



## Eileen Roth

May 11, 1927 - April 3, 2021

Roth, Eileen (Roth)-In the early hours of Saturday, April 3, 2021, the sewing machine fell silent and the final patch was stitched into place in the quilt of Eileen's life. Eileen passed away peacefully at St. Mary's Hospital following a stroke. She resided at The Village at University Gates Retirement Living, formerly of Luther Village and Wellesley. Eileen was 93 years of age. She was predeceased by David, her husband of 67 years, in July 2018. Eileen is survived by her children, Karen and Stewart Sauder and Ronald and Bonnie Roth. She is the much-loved grandma of Kaitlin and Josh Zubrickas, Kendra Sauder and partner Matt O'Neill and Kayla Roth, and great-grandma of Ellie, Benjamin, Evelyn and Jameson Zubrickas. Eileen was born on May 11, 1927 and raised on the Hastings Belmont farm in Crosshill, Ontario. She was one of 11 children born to Christian and Veronica Roth. Survived by her sisters, Erma Roth and Viola Wagler and brother-in-law, Leon (Ruth) Shantz, and David's family Barbara (Nelson) Zehr and Dora Roth. Predeceased by her parents, Christian and Veronica (Boshart) Roth and siblings and in-laws Mary (Simeon) Jantzi, Sarah (Ohmer) Gerber, William (Cora) Roth, Annie (David) Jantzi, Mahlon (Mary) Roth, Samuel (Anna Mae) Roth, Laurene (Ivan) Nafziger, Omar Wagler and Ruth Shantz. Eileen finished her formal schooling at the age of 13 and quickly became a mother's helper/hired girl to many families in the area. During these times, she taught herself how to sew. She began working at the Forsythe Shirt Factory and she also worked for Park Avenue Wear as a piecework sewer. She was employed at the Schneider's Cheese

Factory in Wellesley and for A.W. Jantzi Apple Products, cooking apple butter. When David retired, they joined forces and began making deliveries for A.W. Jantzi – David doing the driving while Eileen did the navigating. Eileen was a sought-after seamstress in the village of Wellesley. She made numerous panels of draperies and altered all types of clothing from her sewing machine located in the kitchen of her home. She planted and harvested a large garden each year. Her flower beds, both at her home and at the Chesley Lake cottage were colourful and dutifully tended to. Eileen and David enjoyed their cottage at Chesley Lake, especially their time on the golf course. Eileen was a faithful member of Crosshill Mennonite Church where she enjoyed creating comforter tops for the Crosshill Mennonite Sewing Circle, often piecing dozens of tops each year. Eileen finished her last comforter, piecing and knotting, in January of this year. Friends and family are invited to visit at the FUTHER-FRANKLIN FUNERAL HOME, 1172 Henry Street, Wellesley on Wednesday from 2-4 & 6-8 p.m. Due to Covid restrictions, all visitors must call the funeral home at 519-656-2880 to reserve a visitation time. Please remain in your vehicle until your appointed time and masks must be worn in the funeral home. A private family interment will take place with her husband David at Rushes Cemetery, Hutchison Road, Crosshill on Thursday, April 8, 2021 followed by a private family, Celebration of Eileen's Life, at Crosshill Mennonite Church, 2537 Hutchison Road, Crosshill. Pastor Julie Ellison-White officiating. In celebration and memory of Eileen, donations may be made to Mennonite Central Committee "A Chance to Sew" (Cambodia Education) or Crosshill Mennonite Sewing Circle. Eileen's family is so grateful for all the amazing people who have been part of her life these past few years. Thanks to Dr. Brian Finn and colleagues for Eileen's ongoing health care. Thank you to her neighbours and friends at Luther Village. She valued your friendship. Thank you to her new community at The Village at University Gates Retirement Living. You quickly became "family" to her and she appreciated you all so very much. A very special thank you to an amazing team of doctors, nurses, palliative doctors, palliative care coordinators and social workers on the 6th floor at St. Mary's

General Hospital. You are the personification of kindness, caring and compassion. We will forever be grateful to all of you for walking with us on Mom's final journey.

[www.futher-franklinfuneralhome.com](http://www.futher-franklinfuneralhome.com)

The funeral service will be recorded and the video link will be posted here following the funeral service.

You may follow the link below to donate to the Mennonite Central Committee.

[www.mcccanada.ca](http://www.mcccanada.ca)

You may donate to Crosshill Mennonite Church by contacting the funeral home at 519-656-2880

# Cemetery Details

## Rush's Cemetery

1915 Hutchison Road  
Crosshill, ON N0K1L0 (CA)

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 7. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Futher-Franklin Funeral Home  
1172 Henry Street  
Wellesley, ON N0B 2T0 (CA)

## Visitation

APR 7. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Futher-Franklin Funeral Home  
1172 Henry Street  
Wellesley, ON N0B 2T0 (CA)

# Tribute Wall



“ *Eileen Roth*

January 17, 2023 at 11:01 AM



“ *Hello to Karen and families  
My sincere sympathy to you on the loss of your mom, the "energizer bunny"! Since I am a recent addition to the Crosshill church family, I did not know your mom well. But every time I was at Sewing Circle, I heard how many comforter tops your mom had pieced and we got busy knotting them! May God continue to cover you with His great love and healing as you grieve your loss. The service was a great tribute to your mom's life. Esther and Bruce Cressman*

**Esther Cressman** - April 10, 2021 at 08:52 AM



“ *1 file added to the album Memories Album*



**Chris Franklin** - April 08, 2021 at 07:46 PM



*Due to technical issues, 5 minutes of video were not captured. We apologize for this omission.*

**Chris Franklin** - April 08, 2021 at 08:23 PM

SR

“ Our deepest sympathies to the entire Roth family. We enjoyed renting the family cottage at Chesley for several years. That definitely was Dave and Eileen’s happy place and it was so nice that they shared it with us. Now we have our own cottage at Chesley but whenever we walk by their cottage we think of them!! We will also miss Chatting with Eileen at church. Sending prayers.  
*Stephanie and Marshall Roth.*

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**Stephanie Roth** - April 08, 2021 at 08:45 AM

LG

*Ron, Bonnie and entire Roth family,  
Our deepest condolences on your loss ! May all the wonderful memories you have of your mother / mother-in-law/ grandmother /aunt help to ease your sadness and loss .  
In sympathy,  
Linda and Brian Greer*

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**Linda Greer** - April 08, 2021 at 11:31 AM

VB

“ Our condolences to the family as you mourn your loss! She will be greatly by her church family! Rob & Val Bender

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**Val Bender** - April 08, 2021 at 07:59 AM

BB

“ Karen, Stuart, Ron, Bonnie & families. We're very saddened to hear of Eileens passing. We'd like to send our Very Deepest Condolences to all of you. She was a very Special Mother, Mother-In-Law, Grandmother, Great-Grandmother & Great Friend, Nieghbour & Co-Worker. We were Dave and Eileens neighbours for 14years and those were our greatness neighbours. We had lots of great times and she taught me so much about certain flowers especially her beautiful Begonias she had at the back of the house. Now I enjoy my Begonias for what she taught me and I think of her each year when tending to my Begonias. Also working with her at the Cider Mill when she cooked Apple Butter then she would go home and she'd start another day with sewing or whatever had to be done she could turn you in circles. Her energy was unending. What a great Lady. She is now at peace and her work is done. Cherish all those great memories together as her Family. God Bless All.

*Roger & Bonnie Battler, Tracy & Brad*

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**Bonnie Battler** - April 07, 2021 at 03:08 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Eileen Roth.



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April 06, 2021 at 01:49 PM

CE

“ Karen , Ron and families  
I will miss your Mom greatly.  
Before Covid shutdown I usually had a conversation with your Mom  
at the church coat rack!  
She was so energetic and fun to visit with. We always had some  
conversation around sewing and I couldn't believe what she  
accomplished.....she actually made me tired!!  
She was a wonderful lady whom I will never forget. I'm so sorry that  
I can't play piano for her funeral.  
May God grant all you peace and safety as you bring closure to a  
loved one.  
Blessings  
Larry and Carol Erb

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**Carol Erb** - April 06, 2021 at 09:49 AM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the  
family of Eileen Roth.



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April 06, 2021 at 12:00 AM

RD

“ Eileen and Dave were such great neighbours growing up in Wellesley. Our condolences to Karen and her family and Ronnie and his family. I remember Eileen always let me come over and raid her garden for peas once they were ready to pick and introduced me and my sisters to Whoopie Pies. Your mom will be missed.  
Lots of love,  
Rochelle Doherty (Lachance) and family  
And  
Carol Lachance

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**Rochelle Doherty** - April 05, 2021 at 06:31 PM

LO

“ Eileen and Dave were wonderful neighbors of the Omand family in Wellesley. Thinking of you at this time. Lottie Omand

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**Lottie omand** - April 05, 2021 at 01:58 PM

SK

“ Our deepest sympathy to you, Ron and Karen and your families. I remember your mom as always happy, upbeat and very energetic. She was a ray of sunshine and now she can shine brightly, totally free in her heavenly home with those already there waiting for her. No Restrictions in heaven!! - Stan and Fran

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**Stan and Fran Klassen** - April 05, 2021 at 11:18 AM



“ Chris Franklin lit a candle in memory of Eileen Roth



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**Chris Franklin** - April 03, 2021 at 07:42 PM

DD

*I send my deepest sympathy to you Ron and Karen and families. Your Mom was a wonderful neighbour. Trust God;s all wise wisdom And doubt the Father never. For in His heavenly kingdom There is nothing lost forever.*

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**Dianne Dietz** - April 05, 2021 at 02:06 PM