

When Irish eyes are smiling
Sure, 'tis like the morn in Spring
In the lilt of Irish laughter
You can hear the angels sing
When Irish hearts are happy
All the world seems bright and gay
And when Irish eyes are smiling
Sure, they steal your heart away
For your smile is a part
Of the love in your heart
A-nd it makes even sunshine more bright



Jacqueline Doris O'Donoghue

October 29, 1929 - December 9, 2019

acqueline Doris LaPrairie O'Donoghue passed away in her sleep, in Calgary, on December 9, 2019. She was predeceased by her husband of 56 years, Joseph Patrick Michael O'Donoghue (2008), her son Kevin, her grandson Kyle, her brothers Jules, Carl, Paul, Leon and Richard, and her sister Rosemary. Jacqueline was a mother to Maureen (Dwayne Grant), Colleen (Barrie Marsh), Michael, Patrick (Gail), Daniel (Debbie), Brian, Kevin, Joseph (Linda), Sean (Christina Stupka), Shannon (Greg Child), Sylvie Boivin, Cathy O'Donoghue, Rami Schandall and Kate Dembinski. Grandmother to Meghan, Courtenay and Kelly Grant; Andrew and Kaitlyn Marsh; Kate, Shane and Kevin; Kilian and Marie-Claire; Scott, Kyle, Mitch and Stacey; Brynn and Declan; Jacob, Jessie and Sephina; and Ariann Child. Great Grandmother (GG) to Kieran and Katie, Adelita and Leighton, Haley and Madison. She is also survived by her brothers George and Clifford LaPrairie.

Born October 29, 1929 in Timmins, Ontario, Jacqueline was the seventh of nine children of Beatrice and Adolphe 'LaP' LaPrairie. The LaPrairie family moved to Toronto in 1934, where Jacqueline lived until she married Joseph O'Donoghue in 1951. After living in St. Catherines, Kenogami, Montreal, Toronto, Edmonton and Vancouver, Jacqueline and Joe moved to Calgary in 1969. Words cannot describe how much we will miss her, or the positive influence she had on so many. She loved connecting with others: whether hosting large family gatherings, or dinner parties with friends, during her walks through the neighbourhood, at the pool multiple times per week, or just chatting with strangers at the grocery store. She was favourite 'Aunt Jack' to many nieces and nephews, beloved 'Mrs. O'D' to her kids' friends and neighbours, and 'Mother Superior' to numerous new acquaintances. She loved the adventure in travel, and even in recent years made trips to Toronto, NYC, England, France, Haida Gwaii, the American SW and the West Coast. Her eyes sparkled even in her final days, and she was content to be surrounded by the family she treasured so much. Jacqueline never had a complaint to make and found the beauty in the small moments. Her smile will forever be remembered by many.

Funeral Mass

St. Gerard's Catholic Church Saturday, January 4, 2020 at 11:00am

Presider

The Rev. Ignatius Tran

Readings

Ecclesiastes 3:1-11a 2 Timothy 4:6-8

Gospel Reading Matthew 5:1-12a

Musical Selections
St. Gerard's Funeral Choir

Reception

Immediately following the Funeral Mass, relatives and friends are invited to meet with the family in the Father Flanagan Hall.

Eternal rest grant unto your servant Jacqueline, O Lord, and let eternal light shine upon her.