



Ellen Ruth Brush

February 26, 1939 - November 23, 2018

The White Funeral Home
Schenectady

Ellen Ruth Brush (Elias), 79, passed away peacefully at Pathways Nursing Home in Schenectady on November 23, 2018 after courageously fighting the effects of a devastating stroke 5 ½ years earlier.

She was born in Bronx, NY and grew up in Schenectady, where she graduated from Linton High School. She had lived in Indiana, California, and Scotia, NY. She worked in dining services at Sunnyview Hospital (30+yrs), and Scotia-Glenville Schools.

Ellen was a kind and compassionate woman who could always find the good side of any person or situation. She was thrifty and resourceful with the ability to create wonderful gifts with her insightful skills. She always had the time and energy to assist others and encourage them to help themselves. Ellen was diverse and supportive with an interpersonal skill-set that allowed her to blend in with almost any group at any time. She enjoyed playing bingo, helping children, a good casino adventure, and tending to her garden. She loved PEOPLE, (all varieties!), cardinals, morning glories, tulips, roses and a casual picnic in any park.

She was predeceased by her sister, Cathy; her children, Eric Brush and Erin Brush; as well as her significant other of 35 years, James Alfree. She is survived by her son, Edwin Brush Jr. (Cindy) and her grandsons, Duane, William, and Ira. She is also survived by Mr. Alfree's daughter Dawn and her two sons, David and Dallas.

There will be a Celebration of Life at The White Funeral Home, 264 N. Ballston Ave. (Rte 50), Scotia, NY on Saturday, December 1st at 11:00 am. There will be no viewing hours, as per her request. No mourning, just reflecting and celebrating. Casual dress, purple (her favorite color), Hawaiian shirts, or tie-dye, is all acceptable attire.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the City Mission of Schenectady.

Events

DEC **Celebration of Life** 11:00AM

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264 North Ballston Avenue, Scotia, NY, US, 12302

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Eddie Brush - November 26, 2018 at 08:27 PM



“ Well she is my grandma so I have a lot of stories. When she went to highschool graduation. When I would stay with her for a week while my grandfather and grandmother Betty would go on cruises and I would always flood grandma house some how. I love you and will miss her but at least she isn't suffering anymore.

William Masters - November 26, 2018 at 07:20 PM



“ Always friendly. Raised Eddie to be the fun loving friend we are proud to have as a friend and be part of our family.

Denise Waldron - November 26, 2018 at 06:44 PM