once what we enjoyed,
We can never lose.
All that we love,
Becomes a part of us.
Helen Keller

Theresa
Kujawa Kasperek

Grandaughter of William Krajewski
Daughter of Gertrude Krajewski Kujawa

Theresa Kujawa Kasperek - April 23 at 08:55 AM



“ A son-in-law perspective...

When I think of Mary, several things come to mind – mother-in-law jokes, none which were flattering, and I apologize for those I’ve created over the years; antagonizing her – waking up early to read the paper, making noise only she could hear; eating out of sequence – choosing to have lunch at a restaurant after she prepared one at home. (Oh, how I remember that one!)

There are so many more, and I remember the response from her whenever I broke a Mary rule at her house – “STEPHEN!” And if it were really bad, “STEPHEN PAUL!” I have reflected on those moments, and others as well, and I wish I could have altered some of them. I once remembered writing her an apology letter, thinking truce. There was no truce. She won.

But I have to give credit where credit is due. She was a fantastic organizer and manager of her household. She raised a good family with loving strictness and authority. She loved her church. How befitting it was that she passed on Easter Sunday. It wouldn’t surprise me if that was an item on her bucket list.

Love you Mary.

Oh, by the way, did you hear the one about....

Steve Homan - April 22 at 09:08 PM



“ The best.

Sarah - April 22 at 10:33 PM