

## **McCloskey, Patricia Marie Cullen**

Patricia Marie Cullen McCloskey; aka Trish M. & Mrs. Mac, 67 of Lansdale, beloved wife, mother, Mom-Mom, sister, aunt & friend went home to be with Her Savior on Monday 5/9/2017 at 6:55pm.

She was the matriarch of our large Irish family, “the glue that held us all together”. She made sure that each person she encountered felt loved with her infectious smile, kind words & encouragement along with her infamous hugs!

Trish was preceded in death by her brother, Christopher Cullen, & parents Edward & Kathryn (Leahy) Cullen & Mother-in-law Caroline McCloskey. She is survived by her husband, William J. McCloskey III, & children, Shane M. McCloskey & Liisa Korpela, Erin & Tony Steele, grandchildren Mary Roman, Caleb Steele, Lilja Korpela McCloskey, & Leah Steele; her siblings Michael J. Cullen (Marlene), Dennis J. Cullen (Jane), Mary M. Landis (David), Kathleen M. Cullen, Sheila C. Kelly (Robert), Brigid C. Hillman (Robert), Aileen C. Schlott (Robert McLane), Deirdre C. Rota (Pat), Maura C. Burke (Raymond) and Sean P. Cullen (Amy); many, many, many, Nieces & Nephews & beloved Friends.

Trish was a lifelong resident of Montgomery County & a lover of Education. She started her education at St. Anthony’s of Ambler & attended Lansdale Catholic, Montgomery County Community College & graduated from Gwynedd Mercy College with a BA in Education. She began giving back as a teacher at Saint Alfansous in Maple Glen & gave up teaching to become a Mother.

Her body has been donated to a local Medical School & she will become a teacher once again as she helps advance medical education. She also will be giving someone the gift of sight through Gift of Life. Driven by her Servant Heart, she mentored countless others in all phases of her life.

She touched people as a Vista Volunteer, a Den Mother, Girl Scout Leader, the Wife of a Scout Master of Troop 178 & Mother of an Eagle Scout, a sponsor & supported scads of 12 Steppers.

A part of the soul lives in the rooms at her beloved Church of Messiah which was her Sanctuary, her Village & her Home for 27 years.

A Celebration of Life will be on Saturday, May 13, 2017 at The Church of the Messiah, 1001 DeKalb Pike, Lower Gwynedd Township, PA, 19002. The family will be receiving guests beginning at 10:30am. A Eucharistic Service will begin promptly at 12:30 pm.

In lieu of flowers, Memorials on her behalf may be sent to: Trish McCloskey Memorial Fund c/o Church of the Messiah 1001 DeKalb Pike Lower Gwynedd, PA 19002.

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