



## SIMMONS, Margaret Mary "Eileen"

Margaret Mary "Eileen" Simmons (née Healey) passed away peacefully on April 16, 2021 at Hillsdale Estates, Oshawa in her 98<sup>th</sup> year. Born October 24, 1923 in Stoco, Ontario, Eileen was predeceased by her parents, Dennis and Myrtle Healey (née Killoran), her husband Thomas, sons Patrick and Matthew, and brother Gerald. Eileen, aka "St. Eileen" to her children, leaves behind her beloved daughters, Joanne Stycuk (Peter), Margaret and Ellen Simmons. She was the much-adored Nana to Tim (Juli), Kathy (Scott), Alison (Scott), Peter Michael (Stephanie), Jonathan (Samantha), Stefan (Catherine), Mark and Luke and Great Nana to Nataley, Mya, Canyon, Faith, Ryerson, Leighton, Holly, Charlotte and Madelyn Eileen. She will be missed by many nieces and nephews and sister-in-law, Mary Healey. After a life devoted to family, Eileen eventually found time for things she enjoyed and which kept her mind active. A graduate of the secretarial program at O'Neill Collegiate in Oshawa, Eileen's interests often focused on the written word, which included her own award-winning penmanship. She took to solving crossword puzzles at age 75 and developed her own crossword dictionary which honed her Scrabble skills. That gave way to word search books. More recently playing (and winning) bingo was a favourite pastime with her daughters. Eileen was a loyal friend, a cheerful and pleasant personality, until you got her 'Irish up'. Small in stature, she was a giant of generosity to all who crossed her path. The family wishes to acknowledge the compassionate care provided by Hillsdale Estates - Strawberry Fields home area staff, especially Eileen's special angels. We salute your unsung work in our underfunded public long-term care system. A lifelong member of St. Gregory the Great parish, Eileen's dignity, deep faith and fidelity to family and friends are among the gifts she leaves us.

With heavy hearts we say a final, "God Bless (GB) you, Mum".

Due to COVID-19 restrictions, the family will hold a private visitation and funeral service at **McINTOSH-ANDERSON-KELLAM FUNERAL HOME LTD.**, 152 King St E., Oshawa (905-433-5558) with interment to follow at Resurrection Cemetery, **355 Taunton Rd E, Whitby**. For online condolences, please visit [makfuneralhome.com](http://makfuneralhome.com). In lieu of flowers, donations to the Multiple Sclerosis Society of Canada - Durham Northumberland Chapter (1-800-268-7582) or to the SickKids Foundation (1-800-661-1083) are greatly appreciated.

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## Condolences

Apr 18, 2021

Mary & Duncan MacDonald

Dear Joanne,

Sending blessings and comfort to you & your family on this day of your Mum's passing. We remember Eileen fondly, especially when she met my Mom so many years ago. They had lunch together on our deck, and then El & I left them chatting in our livingroom, and watching All My Children until we got back home from work. I hope Eileen & my Mom

are planning a little chat with a cup of tea together in heaven as they watch over all of their children. ??  
Love, Mary & Duncan?

Apr 18, 2021

♥?The Cortese family

Joanne sending lots of love and hugs to you and your family♥?? Frank and Josie Cortese family ?

Apr 18, 2021

Anne and Frank Zochodne

Joanne, Margie, Ellen

We both have great memories of your mother and father. Shall keep you in our prayers. A mothers love shall never die.

Anne and Frank

Apr 18, 2021

Wayne Stovell

Dear Joanne, Magoo and Ellen.

Oh boy, where to begin. What a wonderful woman your mom was. She always seemed to have a grand time when our parents got together. Your mom was also in my mom's wedding party in 1951 and I have also never forgot that your dad was my Godfather. We had some fun times many years ago.

I am very sorry to hear of her passing, and do send heart felt condolences to you all. Cousin Ruth sent me an email today. I'm glad she did. I'd be down there in a heartbeat if I could. I'm pretty sure you know that.  
Big hugs to all.  
Wayne

Apr 18, 2021

Anne (Stovell)Venning

Dear Joanne, Marg & Ellen,

Oh, what wonderful times our families had together back in the day. You and your parents were like family to us. We had many happy days together.

I know your many fond memories will bring you peace and comfort in the days ahead. "They" are always with us...  
Sending love & prayers to you always.

Anne

Apr 18, 2021

The Azzano Family

Dearest Joanne, Marg & Ellen,

Our deepest sympathy on the loss of your beloved mother. Such a wonderful woman, and the greatest testament to her legacy is her three wonderful daughters, who will continue to shine after her passing. Memories, of which you have so many, will be of great comfort to you. Our deepest condolences to your entire family, we are thinking of you all.

Linda and Dino

Apr 18, 2021

**Betty Huider**

Dear Joanne and Family,

My Condolences and prayers go out to you and your family. I am thinking of all of you at this time, May you take some comfort in your fond memories .

May God bless all of you.

Betty Huider

Apr 18, 2021

**Hillsdale Estates Family Council**

Our sincere condolences on your loss!

Apr 19, 2021

**Edward Johansen**

Deepest condolences to the whole family. Remembering the good times we had together..

God bless

Ed Johansen

Apr 19, 2021

**Imelda Jones**

Dear Joanne Margaret and Ellen

I am so sorry to hear of Eileen's passing . What a wonderful lady she never complained and was always alert.

I loved visiting her and bringing Communion when she was unable to go to the chapel

I have really missed her with this COVID keeping us away from Hillsdale .

Her faith was so strong I feel sure she went straight up into Gods loving arms.

It will be very hard for you girls to loose such a special MUM my thoughts and prayers are with you at this very sad time

Imelda

Apr 19, 2021

**Anne Brady**

Joanne, Marg and Ellen,

My deepest sympathy to you and your families on the death of your mother, Eileen. She was a kind and gentle

woman, always particular about her appearance and a wonderful mother as evidenced by your amazing devotion to her. Wish I could be with you to give all of you a big hug. Love, Anne

Apr 19, 2021

**Ruth Nicholls**

Ellen, Marg, Joanne and family,

I want to offer to all of you my deepest sympathy at this difficult time. Your mother was truly a lovely woman - kind and so thoughtful. She dealt so stoically with all of the difficulties she faced, this woman of deep faith. I hope you know I would be with you if I could. All of you are in my prayers.

Love,  
Ruth

Apr 19, 2021

**Roger Silva**

My condolences to you and yours.

Apr 19, 2021

**Denise Dumais Diltz**

Very sorry to hear about your mom passing. My thoughts and prayers go out to all of the family. I'm sure your mom and my dad (David Dumais) are playing bingo in heaven together....

Take care

Apr 19, 2021

**Shelley Martin**

Dear Ellen and family,

On behalf of the Thibeau family, I want to extend our sincere condolences. Ellen, I have sure missed the updates on your Mom this past year and extreme love and admiration in your eyes when you spoke about her. I am sure she was an amazing Mom as well as an amazing soul!

Take care!

Sincerely,

Agnes Thibeau, Shelley Martin and Jacky Jordan.

Apr 19, 2021

**Laurie West**

Dear Ellen,

I am so very sorry to hear your Mom has passed, no matter the age, it's never easy when our loved ones leave us.

Your Mom sounds like a wonderful woman, you will treasure your memories and she'll always be close by... in your heart.

Love Laurie xo

Apr 19, 2021

**DAVE KILLHAM**

Ellen to you and your family, losing a Mom is so saddening, my sincere and heartfelt condolences.

Apr 19, 2021

**Allyssa Millard**

Dear Ellen,

My deepest sympathies to you and your family.

It is truly terrible to hear of the loss of your mother, and in this sorrowful time I would like to extend to you my heartfelt condolences.

Apr 19, 2021

**Tina MacPherson**

Dear Ellen,

I'm so very to hear about your Mom's passing. My deepest condolences to you and your family. Thinking of you during this difficult time.

Apr 19, 2021

**Jennifer Vigneault**

Dear Ellen and Family,

Please accept my deepest condolences for your loss, my heart goes out to you and your family during this difficult time.

Jennifer Vigneault

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Apr 19, 2021

**Sheila Hazell**

Dear Ellen and family, my deepest condolences on the loss of the matriarch of your family. May peace and comfort be your constant companion as you say farewell to your beloved Mum.

Sheila

Apr 19, 2021

**Charlotte and Larry Brisco**

Dear Ellen, Joanne, and Marg,

Larry and I are so very sorry to hear about your beloved Mum. Mrs. Simmons was such a lovely woman who was always so welcoming and friendly whenever I met her. She was always genuinely interested in knowing about your friends and had a keen memory for details. This always amazed me. She was very kind to me when I lost my son Michael which is something I will always remember.

I was always impressed that she raised such wonderful women who have inherited her social graces and love for family and friends. The world is a little dimmer now that she is gone.

I hope that she continues to play her word search and crossword puzzles and most of all that she beats my Dad at BINGO.

Sending you Women of Simmons lots of love and big hugs.

God Bless,  
Charlotte and Larry

Apr 19, 2021

**Sabrina Sheldrick**

Ellen, I'm really sorry to hear about your mom. Like Shelley said, it was so nice to hear your stories about your mom when we'd gather in the kitchen at work. She sounded like an amazing person and you were lucky to have her with you for such a long time. My condolences to you and your family.  
Sabrina

Apr 19, 2021

**Laura Pascoe**

Dear Ellen and family,  
I never met your mother but it was always a pleasure to hear your anecdotes about her and the fun times the "Simmons women" shared together. What a warm and loving family your mother fostered.  
It is said that when a flower blooms once, its beauty lives on forever in the hearts of all who experienced it.  
May you and yours find comfort in your memories of your dear mother.  
Thinking of you, Ellen.  
Laura

Apr 19, 2021

**Enzo & Erminia Mancuso**

Dear Ellen,

Our thoughts are with you and your family during this very sad time!

With deepest sympathy.  
Enzo & Erminia Mancuso

Apr 19, 2021

**Marty White**

Dear Ellen, Marg and Joanne

The "Women of Simmons" may be down a member here on earth, but I am sure your Mum will oversee future gatherings to ensure they run smoothly.

Chin up, smiles wide, great memories last forever.

Marty and my crew

Apr 19, 2021

**Christine and Mark McFalls**

El, Marg and Joanne

Our deepest sympathy in the loss of your mom. A lovely lady who has three very caring and beautiful daughters. My you find comfort in all the wonderful memories of the times you had together. Big hug!

Christine and Mark

Apr 20, 2021

**Carol & Andy Clarke**

Joanne & Family

Our deepest condolence.

Losing our mothers & best friend

Is so heart breaking. May she RIP sending you and family  
big hugs♥? God Bless

Apr 20, 2021

**Ranie Purushuttam**

My sincere condolences to you and family Ellen. May peace be with your Mother!

Apr 20, 2021

**June Daniels-Lee**

Ellen, my condolence to you and your family at the passing of your beloved Mother.

Apr 20, 2021

**Pattie Weatherill**

My sincere condolences to The Women of Simmons and the entire family.

Apr 20, 2021

**Yvonne Laurent**

Ellen, to you and your family, my sincere condolence.

Apr 20, 2021

**Margaret Abela**

My deepest sympathy Ellen. May God bless and comfort you in the days ahead.

Apr 20, 2021

**Bill and Darlene Temple**

Joanne and Peter

Our sincere condolences on the loss of your dear Mother. You are in our thoughts and prayers

Apr 20, 2021

**Frank and Silvana Longo**

Our sincere condolences to you Joanne, Marg, Ellen and families on the loss of your dear Mom.  
Rest in Peace Mrs Simmons,

Apr 21, 2021

**Marjorie Cameron**

Ellen and family,

So sorry to hear of the lost of your dear mother.

Condolences to the family.

Apr 21, 2021

**Antonio**

Dear Ellen and family,

I like to convey my sincere condolences to you and your family, in this time of sadness, I will keep you and your love one in my Prayer, may the Lord our God Provide the necessary comfort and strength to endure the sorrow in the days ahead.

With deepest sympathy

Antonio Ciciarelli



Apr 21, 2021

**Vanitha Ethiraju**

To Ellen and the whole family

My deepest condolences to all of you, sending you love and light during this difficult time.

Love,  
Vanitha

Apr 22, 2021

**Nancy Nicholls**

Dear Marg, Ellen, and Joanne,

Thinking of you at this sad time.

You took such good care of your mom and I know your mom enjoyed many hours with you and always felt your love.

Your mother was a strong woman of faith and will be missed.

Take some comfort in the fact that you were there for her in the good times and the bad.

Sorry I cannot be with you today.

God bless you, Love,

Nancy

Apr 22, 2021

**David & Tanja Courtney**

Dear Ellen

So sorry to hear of the loss of your dear Mother.

We are thinking of you and your family.

Love

Dave and Tanja Courtney

Apr 22, 2021

**ELIZABETH MCNAUGHT**

So sorry to read about the passing of Eileen. I use to be her PSW when she was living in the Condo on Elgin. Always a kind and soft spoken woman. I enjoyed many a visit with her.

My sympathies to her family.

May 2, 2021

**John & Isabel Smegal**

Dear Joanne, Ellen and Marg,

Our sincerest condolences to you and your families. Eileen was a wonderful person and will be missed by everyone who knew her and loved her. God bless you all during this very difficult time.

Love John and Isabel Smegal

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