



Gaeleen Rose Chamness

February 27, 1938 - March 23, 2021

Wapakoneta, OH – Gaeleen Rose Chamness, 83, died Tuesday afternoon, March 23, 2021, at Lima Memorial Health System. She was born February 27, 1938, in Roanoke, VA, the daughter of Charles and Margaret (Wright) Neary who preceded her in death. She was also preceded by Richard L Chamness to whom she was married for 59 years. They lived in Dayton, Jackson Center, Santa Fe, and eventually settled in Wapakoneta.

In addition to her parents and husband, Gaeleen was predeceased by her sister Patricia (Neary) Black and her brother Timothy Neary. Gaeleen is survived by her brother Michael Neary (wife Sharon, deceased), her 5 children Terri (Chamness) Marchese (husband Daniel, children Daniel, Tony, Salvatore and Miles), Tami (Chamness) Strack (husband Jack, children Jessica, Jamie & Jack), James Chamness (wife Sharon, children Jesse, Anna & Tanner), Thomas Chamness (wife Vickie, children David & Kaitlyn), and Richard C Chamness, as well as 10 great-grandchildren.

Gaeleen graduated from Fenwick High School in Middletown, Ohio. She then attended University of Dayton, Wright State University, Central State University and The Ohio State University where she received her Bachelor of Science degree in education. She taught at several schools throughout her career: St Mary's, St Helen's, Holy Family, and Immaculate Conception in the Dayton area; Indian Lake in Lewistown, Ohio; and Northridge, Centennial, and Wapakoneta High in the Wapakoneta area. She retired from teaching in 2000. Gaeleen was an avid reader and enjoyed bingo, playing cards, meeting

friends for lunch, visiting Florida, and volunteering at God's Storehouse. She was a long-time member of St Joseph Catholic Church, Wapakoneta.

A service of remembrance will be 6:00 p.m., Monday, April 5, 2021, at the Eley Funeral Home & Crematory, St. Rt 501, Wapakoneta, with Rev. Sean Wilson officiating. The family will receive family & friends 4-6 p.m., Monday, April 5, at the funeral home. Those who wish to remember Gaeleen in a special way are encouraged to donate to God's Storehouse or St Joseph Catholic Church.

Condolences may be expressed at www.eleyfuneralhomeandcrematory.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 5. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

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Service

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Tribute Wall



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Gaeleen Rose Chamness.



April 03, 2021 at 07:50 PM



“ Guiding Light Bouquet was purchased for the family of Gaeleen Rose Chamness.



April 01, 2021 at 11:21 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Gaeleen Rose Chamness.



March 27, 2021 at 02:03 AM

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“ My deepest sorrow to Mrs.Chamness family she was such a sweet lady a awesome teacher & friend. I met Mrs Chamness when I started kindergarten at Centennial she was my teacher. She would make school so much fun I was her student I was with her all the way to 4th grade. Then later when I got to the high school I got the privilege of having her another 2 years. When I walked in her class she knew who I was right away I even seen her outside the class at Bingo when I went with my parents. I really hold her close to my heart she was the best and she will always be missed and never forgotten. Fly high Mrs Chamness till we meet again watch over all of us love your favorite student Michael (Benji) Werling

Michael (Benji) Werling - March 27, 2021 at 01:47 AM

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Thank you, Benji, for the wonderful tribute to my mother.

Thomas E Chamness - April 14, 2021 at 09:21 AM