



Mrs. Ethel Lillis of Elgin

November 11, 2015

Ethel Lillis, of Elgin, Illinois.

Devoted daughter of the late Jacob and the late Olga Forsuk; loving mother of Susan, Chick, Kevin and Robert Lillis; cherished grandmother/Nana to Sonia and Ana Lillis; fond sister to the late Robert and the late Larrayn.

Visitation Friday, November 13, 2015 from 4:00 to 9:00 P.M. at Morizzo Funeral Home and Cremation Services, 2550 West Hassell Road, (Northeast corner at Barrington Road), Hoffman Estates, Illinois 60169; and Saturday, November 14, 2015 from 9:00 A.M. until time of funeral service 10:00 A.M. at St. John's Lutheran Church, 115 North Spring Street, Elgin, Illinois 60120. Interment to follow at Bethania Cemetery, in Justice, Illinois.

Ethel Lillis's Family would appreciate memorials to either Save a Pet, 31664 N Fairfield Road, Grayslake, IL. 60030; click here <http://saveapetil.org/donate/> or PAWS Chicago, 1997 N Clybourn Ave, Chicago, IL 60614 or click here <http://www.pawschicago.org/how-to-help/donate/> or St. John's Lutheran Church, 115 North Spring Street, Elgin, IL 60120.

Ethel raised her four children in our Lord's path attending Peace Lutheran Church in Chicago weekly until her move to Elgin where she was a faithful member of St. John's Lutheran Church. She worked three jobs in order to

provide a Lutheran education for her children. Later in life, after her children graduated from college, Ethel pursued her love of interior design by enrolling in college. She studied both at Harrington College of Design and School of the Art Institute of Chicago, where her granddaughter Sonia, graduated from this past May. Her new career as an interior designer led her to work in the Department of Interiors in Bloomingdale. She loved her clients and her work was her passion.

Everyone knows how special animals were to Ethel. She was a champion to all God's creatures. For more than fifteen years she worked tirelessly at Pet Rescue in Bloomingdale to care for and feed orphaned pets. She even brought some of the saddest cases home.

What you may not know about Mom/Nana was how she took care of elderly neighbors throughout her years. She took them to doctor's appointments, cooked gourmet meals for them, and cheered them up with her warmth and sense of humor. She took extraordinary care of her father, mother and sister during their dying days at home. We are celebrating her homecoming to God in Heaven where she is pain free and living eternally in paradise.

2 Peter 3-6 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which according to his abundant mercy hath begotten us again unto a lively hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to an inheritance incorruptible, and undefiled, and that fadeth not away, reserved in heaven for you, who are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.

This Life Tributes page has been created to make it easy for Family and Friends to share memories, photos and videos.

For further information please contact the Morizzo Funeral Directors at

847.752.6444.

Visitation, Funeral Service, Committal and Burial Service entrusted to Morizzo Funeral Home / Funeral Chapel and Cremation Services, 2550 West Hassell Road, (Northeast corner at Barrington Road), 6 minutes South of Palatine Road and Barrington Road, 6 minutes North of Schaumburg Road and Barrington Road, in Hoffman Estates / South Barrington, Illinois 60169.

Cemetery Details

Bethania Cemetery in Justice

7701 S. Archer Ave
Justice, IL 60458

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV **13**. 4:00 PM - 9:00 PM (CT)

Morizzo Family Funeral Home, Cremation Services, and Cemetery Memorials
2550 Hassell Road
Hoffman Estates, IL 60169
(847) 752-6444
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Visitation

NOV **14**. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

St. John's Lutheran Church in Elgin
115 North Spring Street
Elgin, IL 60120
(847) 741-0814
<http://www.stjohnselgin.org/>

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Tribute Wall



“ *Mrs. Ethel Lillis of Elgin*

November 04, 2022 at 06:54 PM



“ *The few times that I met your mother, I always found her to be warm and conversational...easy to engage with. Now reading some of the memories of others, I can see why that persona shone through. My condolences to the Lillis family in your mother's passing.*
RuthAnn Keenan

RuthAnn Keenan - November 15, 2015 at 08:05 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mrs. Ethel Lillis of Elgin.*



November 13, 2015 at 06:41 PM

DE

“ *Ethel always had a warm presence and a way of making people feel at ease in her midst. I fondly remember talking to her at one of Chick's block parties. She told me about the work she was doing at the shelter and about the various neglected animals that needed homes.*

Ethel would always adopt the most lame, ill begotten-underdog from the shelter. You know, the ones that are too old, or considered unsuitable for adoption. She would take that dog and love it as it was her own, giving it a second chance at life. What a powerful way to live, giving the ones that don't have or deserve grace, the love that they need! I always admired her for that.

My thoughts and prayers to Susan, Chick, Kevin, and Robert, as well as Sonia and Ana.

Love,

Doug Eichert

Doug E - November 13, 2015 at 02:31 PM

CY

“ *Craig And Joanne Yapp lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Ethel Lillis of Elgin*



Craig and Joanne Yapp - November 13, 2015 at 12:07 PM

CY

Our deepest condolences to our friend Chick and her family during this very sad time.

Craig and Joanne Yapp - November 13, 2015 at 12:08 PM

JK

“ *Ethel was a wonderful neighbor who always had a smile on her face and would wave to you from her window when you were walking by. I will cherish our last visit together always and she will be missed at our chili cookouts every year! She enjoyed seeing all the neighbors and catching up while sampling our chili. The thing I will remember most is how she always took the time and was really interested in how my son Joshua was doing. She always stopped to talk to him (and he does love to talk!) and ask him what he's been up to and how he's doing. She will be greatly missed on DOP but we will always cherish our memories of her. Our deepest sympathy goes out to the Lillis family. Our prayers are with you.*



Love,

Janet, Martin, and Joshua

Janet K - November 13, 2015 at 11:56 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mrs. Ethel Lillis of Elgin.*



November 13, 2015 at 10:11 AM

PZ

“ *Our deepest sympathy to all of Ethel's Family. She was a sweet, loving woman and she will be missed. Pam & Peter Zivkovic*

Pamela Zivkovic - November 12, 2015 at 05:17 PM

MH

Im so Very sorry to hear of Ethel's passing. A lovely lady with a huge heart filled with love for animals. Ethel was part of Operation Mia, a small group of woman including her daughter Susan who joined forces to close down Pet Rescue Inc Bloomingdale Illinois. She was a long time volunteer if the shelter which is where I met her. I pray you are at peace and with Elsie, Xray and all of your other animals that have gone before you. You were a blessing here on earth for Gods creatures. God Bless you Ethel. My prayers are with you Susan.

mary huspen - November 13, 2015 at 06:28 PM

NJ

“ *Nancy Uszcienski and son Joshua purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Mrs. Ethel Lillis of Elgin.*



Nancy Uszcienski and son Joshua - November 12, 2015 at 05:01 PM



“ *49 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Morizzo Funeral Home & Cremation Services - November 12, 2015 at 04:30 PM

NU

“ Mrs. Lillis was loved by all her neighbors. On Mother's Day, my son insisted on getting flowers for Mrs. Lillis. When he gave her the flowers, he said it all... He said he told her that the flowers were for the Mother of all of our Court. He was so right. She greeted adult and child alike with fond hellos, kisses...and always concern for how things were going in their lives. She loved the animals of the Court just as much, caring for her rescue animals and any stray animals. She will be missed by all of us.

Nancy Uszcienski - November 12, 2015 at 03:51 PM

JM

“ Jo-Ann & Robert Miller purchased the Pink Tribute Spray for the family of Mrs. Ethel Lillis of Elgin.



Jo-Ann & Robert Miller - November 12, 2015 at 01:58 PM

MS

“ Offering our deepest condolences during this difficult time.



Morizzo Funeral Home Staff - November 12, 2015 at 01:35 PM