

MARIA E. DOWD



Of Harmony, PA, went to her eternal rest surrounded by her loving family on Thursday, November 14, 2024.

Born January 6, 1955, in County Armagh, Ireland, Maria was the youngest daughter of the late Phelim and Elizabeth O'Hare.

Maria emigrated from Ireland to Canada at 17 years of age. It was there she met "her" Tommy. After marrying in 1975, Maria moved to

Tommy's hometown of Pittsburgh where they built their life together. In her thirties Maria earned her United States citizenship which she took great pride in. She equally celebrated her Irish heritage and her American citizenship. Maria was an extremely successful Real Estate broker for over 35 years. One of her greatest achievements was founding RE/Max Alliance in Zelienople which she proudly owned and operated from 2005 until her retirement in January of 2024.

In her free time Maria enjoyed reading, listening to Irish music, baking with her grandchildren and beach trips. She loved cheering on her beloved Armagh Gaelic football team and was thrilled when they won the All-Ireland championship this year.

She leaves behind to cherish her memory her husband of 49 years, Tom Dowd; her children, Michelle (Brad) Tresky, Kevin Dowd, Deirdre Dowd, Katie (Brendan) Dowd Dusette, and Ryan (Danielle) Dowd; her beloved grandchildren, Kaelyn, Ciara, Liam, Meghan, Keagan, Maggie, Declan, Reagan and Mac; her sister, Phyllis (Eamon) Grant. She will also be remembered by her brothers and sisters-in-law, nieces, nephews and treasured friends.

In addition to her mother and father, Maria was preceded in death by her brothers, Brian and Jeff O'Hare; her father and mother-in-law, Bill and Mary Dowd; and her brother-in-law, Jack Dowd.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorial donations be made to UPMC Hillman Cancer Center - Patient Care or Na Laochra Camogie Club.

"When you need me, just whisper my name in your heart, I will be there."

Friends and family will be received from 1-3 P.M. and 5-8 P.M. on Monday, November 18, 2024 at the **BOYLAN FUNERAL HOME, INC.**, 324 E. Grandview Ave., Zelienople, PA 16063.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10 A.M. on Tuesday, November 19, 2024, at St. Gregory Roman Catholic Church-Divine Grace Parish, 2 W. Beaver St., Zelienople, PA 16063.

She will be laid to rest at St. Gregory Catholic Cemetery. Expressions of sympathy may be shared with the family at: www.boylanfuneralservices.com

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