



EILEEN JEANNE CITRO

May 13, 1953 - May 17, 2021

Eileen Jeanne (McDermott) Citro, age 68, of Denville, NJ went to be with the Lord on May 17, 2021.

Born on May 13, 1953, in Montclair, NJ, to Patrick Philip and Natalie Elizabeth (Roberts) McDermott. Eileen was raised in the Lake Hiawatha section of Parsippany-Troy Hills, NJ, along with her six sisters and two brothers.

She attended St. Peter the Apostle school, then Parsippany High School where she graduated with the class of 1971. She went on to nursing school at Ann May School of Nursing in Neptune, NJ, completing her RN in 1974, where she began her career at the Jersey Shore Medical Center. During most of her career she worked first at St. Clare's Hospital, Denville, NJ and for the past 20 years she was in the Pediatric ICU at St. Joseph's Medical Center in Paterson, NJ where she cared for many babies, children and teens along with their families as they walked through what for some, was the most difficult time of their lives.

She was a caring and supportive sister and always fun to be with. In her high school years, her love of sports often found her (or heard her) lamenting loudly for her favorite Joe Namath as he was tackled or shriek with joy after an incredible pass and touch down. That excitement for almost all sports would continue for the rest of her life.

She will be remembered for her infectious laugh, abundant generosity, love of gardening, her beautifully wrapped presents, and love for her many birds she nurtured over the years. Eileen was one of the most caring people you could know—a beloved mother, sister, aunt and friend.

She was predeceased by her parents, Patrick Philip and Natalie Elizabeth (Roberts) McDermott; her paternal grandparents, Martin J. and Catherine M. (Tierney) McDermott; her maternal grandparents, Cecil Kennedy and Grace (Wilkins) Roberts; and her sister, Anne Therese "Tracey" Belcastro (2019).

She is survived by son Anthony Citro, siblings (with spouses): Mary “Lynne” McDermott (Gerald) Giambrone, Philip T. (Betsy) McDermott, Maureen G. McDermott, Kathleen M. Eastman, James K. McDermott, Elizabeth “Jane” (Len) Contarino Amy B. Carter and widow of Tracey, Douglas Belcastro. Nieces and nephews, Catherine. Colleen, Amanda, Josiah, Joseph, Rebekah, Natalie, Hannah, Noah, Leneah and seven great nephews.

The Visitation and Funeral Service will be held privately at invitation of the family. If you have any questions, you may contact Lynne at lynne.mcdermott@gmail.com or Kathy at eastwomank@gmail.com.

GoFundMe Page: If you wish to assist the Family of Eileen McDermott Citro at this difficult time, you may contribute at <https://gofund.me/8759a163>. The family thanks you for your kind condolences and your generosity.

Comments



“ Eileen and I were cousin BFF's having been born in the same year! I remember sleepovers listening to "The Sounds of Silence". I remember thinking my Aunt Natalie was Scarlet O'Hara! I remember jealously watching my Aunt Natalie magically wrap all the girls hair around her finger and make ringlets, while she finished all the girls matching Easter dresses. Those were magical years!



Susan McDermott Lorenzo - June 05 at 01:37 PM



“ For many years on Christmas morning where I was scheduled to work the day shift, Eileen, who worked the night shift, always offered to stay a couple of hours for me to spend Christmas morning with my kids. It was so incredibly kind of her to offer that and I will always remember her for that giving spirit.

Kathy Filippini - June 01 at 10:46 PM



“ What a great memory. Thanks for sharing thst with us!

Kathleen - June 08 at 05:00 PM



“ Maureen McDermott lit a candle in memory of EILEEN JEANNE CITRO



Maureen McDermott - May 29 at 04:02 PM



“ A Lovely Nurse. We worked nights together on Pediatrics. She was so kind to those children. As a new nurse myself she was so helpful. So sad to know She is gone.

Cynthia (Cindy) Hople Vanderhoof - June 18 at 07:00 PM



“ Will always remember watching the Jets with Broadway Joe...You taught us the game of football. Your enthusiasm could be heard down the block. All the times you & Tracey practicing your Color Guard routines in the front yard...one of the best squads...say "hi!" to Mr Martin your coach, he's up there too.

I remember your going to a the first Elton John concert here in America. We all listened to that album to no end..."Your Song" we all knew by heart. One of your dances in school, you came home with the song. "Cherish is the Word" I'll always think of you when i hear that song too. So many memories of my beautiful, funny, loving sister, Eileen.

I hope you are in enjoying your "All White Garden" with Tracey, Mom& Dad, Gracie & Cy and all our relatives there in heaven. Forever in my heart my lovely...

Maureen McDermott - May 29 at 01:52 PM