

Judith A. Mendelsohn 1932-2007

Judith Anne Mendelsohn, 75, Caseville, formerly of Southfield, died Tuesday, Dec. 4, 2007 while under hospice care at the Bloomfield Hills home of her son James. Judy, as she was known to family and friends, twice fought courageously against cancer.

She was born Sept. 6, 1932 in Newark, New Jersey, to the late Joseph and Mary Ann (Kubot) Moore.

She married the father of her three sons Peter Cristiano, Sr., on June 19, 1954 at Corpus Christi Church, Dayton, Ohio. She married Sam Mendelsohn Aug. 2, 1981 in West Bloomfield. He died March 23, 1986.

Judy, a nurse, worked, throughout her medical career, for several physicians in the metropolitan Detroit area. She retired from the Detroit medical center in 1995.

After summering with her family in Caseville for many years, following her retirement, Judy and son Christopher Cristiano, became permanent residents of the community. She then became owner of Port Elizabeth Marina and Yacht Club, Caseville.

Always wanting to contribute to the betterment of Caseville, Judy served as a member of the Caseville Village Council. She was an active supporter of village events and promotional efforts.

She was a member of the Fraternal Order of the Eagles, Aerie 3690, Caseville.

Judy was a devout member of St. Roch Catholic Church and lovingly devoted countless hours serving her parish through the Knights of Columbus Council #8042 ladies Auxiliary, Pigeon, and her work as St. Roch's Christian Service Director. Her faith sustained her throughout her life.

She also served her community as a member of the Scheurer Hospital Auxiliary, Pigeon, and was appreciative of the care received by its medical staff.

She loved so many and gave herself and personal resources so freely. There are many who will never know that they have benefited from her generosity; that was her way. Everyone who knew and loved her will feel this loss, but are thankful she is now at peace and in the arms of the God she loved.

She is with Him now and surely will be asking Him to help those she has left behind.

Judy is survived by her sons Peter Jr. (Joan) Cristiano, South Lyon; Christopher Cristiano, Caseville and James (Kevin) Cristbrook, Bloomfield Hills; grandchildren Lindsey and Tony Cristiano and Aidan Cristbrook.

A Catholic funeral service was held on Saturday, Dec. 8, 2007 at the Desmond, A.J. & Sons Funeral Home, Royal Oak. Cremation has taken place.

Remembrance donations can be made to Beaumont Hospice, 1200 Stephenson Highway, Troy, MI 48083.

Additionally, per Judy's request, on Saturday, May 24, 2008, 10 a.m., a Memorial mass will be co-celebrated for her at St. Roch Catholic Church, Caseville by its pastor Rev. Kenneth Yaroch and Rev. Dennis Kucharczyk, pastor of Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Caro. A special memorial and luncheon will follow at Port Elizabeth Marina and Yacht Club.

Those wishing to express condolences can send them to: The family of Judy Mendelsohn, 615 Yarboro Drive, Bloomfield Hills, MI 48304 or express them at;

<http://www.vermeulenfuneralhome.com/a/obituaries.htm>

