



Irene Catherine Dillon

February 28, 1932 - April 6, 2016

Irene Catherine Dillon, passed away peacefully at her home surrounded by her loving children and husband, Wednesday, April 6, 2016. She was born February 28th, 1932 in Noble County, a daughter of the late Earl and Theresa (Crum) Huffman.

Irene graduated from Dexter High School before moving to the Zanesville area where she met her husband of 62 years, Richard E. Dillon. It is here where she raised her children and touched the lives of many. A woman of strong faith, Irene believed in reaching out to help others, with her kindness and loving generosity.

Irene retired from the General Electric Company in 1982 after 28 years of service. She was a faithful member of Saint Nicholas Catholic Church. Over the years she belonged to various organizations including the Daughters of Isabella, the Rosecrans Boosters, and the Women's Auxiliary of the V.F.W. Her greatest joy in life was spending time with her family and friends. She loved attending her children and grandchildren's activities and sporting events. A wonderful mother and cook, her Sunday dinners and warm hospitality were enjoyed by many over the years.

In addition to her husband, she is survived by four children: Jack (Sue Palmer) Dillon, Marianne (Loren) Bates, Shirley (Dan) Knox, and Steve (Judy Tolley)

Dillon. She was dearly loved by her grandchildren: Matt, Brad, and Trent (Jamie) Dillon, Ryan (Jodie) Bates, Andrea (Jon) Arnold, Kolby and Stephen Knox, Katie (Ryan) LaFleur, and Jordan Dillon. She was blessed with six great-grandchildren: Aubree Bates, Harper and Piper Dillon, Graham and Ava Irene Arnold, Finley LaFleur, and one great-grandchild on the way. Irene has one sister, Ruth Ann (Kenny) Sager of Chevy Chase, MD; two aunts, Pauline Robey and Mary Crum both of Caldwell, OH; a special "granddaughter", Karly Bruns; and special friends, Trent (Cheryl) Ankrum. She was a beloved sister-in-law and very special aunt to her many nieces and nephews. Irene had many wonderful friends and neighbors that were very dear to her heart, including the Herron's, Wolfe's, and Turner/Swope's.

In addition to her parents; Irene was preceded in death by one brother, Ralph (Donna) Huffman; and a stepfather, Hillary Sailing.

The family will receive friends from 4:00 to 8:00 p.m., Sunday, April 10, 2016 at the Hillis, Combs & Nestor Funeral Home, 935 Forest Avenue, where a Christian Vigil will be held at 7:45 PM. Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10:30 a.m. Monday, April 11, 2016 at St. Nicholas Catholic Church, 925 East Main Street, Zanesville with Fr. Martin Ralko as celebrant. Burial will follow in Memorial Park Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to Genesis Hospice & Palliative Care, 713 Forest Avenue, Zanesville, Ohio 43701 or American Cancer Society, Central Ohio Chapter, 5555 Frantz Road, Dublin, OH 43017 in Irene's name.

Cemetery Details

Zanesville Memorial Park

1475 Military Road
Zanesville, OH 43701

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 10. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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Prayer Vigil

APR 10. 7:45 PM (ET)

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Mass of Christian Burial

APR **11**. 10:30 AM (ET)

Saint Nicholas Catholic Church
955 East Main Street
Zanesville, OH 43701

Tribute Wall



“ *Hillis Combs Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Irene Catherine Dillon*



Hillis Combs Funeral Home - April 08, 2016 at 11:00 AM

CA

Beautiful tribute to a wonderful lady.

Cheryl and Trent Ankrum - April 08, 2016 at 05:44 PM



Such a beautiful person and such a wonderful life! She was loved by so many!

Lindsay Winer - April 09, 2016 at 12:07 PM



“ *Irene Catherine Dillon*

October 06, 2023 at 04:22 AM

BB

“ On behalf of my parents, Ethel and John Schoeppner, sending along deepest sympathy for your great loss. My parents were saddened to read of Irene's passing. They shared many wonderful memories of Irene with me and asked me to express their condolences to her entire family. The memories were of many years past, but as mom spoke of Irene I could feel the warmth and love of a meaningful wonderful friendship. Irene was a very special and dear woman. She will always be remembered. Prayers will be with all of you.

Barbara Schoeppner Binegar, daughter of Ethel and John

Barbara Binegar - April 14, 2016 at 02:28 PM

JA

“ Irene Good Night... Irene Good Night.. Good Night Irene... Good Night Irene.. We'll see you in our dreams! Love to you all!

Janie - April 10, 2016 at 09:54 AM

KS

“ Marianne and the entire Dillon Family,
Please accept my deepest sympathy in the loss of your Mom. She was indeed a very special lady, always with a smile. Wishing you peace to bring comfort, courage to face the days ahead and loving memories to forever hold in your hearts. Listen closely and you will hear her around you when you need her most. Feel her in the gentle winds that blow. She will always and forever be in your heart. Know that you are in my thoughts and prayers.
Kathy Schiele Soller

Kathy Soller - April 09, 2016 at 08:13 PM



“ Gift of Grace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Irene Catherine Dillon.



April 09, 2016 at 12:03 PM



“ Serenity Wreath was purchased for the family of Irene Catherine Dillon.



April 08, 2016 at 12:08 PM



“ Dearest Sister,

So saddened by your passing. Irene always had a smile on her face and dearly loved by her amazing family. She was loved by everyone whom she knew. Her children meant the world to her. You will be greatly missed by all that knew and loved you.



My prayers will continue as I ask God to bless you always!!

Love and prayers!!

Ruth Ann

Ruth Ann - April 08, 2016 at 10:52 AM



“ 170 files added to the album *LifeTributes*



Hillis Combs Funeral Home - April 08, 2016 at 10:22 AM

JC

“ *Aunt Irene.....the wonderful welcoming smile, the happy light of welcome that shone in her eyes, the example of a good life lived well.....She will be sorely missed.*

Julie Dowell Carr - April 08, 2016 at 08:06 AM