



Mary Jane Kennedy

December 8, 1928 - November 9, 2014

Mary Jane Kennedy, 85, of 150 Cook Hill Road, died Sunday November 9, 2014 in the Elim Park Health Center, Cheshire. Mary Jane was born December 8, 1928 at St. Francis Hospital in Poughkeepsie, New York. She was the daughter of Edward Vincent Kennedy and Margaret Darrow Kennedy. She attended St. Mary's Elementary school in Poughkeepsie and the Mount St. Mary Academy in Newburgh, New York. She went to Nursing School at St. Francis Hospital in Poughkeepsie and received a Nursing Degree from Catholic University in Washington, DC. She also earned a Master's Degree in Nursing from the Yale School of Nursing in New Haven..

Mary Jane taught nursing at St. Vincent's Hospital in Bridgeport, Ct for three years and at Hartford Hospital for seven years. She also taught nursing at the University of Connecticut School of Nursing at Yale New Haven Hospital. She joined the Yale Health Plan as the Director of Nursing where she remained until her retirement.

Mary Jane was an active member of the Church of St. Mary in New Haven where she served as a Trustee, was a member of the Parish Council, and sang in the Choir. She was loved and admired by all who knew her.

She was predeceased by her parents and her sister, Sister Margaret Vincent Kennedy O.P. She is survived by several cousins, four Godchildren, and many friends.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be Celebrated Friday at 10 a.m. in St. Mary's Church, 5 Hillhouse Ave. New Haven. Visitation will be at the church from 9

a.m. until time of Mass. Burial will be Saturday in Calvary Cemetery at 12:00 p.m. in Poughkeepsie, NY. In lieu of flowers contributions to the Dominican Foundation, 141 E 65th St., New York, NY 10065. Sisk Brothers Funeral Home 3105 Whitney Ave. Hamden in care of arrangements. To leave an online condolence please visit www.siskbrothers.com

Cemetery Details

Calvary Cemetery

Poughkeepsie, NY

Previous Events

Calling hours

NOV 14. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Mary's Church
5 Hillhouse Ave.
New Haven, CT

Funeral service

NOV 14. 10:00 AM (ET)

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New Haven, CT

Tribute Wall

KH

“ *Mary Jane was a wonderful, smart and loving lady with a great sense of humor. It was an honoring knowing her and I will miss her but know that she is living in the Holy Kingdom.*

Kim Hall

Kim Hall - November 15, 2014 at 04:13 PM

MH

“ *Very sad to learn of the death of Mary Jane. She was an inspiration to all at Yale Health. Those of us who had the privilege of starting our careers at Yale Health as young inexperienced folks were fortunate to have Mary Jane as a mentor, friend or just there to share a laugh, listen and console during difficult times and of course to remind us to call on and rely on our faith, no matter what you believed in.*



She was a wonderful Christian who lived everyday setting an example for us all on how to respect and love one and all.

May she find peace as she is now reunited in Heaven with her sister Margaret with God in Heaven.

Margaret McGovern Hionis

Margaret McGovern Hionis - November 13, 2014 at 08:26 AM

JD

“ *Mary Jane was a wonderful nurse and a lovely person. It was my pleasure to work with her for many years at Yale Health. May she rest peacefully. Jo Ann DellaValle*



Jo Ann DellaValle - November 11, 2014 at 03:36 PM

JM

“ *Mary Jane was one of kind, and she was VERY kind; I was fortunate to have been one of the " new young doctors" who worked with her starting in 1988 and she was always very dedicated to her patients, her work duties and her colleagues, and her Sister Margaret. Mary Jane was almost like a person from another era: simple needs of her own, never drew attention to herself, but kept the focus on what needed to be done and on doing it exactly right. And she had a warm smile and a gentle sense of humor too. I feel very fortunate to have been her professional colleague at Yale Health and also her friend.*
Jim Perlotto, M.D.

James M. Perlotto, M.D. - November 11, 2014 at 02:40 PM

SB

“ *To the Family Of Mary Jane Kennedy...I am so very sorry for your loss...I worked with Mary Jane her entire Yale Health Plan career...She was a caring & compassionate nurse..I am truly blessed to have known her...She is now with Sr.Margaret...May she rest in peace...Fondly, Sandie Beatificato*

Sandie Beatificato - November 11, 2014 at 12:54 PM