



Eileen Teresa Jirak

July 31, 1934 - July 3, 2025

Eileen Teresa Jirak, 90, of Estero, FL passed peacefully on Thursday, July 3, 2025. Formerly of Cedar Falls, IA, she had been a resident of Fort Myers, Bonita Springs and Estero, FL for the past 35 years. Eileen was born July 31, 1934 in Volga, IA of the late Clarence and Calista (Maher) Zapf.

Mrs. Jirak graduated as a Registered Nurse from Mercy Nursing School in Dubuque, IA where she met and married her roommate's brother, Gordon "Gordy". She later received her BS in Nursing from the University of Northern Iowa. She practiced nursing in Waterloo and Cedar Falls, IA. Eileen moved to Fort Myers with Gordy in 1988 and they were active members at Our Lady of Light Catholic Community and the Saint Vincent De Paul Society. Eileen loved all things Irish, a by-product of her beloved Irish mother. She is remembered for her love of music, prodigious patio plants and an incredible homemade pie.

Survivors include her children, Steven Jirak of Algonquin, IL, Brian (Kathy) Jirak of Charlotte, NC, Denise Jirak Dullum of North Fort Myers, FL, and Deanne (Mike) Metcalf of Milwaukee, WI; 8 grandchildren, 3 great grandchildren and sister Geraldine Hall of Cedar Falls, IA. In addition to her husband Gordon and her parents, she was preceded in death by brother Arthur Zapf and sister Alice Pink.

The Rosary will be prayed prior to the Mass beginning at 10 am. A Mass of

Christian Burial will be held on October 6, 2025 at 10:30am at Our Lady of Light Catholic Community, 19680 Cypress View Drive, Fort Myers, FL 33967. Eileen will be interred alongside Gordy at Sarasota National Cemetery. The services will be live streamed on Facebook at: <https://facebook.com/events/s/mass-of-christian-burial-for-e/1718786322170837/>

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions in Eileen's name may be made to Our Lady of Light for liturgical vessels at the address above.

To sign her guest register or to leave online condolences, please visit www.ShikanyFuneralHome.com.

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Previous Events

Rosary

OCT 6. 10:00 AM (ET)

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