

Eileen Schmidt
September 29, 1951 - January 11, 2021

Eileen Marie Schmidt passed away unexpectedly on January 11, 2021 at Riverside Methodist Hospital in Columbus, OH.

Eileen was born in Akron, OH on September 29, 1951. She is joyously reunited in heaven with her dad, Joseph A. Schmidt, who passed away in 1959 when Eileen was only 7.

She is survived by her mother Agnes Schmidt, brothers Bob (Marylou), Jim (Carol), Tom (Debbe), Bill; and "baby" sister Renie Moore; 16 loving nieces and nephews; 26 great nieces and nephews; her best friend Kay Rieve; and Kay's sons Pat and Kyle.

When Eileen was a toddler the family moved to Springfield, OH and became members of St. Teresa Catholic Church. She was a 1969 graduate of Catholic Central High School and a graduate of Miami Jacobs business school. Eileen had a long and successful career at the Ohio State Medical Board where she held the position of Executive Assistant to the Director until her retirement.

While she had no children of her own, her nieces and nephews doted on "Auntie Leenie" and she spoiled them with her unique blend of humor, wit and mischief. She will always be remembered and adored.

Arrangements have been entrusted to SCHOEDINGER DUBLIN who will assist the family as they plan to honor Eileen's life with an eventual celebration.

In lieu of flowers contributions may be made to The American Heart or Diabetes Association.

## Comments



I just learned of Eileen's passing today. Though I will certainly miss her, I have such wonderful memories of the times we spent together.

Eileen and I "met" over the phone, when we were both working in the insurance industry in the late '70s. She happened to mention an actor - Lawrence Pressman commenting that I wouldn't know of him or the film "The Man in the Glass Booth," in which he'd starred.

As soon as she discovered I knew of him AND had seen the film, we became fast friends! At the time, I was also performing in a dinner theatre - 1520 A.D. (later called The King Henry Dinner Theatre) - and hooked her up as a bartender, for which she had to dress and talk as a 16th Century wench! Oh, the wild times we had, not only during the performances, but afterwards, going dancing or to The Rocky Horror Picture show with other cast members!

On one occasion, we sat at the bar at TGI Fridays, adopting the personas of Cecily and Gwendolyn and talking in a British dialect. We kept up the ruse all evening! Ah, youth!

We LOVED to talk about film and theatre! I regret that I was never able to join her on one of her many trips to Stratford, though she would gleefully recount her experiences. It was clear how she so enjoyed sharing those trips with her nieces, nephews, other family members, and friends. .

Eileen and I most recently talked in late December, and we were planning for a film night at her home, when life would return to "normal" and it again would be safe to get together. I've been saving a bottle of wine for that evening...Lawrence Olivier's picture is on the label, which I knew she'd love. So...tonight I'll pop the cork and toast my dear, dear friend,

Cheers, Sweet Eileen!

All my love to you and to your family, Susan

Susan Sheaffer - February 22 at 09:58 PM



66 Dear Bob, Jim, Tom, Bill, and Reenie,

My sister, Ruthellen (Valley) Lough and I spent some fun time today remembering Eileen and all of you and the good times we had when you would come to the farm when we were kids. You all helped us to create some wonderful memories.

Please accept Jim's and my condolences. It is never easy to lose those we love. We are keeping Eileen and all of you safe in our hearts.

Give my love to your mom.

Love and blessings to you all.

Peggy (Valley) and Jim Connolly

Peggy, Jim, & Jenny Connolly - January 14 at 08:18 PM



66 I'm sure I speak for all the Schmidts when I say we are so saddened by the loss of our Auntie Leenie. Today I am remembering late night movies, junk food, sleepovers, swimming at her pool, going to Rocky Horror Picture Show when we turned 13, Professor Twist and other ridiculous poems she had us memorize, decorating her for Christmas, Stratford Shakespeare Festival (hate Shakespeare, but love the company, Carrie!), her "overlooking" a party I threw during a weekend in which my parents were out of town and she was in charge (sorry, mom and dad), champagne on Christmas Eve, Tappan, "I can hear his bones crunching," watching the Exorcist at too young an age (thanks for that, Auntie Leenie -I have yet to recover!), making Christmas ornaments, her love of swans, her liberalism and sense of social justice, Tolkien, catching me and my boyfriend engaged in a compromising position during another weekend in which she was in charge (and, again, not telling mom and dadsorry again, parents!), and most of all, her love and dedication to her family and especially to her nieces and nephews. We will miss you, Auntie Leenie!





Chrisy Schmidt - January 14 at 12:29 AM



**66** Eileen was an absolute delight. I always enjoyed seeing her at class reunions. She had the best smile.

She had a special place in my heart because she was the one who called to tell I had passed my medical boards sparing me a week of torture and worry. I always told her it was nice to have friends in high places! I will truly miss catching up with her at class reunions.

I know she will be missed by her family.

Alice Hale - January 13 at 03:58 PM



I'm so sad to hear that Eileen passed away. She was such a sweet person, always fun to be around. This is her high school graduation photo. I'm so glad she attended our 50th class reunion in 2019. My prayers go out to her family and friends, who will surely miss her.



Donna McLean Young - January 13 at 11:31 AM