



Ms. Erma Jean Gentry Hoover Sullivan

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Sullivan, Erma Jean Gentry Hoover, age 78, preceded in the death by her parents Hayden Gentry and Dee Gentry Graves, stepfather Roy Graves and sister Reba Mai Frey.

She is survived by her precious children, daughter Kimberly Jean Hoover Young (Jeff), son William Robert (Buddy) Hoover, Jr. (Robin). Grandchildren, twin grandsons Julian Vincent Young (Christen), Andrew Baker Young (Angela), and granddaughter Mary Claire Keller (Jacob). One sister Doris Smith, stepbrother Michael Graves, brother-in-law Stan Frey. Her sweet great grandchildren, Anderson Gene Young, Hadley Claire Keller, Vera Caroline Keller and Amelia Dee Young. Several nieces and nephews.

She retired at age 70 from Madison Healthcare as Assistant Director and Director of Nursing. She was a stay home mother until her children started school, then fulfilled her lifelong dream of becoming a nurse by going back to school. She obtained her LPN license and worked as she studied to obtain her degree in nursing and received her license as a Registered Nurse. She was a hands-on nurse for 37 years. She worked at the Nashville Memorial Hospital in the critical care unit then became Director of Nurses at Vanco Manor. She retired from Madison Healthcare where she was the Director of Nurses then the Assistant Director of Nursing. She loved working with the elderly. She had a good rapport with her staff and was always willing to listen and give a hand to help no matter what the situation was.

Nursing, her children and the Church were her life and she was devoted to them all. She had a positive outlook on life and no matter how she felt, she was "fine". She would say her faith was what got her through all her pain and trials of life. Her favorite activities were reading and tending to her gardens. She also enjoyed traveling and her many trips to the beach. She loved boating with her son and beach combing with her daughter.

In addition to those mentioned above, she was survived by her furry companions, Dixie and Wally.



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In lieu of flowers, the family has requested that donations be made in Mrs. Sullivan's memory to Saint Joseph School or any animal welfare charity of your choice.

A graveside service will be held Saturday, May 30th, 2020 at 12:30 PM on the grounds of the Historic Spring Hill Cemetery in Nashville.

Arrangements entrusted to Spring Hill Funeral Home and Cemetery, a Nashville landmark since 1785 "Where Nashville Comes to Remember"




Events


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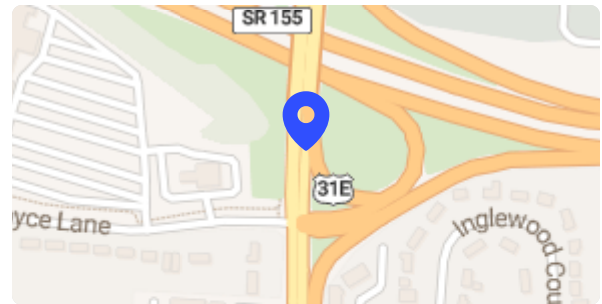
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Graveside


 **Saturday**, May 30, 2020


 12:30 PM - 1:00 PM CT

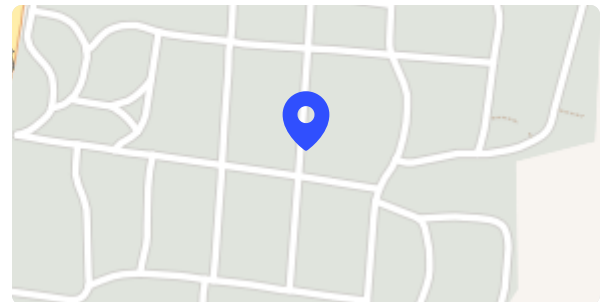
 **Historic Spring Hill Cemetery**
5110 Gallatin Road, Nashville TN 37216



Cemetery Details

 **Spring Hill Cemetery**
5110 Gallatin Pike S, Nashville TN 37216

 **615-866-1419**





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Linda Keller posted:

She was one of the sweetest ladys Ive ever met.

May 30 at 10:24 AM



Mavette Rouse Wortman posted:

Mrs. Sullivan (Mrs. Hoover, as I knew her) gave me my first taste of a great teacher. She was my kindergarten teacher at Jackson Park Church. My memory of her is full of love and happy thoughts. Many prayers and thoughts to her family. Mavette Rouse Wortman

May 29 at 5:19 PM



Anonymous sent an A Full Life to the Sullivan family.



May 29 at 5:57 AM



Sandra Young posted:

Seems so very surreal that only "yesterday" we were laughing together, enjoying our children together, celebrating nursing together. Time spins our lives' clocks and crowds the precious visions into the scrapbooks that become our history. So grateful she left her family a heritage that can be portrayed into future generations. Love abounds in her life. Truly, Sandra and Clay Young

May 28 at 4:31 PM



Kim Young May 29 at 7:21 AM

What beautiful words! Thank you Ms Sandra. You and Mama provided many happy days in the childhood of me, Buddy, Clay and David!



Anonymous sent a Small Garden Dish to the Sullivan family.



May 28 at 3:24 PM



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Michael G. sent a Strength & Solace Spray to the Sullivan family.



May 27 at 3:11 AM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Erma Jean by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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