



Maryanne Gatavaski

January 4, 1954 - April 29, 2009

Maryanne "Mandy" Gatavaski, beloved wife of Edward J. Gatavaski Jr. of Russell St., New Haven, entered into eternal rest Wednesday April 29, 2009.. Born Jan. 4, 1954 in New Haven a daughter of Martin and Claire Shea Garvey, she was a graduate of Hamden High School and had been employed as an aquatic instructor at the Orange Community Pool and the West Haven High School. Besides her husband and parents she is survived by her loving children, Kelly DePalma and Ian Gatavaski, her three brothers, Marty, Bill and Justin Garvey, nephews Martin Jr. and Michael Gatavaski and Jack and James Garvey and nieces Elizabeth and Marika Garvey of whom she was a favorite aunt. Also survived by her mother in law, Helen Gatavaski. Mandy was predeceased by her father in law Edward J. Gatavaski Sr. and brother in law Martin Gatavaski. Funeral from SISK BROTHERS FUNERAL HOME 3105 WHITNEY AVE., HAMDEN, MONDAY afternoon at 12:30. Mass of Christian Burial in St. Marys Church, 5 1 Ave., New Haven at 1:00. Interment will be private. Friends may call SUNDAY from 3 - 7 pm and MONDAY from 11:30am - 12:30 pm. Memorial contributions may be made to Goodwill, 95 Hamilton St., New Haven, CT 06511.

Tribute Wall

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“ To Mandy's family & friends - We have just learned of Mandy's passing as I signed my daughter up for summer swim classes. Her patient instruction & warm laughter have been invaluable in our quest for teaching our daughters to not fear the water and to learn how to swim. She went above & beyond on more than one occassion and for this we are truly grateful. You will be missed, Mandy - but we know that you are in a beautiful place and that you are no longer in pain. God Bless.

The Parente Family - June 08, 2009 at 05:16 PM

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“ God saw you getting tired, and a cure was not to be, so he put his arms around you and whispered, “Come to Me.”
With tearful eyes we watched you, and saw you pass away.
Although we loved you dearly, we could not make you stay.
A golden heart stops beating, hard working hands at rest. God broke our hearts to prove to us, he only takes the best.”
Author unknown

The Harvey Family - May 04, 2009 at 06:47 PM

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“ To Ian and family, we are so very sorry to learn of your loss. Nick remembers your mother very fondly from your high school days together. We are thinking of you, and wish you well at this most sad time. Sincerely, The Roses

The Rose family - May 04, 2009 at 11:02 AM

HE

“ Mandy, while your eternal life will be in Heaven, you gave the gift of life to so many that you will live forever on this Earth as the person who taught so many to swim.
You also gave me gifts that only you and I will ever know and for this I will always love you.
I wish you could tell us now whether Angels can swim with wings.

Helen - May 03, 2009 at 08:19 PM

PG

“ Our deepest sympathies to the Gatkowski and Garvey families.
Paul Gilfillan and Stephanie Critch

Paul Gilfillan - May 03, 2009 at 08:53 AM

NG

“ To Mandy's entire "Family", I am deeply sorry and sad to hear of her passing..She had that wonderful smile and laugh that I'll always remember. I will never forget her kindness. Until we meet again my dear friend..

Nickie Galli - May 02, 2009 at 07:29 PM

ME

“ My prayers are with you all

Mimi Elmer - May 01, 2009 at 10:21 PM

PK

“ Dear Ed and family,
I am so sorry to hear of your loss. Your family at Walsh opens their arms to you on your return to us. You are in my thoughts and prayers.

Pat Kisil - May 01, 2009 at 08:06 PM