Obituary

Died: Wednesday, November 16, 2016

Dartmouth - Eileen Maureen (Bodzioch) Desroches, 86, passed away Wednesday, November 16, 2016 in the arms of her family. She was the wife of the late Norbert J. Desroches and daughter of the late John and Anna Bodzioch.

Eileen graduated from New Bedford High School and Nasson College in Springvale, ME with a degree in Foods and Nutrition. She worked as a dietician at Fall River General Hospital and later worked as a home economics teacher at Normandin Junior High School for 22 years until her retirement.

Eileen's life centered around her love of Jesus, family and friends. She enjoyed cooking and caring for people in need. One of her greatest joys was passing on her Polish heritage to her children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren. She, along with her husband, went on various mission trips both domestically and abroad. Eileen was an accomplished pianist and served in the music ministry at her church for many years.

She is survived by four children, Carol Ann Prefontaine and her husband, Roger of New Bedford, Robert Desroches and his wife, Donna of Acushnet, Cheryl Levesque and her husband, Stephen of Fairhaven, and Michelle Lang and her husband, David of Acushnet. She is also survived by 12 grandchildren, 14 great grandchildren: Justine Bedoc (George) and their children, Drew and Kenna; Danielle Renzo (Richard) and their children, Tessa and Isabella; Holly Plunkett (David) and their child, Benjamin; Ryan Desroches (Melissa) and their children, Charlotte and Emmella; Daniel Desroches (Sarah) and their children, Aubrey, Norah and Hudson; Jessica Ruiru (Jonathan) and their child, Elliana; Breanna Eileen Tyson (Adam) and their children, Claire Eileen and Amelia; Autumn Makowski (Paul) and their expectant daughter, Elizabeth Levesque; and Nichole Lang, Zachary Lang, and Joseph Lang; and many nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by a brother, Alvin Bodzioch.

Calling hours will be Saturday, November 19th at 9:30 A.M. with a Funeral Service following at 11 A.M. at the First Church of the Nazarene, 764 Hathaway Rd., New Bedford, MA. Burial will be private. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the charity of one's choice.

The family would like to thank Suzanne Walsh, Eileen's "adopted daughter", Alda Vital, the staff at Compassionate Care Hospice and the staff at Autumn Glen Assisted Living Facility for all the love and kindness they have shown to our mother.

Arrangements are with Machnowski Funeral Home, 472 Ashley Blvd., New Bedford. For complete obituary and condolences, please visit www.machnowskifuneral.com.

Eileen Maureen, "the Polish Queen", our memories of you will be treasured always. Love never ends.