



## Patricia Josephine Eikmeier

January 1, 1753 - August 31, 2011

March 19, 1925 – August 26, 2011 Mass of Christian Burial will be 11:00 a.m. Wednesday, August 31st, 2011 at Mary of the Immaculate Conception Church, Rockville, MN for Patricia Josephine (McDonough) Eikmeier, 86, who died August 26th at Assumption Court in Cold Spring, MN. Burial will be in the Calvary Cemetery in Rockville, MN. Relatives and friends may call after 4:00 p.m. Tuesday, at the Wenner Funeral Home, 600 Red River Avenue South, Cold Spring, MN, and from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Wednesday morning at the church. Parish prayers will begin at 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, followed by the Christian Women prayers at 4:30 p.m. Patricia was born in Oxford, Ohio to Edward Charles McDonough and Mary Elizabeth (Aubry) McDonough. Patricia graduated from the University of Dayton, Ohio with a B.S. in Education and later acquired her Masters of Education from St. Cloud State University. She married Henry Nicholas Eikmeier on June 28, 1947 in St. Mary's Church, Oxford, Ohio. Eventually, they moved to Minnesota and purchased the family farm from his father, where they ran a dairy operation for almost 40 years. While raising nine children, she taught at various schools in the area, including St. Anthony's Elementary, Watkins, St. Boniface Elementary, Cold Spring, Drew's Business College, St. Cloud, Minnesota Academy of Commerce (Director), St. Cloud School of Business and, finally, the St. Cloud Area Vocational Technical Institute, where she retired after 24 years. Patricia was a member of Mary of the Immaculate Conception Parish in Rockville. In the early years, many Saturday mornings were spent setting and

making copies of the Sunday bulletins. Later, she was a lector and did the lector scheduling. Patricia was President of the Rockville Christian Mothers, President of the Diocesan Council of Catholic Women (DCCW), a member of the Legion of Mary and a strong advocate for all Pro-Life causes. In 2006, Patricia joined the assisted living community at Assumption Court in Cold Spring. She felt truly blessed with the friends she made and the ability to attend mass each day. Her instincts to serve were put to use in organizing prayer services, card parties and sharing her passion for Bridge. Survivors include her children, Larry (Terri), Austin, MN, Vince (Linda), Richmond, VA, Bernie (Sally), Greenfield, Don (Marly), Rockville, Chuck (Sandi), St. Cloud, Tami (Ken) Spanier, St. Cloud, Patty, Waite Park, Mary Reilly, Bakersfield, CA, and Susan (Tom) Roche, Laguna Niguel, CA; 25 grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren. She is also survived by sisters, Mary Monica Fenning, Hamilton, OH, Margaret Ann (Peg) McDonough, Centerville, OH, Ruth Clark, Chino, CA, Carol Ferneding, Cincinnati, OH; brother-in-law, Joseph Eikmeier, Willmar and sister-in-law, Ann Eisenreich, Waite Park. Patricia was preceded in death by her husband, Henry; 5 brothers and 2 sisters and her son-in-law, Raymond Reilly, III. The family would like to thank the Assumption Campus staff for their help in making Patricia's final years a very enjoyable and fulfilling time of her life. Also, a thank you to the friends and card playing "buddies" that checked in daily to make sure she was comfortable.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Patricia Josephine Eikmeier*

January 29, 2023 at 09:26 AM



“ *My sympathy and prayers to you and your family-i am so very sorry for your loss!*

**Dianne Schwegel Ledbetter** - September 07, 2011 at 08:17 PM



“ *I enjoyed my conversations that I had with your mother. As an active parishoner at the Rockville church, she was such an inspiration. I thank God for bringing her into my life--My prayers go out to all the family members.*

**Mary Olson** - August 31, 2011 at 06:36 PM



“ *Dear Eikmeier Family,  
I am sorry for your. May you find comfort in your loving memories, and in knowing that God is "near to those that are broken at heart; and those who are crushed in spirit he saves." (Psalm 34;18) He has promised to soon "swallow up death forever...and wipe the tears from all faces." (Isaiah 25;8) With deepest sympathy,*

**valerie thompson** - August 31, 2011 at 08:32 AM

LK

“ We are very sorry to hear of your Mom's passing, our Aunt Pat. Whenever we met over the years, she always took time to chat about how things were with us. Our prayers are with you during this sad time. Many Blessings and Peace to all,  
Louise & Jack Kedziora

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**Louise (Ahles) Kedziora** - August 30, 2011 at 09:45 PM

DP

“ May God give you comfort during this difficult time.

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**Deb & Keith Perry** - August 30, 2011 at 02:05 PM

CP

“ I am so sorry to hear of your loss. It sounds like she was a wonderful person and will be missed greatly. She is at peace and save in God's hands. My prayers will include strength to get through this time for your entire family.  
God Bless you all.

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**Carla Patton** - August 29, 2011 at 12:32 PM

KD

“ I am so sorry to hear of your loss of your beloved Mom and Grandma, my thoughts and prayers are with you at this difficult time. I hope that you find some comfort being surrounded by your family and friends that all love your beautiful family. Thank you for everything you do and have done to try to make me feel like part of your wonderful family.  
Blessings always, Kelly Duty

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**Kelly Duty** - August 29, 2011 at 11:57 AM

DK

“ I am so sorry to hear of your loss. Your mom sounds like she was quite the achiever in her lifetime--you should all be very proud. May your faith help you through this time of sadness.

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**Deb Kenyan** - August 29, 2011 at 11:19 AM

CW

“ Ralph and I send you our deepest sympathies on the loss of your beloved mother. "Aunt Pat" to us--she was always loving and interesting in anything we had to say and was always welcoming when we could visit. There is no doubt that she and your Dad are "together forever" in God's heavenly kingdom. Our prayers and love to all of you during this difficult time. God bless you all---hope you stay close as family in the years ahead!! Peace, Carol & Ralph Williams

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**Carol Williams** - August 29, 2011 at 11:16 AM