



## Eileen T. Kurtz

June 14, 1928 - June 17, 2015

Memorial Mass for Eileen Kurtz, 87, of Enid, will be Monday, June 22, 2015, at 2:30 p.m. at St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church, with Rev. Joseph Irwin and Rev. James Mickus officiating. Recitation of the Rosary will be Sunday 6:00 PM at Anderson-Burriss Funeral Home. Inurnment will be in Greenhill Cemetery in Davis, Oklahoma. Eileen was born to Irish immigrants, Martin and Winnie (Duffy) Conroy on June 14, 1928, in New York City. She passed away Wednesday, June 17, 2015, in Enid. Eileen received her BSN from Manhattanville College and did graduate work at Teachers College, Columbia University, in New York, and Catholic University in Washington, DC. After working as a staff nurse and inservice educator at Veterans Administration Hospital in Bronx, NY, and instructor in the school of nursing at St. Mary's Hospital, Waterbury, CT, she traveled to Saudi Arabia, where she was director of nursing services for the Arabian American Oil Company Hospital from 1958-1974. Eileen married Jack E. Kurtz on May 15, 1961, while in Saudi Arabia. He died in 1974, and she moved her family to Enid. Eileen served as director of nursing service at Integris Bass Baptist Health Center from 1975-1985, and director of special services 1985-1995. Following retirement she worked part-time as clinical examiner for certified nursing assistants at Autry Tech, and she has done part-time consulting at The Living Center and The Arbors. She also served many years on the Ethic Committee at Integris. Eileen was a member of St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church, where she has served on the parish board and president of the Altar Society. She has also

served with United Way, CDSA, Advisory Committee for Senior Citizens, Life-Long Learning, Community Clinic, and Gaslight Theatre. Eileen was a member of Garfield County Republican Women and PEO, a philanthropic group that gives grants to women pursuing further education. She is survived by three children: Sara Kurtz of Enid, John and Lori Kurtz of Miami, OK, Dan and Stacy Kurtz of Enid; four grandchildren, Ryley, Connor, Jacob and Aaron; and sister Cathy Conroy Leneghan of Jensen Beach, Florida. Eileen was preceded in death by her parents, husband Jack, and brothers. Memorials may be made to St. Joseph or Oklahoma P.E.O. Projects Fund.

# Tribute Wall

LR

“ *Eileen was a great lady. I enjoyed knowing her the past 20 years through her service to CDSA. My heart goes out to you in your sorrow....*

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**Linda Record** - June 22, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JA

“ *Eileen was one of my favorite people. She brought out the best folks.*

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**Jerry Allen** - June 21, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MH

“ *Dear Sara, John, Dan.....very sorry to hear about Eileen, thoughts and prayers are with you all.All my memories of your mother make me smile from ear to ear, she was a great one!*

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**monte humphrey** - June 21, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Sarah, John, Dan, and families that Eileen loved so much, Uncle Jimmy and your cousins--Jennifer, Donna, Tammy could hardly wait to visit you all and Grandma Mary every summer. Your Mom had the best personality and was the most entertaining of anyone we knew. I always looked forward to our serious philosophical conversations about everything, including government and offering solutions to making the world better. All the good things she did for others was proof of how kind and generous she always was. I know she was royally welcomed to the Kingdom by your father Jack and Jim and all the Kurtz Clan. I am so sorry for your loss. I know what an important presence she was in all of the lives that were near her. I'll say a prayer for all of you too in this difficult time. Love, Aunt Rosemary

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June 21, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Sara, John, Dan and families. My heart goes out to you as you say good bye to your mother. What a blessing she has been to so many. I remember well our times in Saudi Arabia. And I remember being with you after your father died. Truly is not easy saying good bye. May the strength of your faith and your mother's witness guide through these days of grief. Love and gentle blessings...prayers and thoughts are with you.

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**Rosine** - June 20, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ Eileen T. Kurtz

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**Cheri Hardin** - June 20, 2015 at 12:00 AM

AK

“ Always enjoyed working with Eileen through various community organizations. What a dedicated, talented individual.

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**AK** - June 20, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DH

“ Dan & Stacy, May your family have gentle memories of the special times that you always shared, will live forever in your heart as a reminder that you cared. And since time is a great healer eventually you will find, a beautiful peace and lasting comfort in the gentle memories left behind. May remembering help to ease the sorrow that you feel and bring peace and comfort to your heart. With Sincere Sympathy, Mark and Danette Hague

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**Danette Hague** - June 19, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CW

“ From one nurse to a greater nurse, God has a special golden chair for you.

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**Carol Wyckoff** - June 18, 2015 at 12:00 AM