Obituary of Maria Carroll

Maria Kathryn Carroll, 78 of William Drive, Middletown RI passed away on Saturday, January 9, 2016 at Forest Farm Nursing Center in Middletown.

Born February 23, 1937 in Philadelphia, PA, she was the daughter of the late John H. and Sarah C. (Landy) Carroll. She was the sister of the late William J. Carroll.

Maria graduated with a Bachelor's Degree in nursing from Northern Illinois University and later earned her Master's degree in Nursing from George Washington University.

She served as **US Navy Nurse** for 30 years and retired as a captain. Among her assignments, she served as the director of Nursing Services at the Naval Hospitals in Newport RI and Oakland CA.

During the Gulf War she was the **Chief Nurse on the USNS Mercy**, the Navy's one thousand-bed hospital ship.

She was a parishioner of St. Lucy's Church where she was involved in a number of organizations and activities and a member of the **Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians.**

She had the distinguished honor of being selected the recipient of the 2008 Civitas Award by the city of Newport. She was also the president of both the Navy Nurse Corps Association and the New England Navy Nurse Corps Association.

She is survived by her brother John H Carroll Jr. and his wife Dolores of Andover, MA.

She will be sadly missed by her 5 nephews and their wives and children. Maria was blessed to have 11 loving great nieces and nephews who will miss her terribly.

A Mass of Christian burial will be held on Thursday, January 14, 2016 at St. Lucy's Church, 909 West Main Road, Middletown at 9:00 am. Burial will be held at Calvary Cemetery in Philadelphia. Visiting hours will be held in the O'Neill-Hayes Funeral Home, 465 Spring Street, Newport on Wednesday, January 13, 2016 from 4-7pm. Obituary of Maria Carroll

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made in Maria's name to St Francis de Sales School, Attn: Sister Mary McNulty, Principal, 917 South 47th Street, Philadelphia, PA 19143.

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