



Eileen Kelly

October 21, 2023

Eileen Kelly nee Goodwin, age 94, of Oradell, NJ, formerly of Castlegregory, County Kerry, Ireland was called to the Lord on October 21, 2023. She was born on June 12, 1929 to Patrick and Mary Goodwin. Beloved wife of the late Joseph Kelly (died 1985). Devoted mother of William (Nuala), Joseph (Gina) and Colin (Maureen). Loving grandmother of Liam, Kieran & Ryan (William & Nuala), Timothy (Colin & Maureen) and Conor Kelly (Joseph & Gina). She is also survived by her sister Catherine (Kay) Comack and brother Bob and many devoted nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by eight other siblings: Frances, Thomas, Michael, Paul, Nora, Patrick, Maryann, and Margaret (Peggy).

Growing up on a farm in Ireland that abutted the shore line in Kerry, Eileen gained a strong work ethic. Eileen emigrated to America at age 19 and proudly became a naturalized citizen in 1955. When she first arrived in New York, she worked as a nanny in Manhattan and then as a telephone operator for AT&T before marrying her husband Joseph and raising their three sons. She had a second career in retail department stores when her sons were older.

For decades, Eileen was an avid exerciser with a particular love of long walks in Van Suyen Park throughout the year. Among her favorite past times were seeing family, particularly her beloved nieces, Irene, Susan and Claire, and

their families, doing her gardening and playing with her grand dogs. Indisputably, her greatest joy was being a grandmother. She loved babysitting, spoiling, and playing with her five grandsons (ages 7-23). She was an intricate part of their younger years and always very generous with them all.

Visitation and services will be private for immediate family at Volk Leber Funeral Home, 789 Teaneck Road, Teaneck, NJ on Wednesday, October 25 at 10:00 a.m. Interment to follow at Hackensack Cemetery, 289 Hackensack Ave., Hackensack, New Jersey.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Tunnel To Towers Foundation (<https://t2t.org/donate/>)

Cemetery Details

Hackensack Cemetery

289 Hackensack Avenue
Hackensack, NJ 07601

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **25**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Teaneck
789 Teaneck Road
Teaneck, NJ 07666
(201) 836-0202
info@volkleber.com
<https://www.volkleber.com>

Closing Prayers

OCT **25**. 10:45 AM (ET)

Volk Leber Funeral Home
789 Teaneck Road
Teaneck, NJ 07666
info@volkleber.com
<http://www.volkleber.com>

Committal Service

OCT **25**. 11:30 AM (ET)

Hackensack Cemetery
289 Hackensack Avenue
Hackensack, NJ 07601