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Our sweet Colleen gained her angel wings on January 9th with family by her side. She was a very sweet and loving person with the kindest of hearts.

There was always a smile on her face and made friends easily with everyone she met. She loved to sew and do any kinds of crafts. Her favorite thing to make were beaded keychains, and if you met her, you got one! And heaven forbid you interrupt her on Bingo days at Hearthside! Colleen loved her Detroit Tigers, Lions and the Packers as well as watching old movies. Playing tourist was always fun to do with her as she just loved to go the Soo Locks and watch the freighters. She could tell you every family member birthday and how old they were. And going to church was something else she loved to do. Colleen enjoyed Sunday School and all the kid's activities and the festivities of Christmas in Rapid River. She loved good music and could be found on the Relay for Life Track getting her dance on while fighting cancer.

Colleen attended School in the special education department until she was 16 years old. She lived her life out with her parents and did a lot of traveling after their retirement. They ended up residing in Florida for 19 years after all their travels. After their passing, she resided with her sister Margaret and brother-in-law Larry in Rapid River until moving to Sault Ste. Marie in 2018. Colleen then resided in Hearthside Assisted Living until Christmas of 2020 and moved into Hospice care at Margaret's house.

Survivors: Sisters Margaret Eagle, Suzanne (Tony) Orlando, and Brother Gordon McIlvain. Nieces Brenda (Donald) Eagle Ransom, Catherine Orlando, and Tammy (McIlvain) Howland, and Nephews Thomas (Celine) Orlando, and Brian (Kelley) McIlvain. She is also survived by several great nieces and nephews.

She is predeceased in death by her parents, John and Loretta (Dryer) McIlvain, Aunt Margery Dryer, Sister-in-law Joannie McIlvain, and Brother-in-law Larry Eagle.

Colleen touched many lives while here on earth. And she will be greatly missed by all who knew her.

A visitation will be held on Saturday, January 16, 2021, from 1-3 pm at the First United Presbyterian Church, Sault Ste. Marie in the social hall.

Memorials may be sent to Hearthside Assisted Living and designated for the Spa or the Aviary, the Chippewa County Animal Shelter, or the Delta County Animal Shelter.

Tribute Wall

KO

“ Margaret and family we are so sad to hear of Colleen's passing. She was such a nice, happy person. We always enjoyed visiting with her at our CHAT outings. Our condolences to you and family.
Kris and Gus

Kris and Gus Olson - January 13, 2021 at 12:00 AM

TD

“ May God's loving arms surround all who are hurting from the passing of this dear soul. She was always happy, always pleasant, always smiling.

Tangerine Dupuis - January 13, 2021 at 12:00 AM

PB

“ We send our sincere condolences on Colleen's passing. She was such a sweet and caring lady

Pete & Cindy Brock - January 13, 2021 at 12:00 AM

MS

“ Loved our sweet angel Colleen. My life was blessed to have her in it. Kisses to you in heaven sweet one.

Margie Swanson - January 12, 2021 at 12:00 AM

SW

“ I always enjoyed Colleen, her keychains and watching her carry her lucky frog to bingo. I feel so blessed to have been able to help take care of her. Her smiles helped me through some rough days and I never had to worry about my back being itchy because she hit the spot! Rest easy my girl! Prayers for her her family and friends

Stephanie L Wilson - January 10, 2021 at 12:00 AM

DM

“ Miss her giggles, so fun to do crafts and laugh and laugh 😂



Deanna Donald McAlister - January 10, 2021 at 12:00 AM

NL

“ Rest In Peace Colleen thank you for letting us take care of you ❤️. Sorry you had this hard disease. Glad you were able to do fun things and loved hearing Christian tv when you couldn't go to church. Now you are with Your best friend ❤️👍 Jesus



Nicole Long - January 10, 2021 at 12:00 AM