



Elizabeth E. "Betsy" Pelis

April 6, 1951 - November 24, 2025

Elizabeth "Betsy" Ellen Pelis, 74, of Fitchburg, MA, passed away surrounded by her family on Monday, November 24, 2025.

Betsy was born on April 6, 1951, to the late Elizabeth (Mullins) and William Boyle of Hatfield, MA. Growing up in a farming family, Betsy developed a lifelong love of gardening that flourished throughout the years. Her home is surrounded by vibrant rows of vegetables, fragrant herbs, and bursts of colorful flowers each

lovingly tended by Betsy. She shared her love of gardening with family and friends with fresh zucchini

bread, cakes, homemade preserves and pies made by her hands. Her chocolate zucchini "Gramie cake"

was a favorite of both family and friends every summer.

Betsy moved to Fitchburg, MA to pursue her calling in nursing at Fitchburg State College, where she

earned both her Bachelor and then Master of Science in Nursing degrees.

Dedicated to caring for others

throughout her life, Betsy worked in the public health sector with visiting nurses before continuing her

career as a psychiatric nurse at Burbank Hospital.

Betsy is survived by her loving husband of 57 years, Wayne "Dober" Pelis, son Nathan Pelis and wife

Sarah Pelis, daughter Megan Pelis and husband Myles Jen Kin; and her cherished grandchildren Padraic Pelis, Henry Jen Kin, and Margo Jen Kin who brought her immeasurable joy. She also leaves behind her devoted Golden Retriever Baylee, sister Sharon Ann Lapointe and husband Carl, brother William Boyle, sister-in law Martha Schurch and husband Greg, and many nieces, nephews, extended family and friends.

Calling hours will be held from 10:00 AM -11:30 AM on Saturday November 29, 2025, at DROZDAL FUNERAL HOME OF NORTHAMPTON, MA. A prayer service will begin at 11:30 AM in the Funeral Home, followed by her burial at Calvary Cemetery, Hatfield. In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made in Betsy's memory to the Sterling Animal Shelter.

For additional information or to offer the family your condolences, kindly visit Drozdalfuneralhome.com.

Previous Events

Calling Hours

NOV **29**. 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM (ET)

Drozdal Funeral Home
120 Damon Rd
Northampton, MA 01060
(413) 584-5306
<https://drozdalfuneralhome.com/>

Prayer Service

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Tribute Wall

KM

“ I have so many fun memories of Betsy from all the time I spent at the Boyle Farm with my aunt and uncle and cousins. Being the traveling cousin with no tobacco picking experience, William would always put me in the barn hanging tobacco. Betsy was always helping me learn what to do and how to do it right. She was always fun and sometimes sarcastic and made it memorable for. She was a very special woman and you all are so lucky to have had her in your lives. I know she made me feel that way. Our hearts go out to all of you. We are making a donation to the shelter in her name. I will sorely miss our conversations. I love you kiddo, Kevin and Elyse Mullins

Kevin Mullins - November 29, 2025 at 02:44 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Elizabeth E. "Betsy" Pelis.



November 28, 2025 at 12:08 PM

BN

“ Betsy was one of my mom's best friends. I will never forget her kindness and her humor over the years the years. She was what my Mom called an "Earth Angel."

Brian Nicholson - November 26, 2025 at 04:21 PM

KN

“ Krysiak Avenue Neighbors planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Elizabeth E. "Betsy" Pelis.

Krysiak Avenue Neighbors - November 26, 2025 at 03:13 PM

KN

“ Krysiak Avenue Neighbors purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Elizabeth E. "Betsy" Pelis.



Krysiak Avenue Neighbors - November 26, 2025 at 03:13 PM

AF

“ Very sorry for your loss Wayne, Nate and Megan. Betsy, thank you for dedicating a lifetime to helping others. Rest comfortably in eternal peace.

Alan Frechette - November 26, 2025 at 03:03 PM

JN

“ Jessica Waugh neighbor planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Elizabeth E. "Betsy" Pelis.

Jessica Waugh neighbor - November 26, 2025 at 02:49 PM

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“ Jessica Waugh neighbor purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Elizabeth E. "Betsy" Pelis.



Jessica Waugh neighbor - November 26, 2025 at 02:49 PM

CM

“ Our condolences to your entire family, thinking of you all. Chris & Diane Mullins & Family

Chris Mullins - November 26, 2025 at 11:16 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Elizabeth E. "Betsy" Pelis.



November 26, 2025 at 10:40 AM

SR

“ So very Sorry for you loss Cousin Wayne...Hugs,Prayers and Thoughts go out to You and Rest of the Family....

Shirley Ring - November 26, 2025 at 07:31 AM



“ Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Elizabeth E. "Betsy" Pelis.



November 25, 2025 at 09:00 PM

JC

“ Jack and Charlene planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Elizabeth E. "Betsy" Pelis.

Jack and Charlene - November 25, 2025 at 03:23 PM

JC

“ Jack and Charlene purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Elizabeth E. "Betsy" Pelis.



Jack and Charlene - November 25, 2025 at 03:23 PM