



Eillen Knowles

October 10, 2010

Eileen "Fuzzy" Knowles, age 64, of Albia, passed away Sunday morning, October 10, 2010, at the Good Samaritan Health and Rehabilitation Center in Ottumwa.

Eileen was born on November 7, 1945 in Chariton, Iowa to Earl and Katherine (Nigut) Cratty. She attended and graduated from Chariton High School, class of 1964. After high school Eileen went to Ottumwa Heights Nursing program and Graduated in 1967. She began working in "OB" at St. Joseph's Hospital in Ottumwa.

On September 20, 1969 Eileen married James "Jim" Knowles in Chariton, Iowa. They were blessed with three children, Jimmy, Katherine, and Barb. Eileen stop working in Ottumwa and was a homemaker, raising their children. Later she went back to work at the Chariton Manor, until her retirement. Eileen and Jim were married for 34 years until Jim died on July 26, 2004.

Eileen enjoyed raising three beautiful children, and she loved her grandchildren. She was a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church and liked country music and dancing.

Eileen is survived by her children, Jimmy Knowles of Mission Viejo, CA, Katherine Knowles of Albia, and Barb (Sean) Conway of Homestead; two grandchildren, Kathryn and Grace Conway; and one sister, Sister Regina Mary Cratty of Davenport.

Eileen is preceded by her parents Earl and Katherine Cratty; and her husband James "Jim" Knowles.

Tribute Wall



“ *Eillen Knowles*

January 30, 2023 at 05:06 AM



“ *Eillen Knowles*

January 30, 2023 at 02:53 AM



“ *Rita Gergely said Sister Regina Mary Cratty had inquired about me at Eillen's funeral - I would love to hear from her and bring her up to date on my full life - please give her my email address. Also, please accept my condolences on the loss of Eillen. Annabelle Gergely Mitchell Keith*

Annabelle Gergely Mitchell Keith - October 13, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ *I had the privilege of working with Eillen at the Chariton Nursing & Rehab Center. Eillen was such an awesome nurse, caregiver & person! The patients, their families and our staff truly loved & respected Eillen. She was so special, a favorite to so many--one in a million. Rest in Peace my dear friend. And Katherine, Barb, Jimmy and families--I extend my deepest sympathy. I do believe Eillen will help you get through this most difficult time...Ohhh, how she does love you! She & I loved sharing stories about our kids. God Bless each one of you.*
RoseA Curran Vestal

RoseA Vestal - October 13, 2010 at 12:00 AM

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“ Our family would like to extend our deepest sympathy for the loss of your Mother. As you know, we lost our Mom, Theresa, at the same time.

It gives us comfort to think that they are both together in heaven now. We are praying you all and are very sorry we could not make it to the funeral.

Terri (Bates) Rodina - October 12, 2010 at 12:00 AM