



Elizabeth Stanton Colleran

April 9, 1928 - November 26, 2021

Elizabeth Stanton Colleran passed away peacefully on November 26, 2021 at Evergreen Woods Retirement Home in Branford, CT. She was predeceased by her father, Thomas Edward Stanton and her mother, Elizabeth Doerlier Stanton, brother Paul Stanton, and husband Patrick J. Colleran. She is survived by cousins Beverly Coholan Crowley of Billerica, MA, Sandra Coholan Lombardi of Tewksbury, MA and Ronald Coholan of Methuen, MA. She is also survived by the Colleran Family, including sisters-in-law Catherine, Margaret and Winifred, a brother-in-law John Colleran, eleven nieces and nephews and many grandnieces and nephews. She is further survived by her lifelong friend Florence Reisner and her daughter Kerry Reisner, and her close friends Karen Downing and Nicki Dakis. Elizabeth was born on April 9, 1928 in the New Haven Hospital. She graduated from Hillhouse High School and then went on to graduate from the College of New Rochelle located in New Rochelle, NY. She subsequently obtained a Master's Degree from Southern Connecticut State University and then her six year certification as a teacher. She taught English at Amity Regional Junior High School in New Haven for over 30 years until she retired. She was a very popular teacher and many of her students stayed in touch with her long after graduation. She has already set up the Elizabeth Stanton English Prize which is awarded annually to a student at that school. She and her husband, Patrick lived in Westville near the Yale Bowl for many years until his death. She subsequently moved to Evergreen Woods Retirement Home in Branford where she continued living

until her death. She was a very religious member of the Catholic Faith and was active member of St. Aedan Parish, St. Thomas More Chapel, and St. John Bosco Parish in Branford. After Patrick's death, the close relationship with the Colleran Family continued especially during all the holidays and Aunt Betty was beloved by her nieces, nephews, grandnieces and grandnephews who enjoyed being with her at those and other times. She spent a great deal of time studying and traveling in France and had many friends there. Betty found great pleasure in reading and spent many hours enjoying good literature including many books related to her career teaching English. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at St. John Bosco Parish (St. Mary's Church) at 731 Main St. in Branford on Wednesday at 11 a.m. Visitation will be Wednesday from 9 - 10 a.m. in Sisk Brothers Funeral Home 3105 Whitney Ave. Hamden. Burial in St. Lawrence Cemetery. In lieu of flowers contributions may be made to the St. Thomas More Memorial Fund, 268 Park St. New Haven, CT 06511. To leave an online condolence please visit www.siskbrothers.com

Previous Events

Calling hours

DEC 1. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (ET)

Sisk Brothers Funeral Home
3105 Whitney Ave.
Hamden, CT 06518
(203) 288-7114
siskfuneral@sbcglobal.net

Funeral service

DEC 1. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Mary Church
Main St.
Branford, CT

Tribute Wall



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Elizabeth Stanton Colleran.*

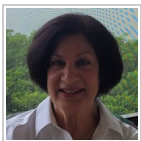


November 29, 2021 at 10:45 AM



“ *Mrs. Colleran's stately and stunning stature made an indelible impression upon me when she was my 7th grade English teacher at Amity Jr High. Her teaching skill and gracious poise made leaning fun and easy! While taking a walk in Westville we saw and immediately recognized each other. She had told me she recently sold her home and of her plans to move, we shared memories, and now, may her memory be eternal*❤️

Penelope Mitchell - November 29, 2021 at 08:57 AM



“ *Miss Stanton was my 7th grade English teacher at Amity. She was a great teacher. My condolences to her family and friends.*

Karen Kerames - November 29, 2021 at 08:48 AM

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“ She took with with her to Morey's. When she realized I was part of the first all-female group to sing there, we went to look for the table in which my name was inscribed. She believed in me. She wrote one of the letters that I believe got me into Northfield Mt. Hermon. She came to my ordination service at the Orange Congregational Church and welcomed me to her home many times. She and Patrick delighted in meeting my son. I can safely say he was the love of her life. She believed in me before I could believe in myself and championed me in significant ways. I sent her a letter/tribute on Friday, not knowing she was passing at the time. So very, very grateful for her and all that she "gave"/called forth in me.

Claire Bamberg - November 28, 2021 at 09:05 PM

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“ My sincere condolences to the Colleran family. Elizabeth Stanton Colleran Was my home room teacher in 7th grade. She was exceedingly kind to me during a rough period in my life when I was dealing with several difficult issues and I remember her fondly.

sheldon rapoport - November 28, 2021 at 04:10 PM

BJ

My sympathies to Elizabeth's family. She was my teacher and then a colleague at Amity. Tough but fair as an educator, always inspiring her students and Colleagues. A true professional and caring individual .

Becca Jacobs - November 28, 2021 at 09:39 PM