



Margaret Ann Rooney

August 6, 1932 - December 11, 2024

Margaret A. Rooney (McCollow)

“Peggy”

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We know Peggy is dancing in heaven, reunited with the love of her life, Ralph “Mickey” Rooney.

Peggy passed away peacefully at the age of 92 on December 11, 2024.

She is preceded in death by her beloved husband, Mickey, and survived by cherished children: Cheryl (Bud) Samuelson, Suzette (Tim) Smith, Ann Rooney, Mary Rooney, Elizabeth Rooney, Ralph (Dawn Kane) Rooney, and Theresa (Michael) Etnier. Peggy was the proud matriarch of a large family, leaving behind 23 grandchildren and 7 great-grandchildren, as well as her dear brothers, Patrick and Jack McCollow.

Proud of her Irish heritage, Peggy loved to share that she was 100% Irish! She embodied Irish charm, quick wit, and a love for laughter. Known for her generous heart, she was always ready to lend a hand, share a warm chocolate chip cookie, or offer a listening ear. Her home was a sanctuary of kindness and good conversation for all who entered.

Deeply rooted in her catholic faith, Peggy was a prayer warrior and the rock of

her family. While Mickey shined in the limelight, Peggy was the strong, steady woman behind the great man. Her faith and unconditional love guided her family and inspired everyone who knew her.

The family extends their heartfelt thanks to all who supported Peggy during her journey with Alzheimer's, especially the compassionate care teams at River Village Catholic Memory-care and Our Lady of Peace hospice.

A celebration of Peggy's life will take place on Thursday, December 19, 2024, at Immaculate Conception Church. Visitation will begin at 10:00 a.m., followed by a Mass of Christian Burial at 11:00 a.m., with a luncheon to follow.

Peggy's memory will forever be cherished by all who knew and loved her. In lieu of flowers, memorials are preferred to our Lady of Peace Hospice or donors charity of choice.

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 19. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Immaculate Conception Catholic Church
4030 Jackson Street Northeast
Columbia Heights, MN 55421

Mass of Christian Burial

DEC 19. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

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Graveside Service

DEC 20. 10:45 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Fort Snelling National Cemetery
7601 34th Avenue South
Minneapolis, MN 55450

Tribute Wall

TB

“ *The Dove Youth Development Board purchased the Pink Potpourri Bouquet for the family of Margaret Ann Rooney.*



The Dove Youth Development Board - December 17, 2024 at 06:21 PM

TS

“ *The Squier Sisters planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Margaret Ann Rooney.*

The Squier Sisters - December 17, 2024 at 12:09 PM

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“ *The Squier Sisters purchased the Fairest of All for the family of Margaret Ann Rooney.*



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BS

“ *Bless and Peace - Alan & Lisa Strohbehn planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Margaret Ann Rooney.*

Bless and Peace - Alan & Lisa Strohbehn - December 17, 2024 at 09:04 AM

BS

“ *Bless and Peace - Alan & Lisa Strohbehn purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Margaret Ann Rooney.*



Bless and Peace - Alan & Lisa Strohbehn - December 17, 2024 at 09:04 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Margaret Ann Rooney.

December 16, 2024 at 01:18 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Margaret Ann Rooney.*



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“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Margaret Ann Rooney.*



December 16, 2024 at 10:58 AM

DK

“ My deepest condolences to the Rooney s , my childhood neighbors on Tyler street. We played together daily and I spent many days at your house where I was always welcomed . Peggy was so sweet , she treated me like family , always had treats on hand too . As I got older , I had the privilege of being her hairdresser . She was very dedicated to her faith , family and community . I am blessed to have such fond memories of her and fun days spent with you all !
Diane (Godin) Kolodzienski

Diane Kolodzienski - December 15, 2024 at 09:45 PM

CD

“ Peggy always seemed to me as a very reserved and calming person. Throughout the years of family reunions, she always was in a good mood, having to deal with in-laws can always be a challenge. She will be missed.

CHUCK DUKOWITZ - December 15, 2024 at 11:54 AM

PS

“ It was a lovely Sunday afternoon. I was with Mary and we decided to go visit Peggy and Mickey. Knowing Mary for many years, this day was the first time meeting her parents. I had my perfect little angel dog with me to introduce to Peggy and Mickey. On the way over I kept telling Mary I can take Sofi a

peggy sellwood - December 14, 2024 at 08:59 PM