



## Suzanne M. Eich

November 18, 1948 - April 5, 2016

Suzanne M. Eich  
(nee LaReau)

Suzanne M. Eich, age 67, of Reddick, IL, passed away peacefully at her home surrounded by her family Tuesday, April 5, 2016 following a long illness with cancer. She was born November 18, 1948 in Kankakee, IL to the late Edward LaReau and Marjorie (nee Hunt) LaReau. She married Gary Eich on May 22, 1971 in Campus, IL. She is survived by her loving husband of 44 years; her children, Michael (Julie) Eich of Reddick and Christine (Don) Curl of Dwight; grandchildren, Michelle and Joseph Eich, and Amber and Andrew Curl; her mother, Marjorie LaReau of Reddick; one sister, Edie LaReau of Maryland; four brothers, Michael (Sharon) Lareau of Coal City, David LaReau of Reddick, Richard (Nancy) LaReau of Murphysboro, and Christopher LaReau of Mahomet; and many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her father.

Suzanne was a graduate of Reddick High School Class of 1966. She attended Illinois State University. She was a homemaker all her married life, decorated cakes and she loved to quilt. She especially loved spending time with her family and children but most of all her grandchildren. She loved to write letters and send cards to family, friends and loved ones. She learned to text so she could send messages to her family and grandchildren. Suzanne was a member of the Zoar Community Church in Reddick, Kankakee County Homemakers Extension Association and Kankakee Quiltmakers. She did some volunteer work for Reach to Recovery and ALIVE Reading Program. She loved to read, particularly biographies and enjoyed doing crossword puzzles and crocheting. She liked to travel, specifically to London and dearly loved her trips to Ireland. She will be deeply missed by all those who have been blessed to be part of her life and have benefited from her love, support, guidance and generosity over the years.

The funeral celebration will be at the Zoar Community Church in Reddick, Monday, April 11 at 10:00 AM. The Reverends William and Joan Dean will officiate. Burial will follow in Sacred Heart Cemetery, Campus, IL. The visitation will be at the R.W. Patterson Funeral

Homes, Ltd. & Crematory, Braidwood Chapel, Sunday, April 10, from 2-7 PM. Memorial donations in Suzanne's name may be made to the family to be disbursed among her favorite charities.

Find us on Facebook at R.W. Patterson Funeral Homes.

# Cemetery

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## **Sacred Heart Cemetery**

North 3300 East Road: Approximately 3 miles  
south of Rt. 17  
Campus, IL, 60920

# Events

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**APR Visitation 02:00PM - 07:00PM**

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R.W. Patterson Funeral Home  
401 East Main St., Braidwood, IL,  
US, 60408

**APR Service 10:00AM - 10:30AM**

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Zoar Community Church  
18172 W. Route 17, Reddick, IL,  
US, 60961

# Comments

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“ My heart goes out to Suzannes' Family. I knew her way back. She was a sweet person and I'm sure she will be very much missed by all. My Deepest Sympathy.

Sharon Vining Hill

Sharon Hill - April 13, 2016 at 11:10 AM

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“ I met Sue at a cancer support group at St. Mary's back in the early '90s. I'd see her from time to time and we had lunch a couple of times. We would share experiences and we would laugh and laugh. I want to tell you what a truly special person she was- an extraordinary human being and I just thought the world of her. She fought her cancer with courage and grace. She was a great inspiration and I am so very sorry she is gone.

-Mary Costanza

Mary Costanza - April 11, 2016 at 11:51 PM

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“ Rest in Peace my dear cousin I will greatly miss your emails. Also seeing you out and about once in awhile. Tell Janet hello and I will always love and miss both of you. To Aunt Jerri take care and I will come visit you soon. Praying for all of your family to help them get through their grief for the loss of their dearly beloved Wife, mother, grandmother, sister, Aunt, daughter, cousins, friends and extended families.

Mary Ellen Rundle - April 10, 2016 at 11:32 AM

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“ I remember the first day I met Suzie. I was blessed with 6 great Uncles. We girl cousins loved when our Uncles brought home our future Aunts. Here came Suzie with her precious son Michael. We hit the jackpot that day not only a future Aunt but also a cousin. I'm not sure why she didn't run away because we are a big family and were all there that day. Suzie was such a great Aunt. You couldn't wait to see what she was going to say next .She was so funny. Suzie was a special person. Always helping others. So caring. Last year she made sure all the girl cousins got jewelry from our Aunt and cousin Nancy who had past away. I will never forget how she was able to help my Dad after the death of my Mom last year. She called him, wrote letters, made him a beautiful quilt because she cared that much and if it wasn't for her talks I don't know how long my Dad would have lived. Thank you from the bottom of my heart. Uncle Gary, Michael, Christine, and your families you were blessed to have such a strong, beautiful and devoted wife, mother, and grandma. She loved you dearly.

Debbie Eich Snikeris

Debbie Eich Snikeris - April 08, 2016 at 08:29 PM

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“ My childhood was spent in the blue house right next door to Susie and her family. I couldn't describe it without talking about all the memories made with Susie. She's as much a part of me as my parents and siblings and we all miss her. I'm blessed to have known you my entire life.

Eric Schumann - April 08, 2016 at 02:40 PM

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“ My condolences and prayers for all. Rip my cussin cousin Suz ( she knew I called her that) She will be missed by many but the Lord and all that got to Heaven before her are happy she has arrived She had a really long battle and she gave it her all. A real trooper who never gave up and always smiling.

Norma Gagnon - April 08, 2016 at 11:30 AM

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“ Susie was the best babysitter I ever had. She was always willing to read a few extra books at bed time. Her entire family is in my thoughts and prayers.

Bertha Howisen - April 08, 2016 at 01:00 AM

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“ To my dear 2nd Cousin Susie.. always had a smile on her face ans was there.. no one mentioned her other passion, collecting Mayberry Memorabilia.. was so proud of her things..but not as proud of her family! I always have looked up and admired my cousin... she has lived thru so much adversity and kept going... And because of this she has a wonderful immediate family and as well as a wide range of 2nd and probably 3rd cousins.. as well as her ...friends .. We will all miss you so much Susie, especially your spirit ! God Bless and may you find Peace. Love you forever and always! <3

**Tammi Harvick** - April 07, 2016 at 08:42 PM



“ She loved her family so and was always there for family and Friends! She will be missed so missed! <3

**Tammi Harvick** - April 08, 2016 at 03:13 PM

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“ I remember when she used to come to Reddick grade school in MS. Amy's class and showing us how to bake and decorate cakes and she was a great person And very sweet and loved her grandchildren very much and she will be very much missed by many people and my thought and prays are with the family and friends

**crystal wisniewski** - April 07, 2016 at 06:56 PM

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“ It's been about 30 years ago that I remember taking the boys over to introduce myself and family. It was at that time we just clicked and were from then on forever family. A special bond like no other. We would talk and laugh for hours and shared so much. You were the most courageous person I know. I will miss you here but know I will see you again one day. Until that reunion day you will live on in my heart. To Gary, Mike, Christine and all those sweet grandchildren. You were the ones she cherished the most and loved you all so deeply. You all are her legacy and I'm so thankful to know you all. My family love's you all and will always be here for you.

Tom, Deb, Eric, Mitch and Hannah

**Debra Schumann** - April 07, 2016 at 01:07 PM

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“ Sending much love to each of you and our deepest sympathies truly. Gods Blessings of much peace and comfort. Dan and Marsha



Dan and Marsha Ford - April 06, 2016 at 04:53 PM