



Mary Ellen Crow

June 13, 2026

Mary Ellen Crow of Dover Centre passed away peacefully at Riverview Gardens in Chatham on Saturday, June 13, 2026 at the age of 88. Mary Ellen was the daughter of the late Walter Joseph & Mary Agatha (Coveny) Harris. Beloved wife of the late Clayton Crow. Loving mother of Colleen Morgulis (Lewis), Maureen Crow, Eileen VanGrinsven (Chris), John Crow (Tricia) and Wayne Crow. Dear grandmother of Elizabeth (Jeremy), Siobhan (Darius), Sierra (Nessa), Christine (Art), Heather (Gonzalo), Curtis (Courtney), Ashley (Dan), Andrea (Talia), Sarah, Meagan (Garren) and Jack. She had a special bond with each of her grandchildren. She had many great-grandchildren whom she also adored; Mia, Zari, Olivia, Lucy, Ruby, Reed, Lucas, Emily, Mackenzie and Austin. She was the sister of Teresa Lucier (the late Don), sister-in-law to the late Marlene Massender (the late Larry) and the late Wayne Crow and an aunt to her nieces and nephews Clare Quinlan (John), Bill Lucier (Gwen), Pat DeRidder (Pat), and the late Brian (and late Jackie) Crow.

Mary Ellen loved many things in her life, especially family, and her late husband Clayton. He was her best friend and the love of her life for 65 years. Mary Ellen loved family traditions and holidays; she loved hosting the family for Christmas, and welcomed all the many boyfriends and girlfriends, extended family, and friends; eventually, the Christmas table spilled into the living room. She loved attending your important events, baptisms, confirmations, concerts, games, parties and she would make time to make

your day brighter. Mary Ellen loved the people she knew, and the new ones she met everyday. She loved her community and was a proud Canadian and proud resident of Chatham-Kent. She gave her time to the Catholic Women's League, was the first female counselor for Dover Township, was a lay reader at Holy Family Parish, a communion minister, a lifelong supporter of the Liberal party, and chaired the Dresden Fair.

There wasn't a garage sale in the area that she hadn't visited, or bought something at, and that gave her a chance to meet so many more people. With Mary Ellen you knew where you stood, she had a sharp wit, was outspoken, and had a great sense of humour. She led by example and taught her family about hard work, showing us that if there was time left in the day, there was probably something that needed to be done. She worked with Clayton farming side by side, built steel grain bins, and kept farming until the age of 85. She will be remembered for her contagious laugh, her love of family and her great faith in God.

Family and friends are invited to gather for a visitation at the Haycock-Cavanagh Funeral Home, located at 409 Nelson Street in Wallaceburg, from 5:00 to 8:00 PM on Thursday, June 18, 2026. The Funeral Mass of the Resurrection will be celebrated at Holy Family Church in Wallaceburg on Friday, June 19, 2026 at 11:00 am. Mary Ellen will be laid to rest beside Clayton following Mass at Riverview Cemetery. If desired, donations to Catholic Women's League or Alzheimer Society may be left at the funeral home.

Today's Events

Visitation

JUN 18. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Haycock-Cavanagh Funeral Home
409 Nelson Street
Wallaceburg, ON N8A 4G9 (CA)
(519) 627-3231
contact@cavanaghfuneralhome.ca
<https://www.cavanaghfuneralhome.ca>

Upcoming Events

Funeral Mass

JUN 19. 11:00 AM (ET)

Holy Family Church
647 Murray Street
Wallaceburg, ON N8A 1W2 (CA)

Tribute Wall

GC

“ *Greg & Kathy Charron*



Greg & Kathy Charron - Yesterday at 02:22 PM

BA

“ *Sorry to read about Mary Ellen. We spent a lot of Saturday nights playing cards. She is now playing with Clayton and many friends that have gone before.*

Bob and Pat Andruchow - Yesterday at 02:17 PM

DA

“ *Dennis And Annmarie Alexander lit a candle in memory of Mary Ellen Crow*



Dennis and Annmarie Alexander - Yesterday at 01:16 PM

MV

“ *To all of Mary Ellen's family, we are so sorry for your loss. She was such a vibrant lady all her life and a real people person. She loved her family and had a lot of fun with all of you. You are all in our thoughts and prayers-Love, Mary and Lionel*



Mary VanDamme - Yesterday at 12:16 PM

JE

“ Sending our heartfelt condolences to the Crowe family.
Sincerely,
Dave & Jean (VanDamme) Elliott



Jean Elliott - Yesterday at 11:42 AM

GM

“ George McGaffey lit a candle in memory of Mary Ellen Crow



George McGaffey - Yesterday at 10:26 AM

LO

“ To all of the Crow family,
We are so sorry to hear of Mary Ellen’s passing. The many stories, chats, and laughs shared over the years will always be remembered —there were so many.
Mary Ellen will be deeply missed and remembered.
Thinking of you all during this difficult time.
Stuart, Lorrie Handsor and family

Lorrie - Yesterday at 09:55 AM

DL

“ My condolences 🙏



Dave Low - Yesterday at 09:23 AM

MH

“ *Merle And Shelly Hazzard lit a candle in memory of Mary Ellen Crow*



Merle and Shelly Hazzard - Yesterday at 08:44 AM

MV

“ *Mike Vandenberg lit a candle in memory of Mary Ellen Crow*



Mike Vandenberg - Yesterday at 08:08 AM

MP

“ *Mitzi Pearson lit a candle in memory of Mary Ellen Crow*



Mitzi Pearson - Yesterday at 08:08 AM

PM

“ *To all the families: Our deepest sympathies in your loss. May all the good memories help you all thru this time of sorrow.*

Patti (Dunlop) McGee



Patricia A McGee - Yesterday at 07:58 AM

SC

“ We are so sorry to hear about Mary Ellen, our thoughts are with all of you .



Sherry Dave Crowe - Yesterday at 07:32 AM

KW

“ Ken And Janet Wade lit a candle in memory of Mary Ellen Crow



Ken and Janet Wade - Yesterday at 07:25 AM

AF

“ I am so so sorry to hear of Mary Ellens passing .. when I came home from Alberta I would see her at the church .. she is now resting with her beloved Clayton... sending love to all of her children and family, and especial her sister Theresa .. love Anne Marie Fraleigh



Anne Marie Fraleigh - June 16 at 11:25 PM

KB

“ So sorry about your moms passing Maureen. My thoughts are with you and family at your mothers passing. Karla Baxter

karla baxter - June 16 at 11:07 PM

MF

“ Malcolm , Dana Crowe & Family lit a candle in memory of Mary Ellen Crow



Malcolm , Dana Crowe & Family - June 16 at 09:30 PM

JB

“ Joanne Bassett(stevenson) lit a candle in memory of Mary Ellen Crow



joanne bassett(stevenson) - June 16 at 09:25 PM

TS

“ We will miss her smile and the laughter she brought to everyone at rvg! It was a privilege to have been a part of both Mary Ellen and Claytons care...they became more then just residents they were our family..may she rest in peace

Tabatha Schives - June 16 at 09:04 PM

MF

“ Mary Ellen was a great lady. No one was like her. I recall many election campaigns where she always played a central role, urging people on and getting the work done. She will be missed by many. Sincere condolences to the family.

Michael Ferguson - June 16 at 08:18 PM

JD

“ So sorry for your loss.
Janet and Montie DeBuck



Janet DeBot - June 16 at 07:42 PM

PC

“ *Paul And Mary Caron lit a candle in memory
of Mary Ellen Crow*



Paul and Mary Caron - June 16 at 07:32 PM

CC

“ *Sending condolences to the Crow family and
friends. She will be missed by all who were
fortunate to have known her. Ron and I
enjoyed many laughs and farm talks during
coffee breaks with her and Clayton. Rest in
Peace dear friend, you have earned it. Carol Caron*



Carol Caron - June 16 at 07:26 PM

JS

“ *So sorry for your loss , we always talked when we'd run into each
other at No Frills .*

James Snary - June 16 at 06:25 PM

SK

“ So sorry to hear of Mary Ellen's passing. Mary Ellen & Clayton were always a good neighbours. Our condolence to the Crow family.

Stephen & Louisa Kearns



Stephen Kearns - June 16 at 06:01 PM

SO

“ *Condolence to all Mary Ellen family*



Sandy Ouellette - June 16 at 05:56 PM

GF

“ *Gerry Flynn lit a candle in memory of Mary Ellen Crow*



Gerry Flynn - June 16 at 05:40 PM

PL

“ *Pat/Gail Lucier lit a candle in memory of Mary Ellen Crow*



Pat/Gail Lucier - June 16 at 03:51 PM

EJ

“ Our condolences to Mary Ellen's huge family and so, so many friends. She always had time for a visit when ever our paths crossed.

Eileen and Lyle Jardine - June 16 at 03:49 PM

FF

“ So sorry to read of Mary Ellen's passing. We worked together in Chatham's Chrysler's office in the 50's and also shared the same friends and many fun times. Mary Ellen was a true fun filled friend and a joy to be around. Will keep all of you in my prayers. May she RIP.

Frances (Lozon) FitzGerald - June 16 at 02:04 PM

LL

We have fun memories of Mary Ellen over the years. Clayton and Mary Ellen played a lot of Pepper games with my parents, Rosaire and Theresa Sterling. Some memories include going to the Penny Sales in Wallaceburg, followed by a night snack at the Chinese restaurants. Will miss her contagious laugh and great sense of humour.

Lucille & Junior Lucier

Lucille Lucier - June 16 at 04:54 PM

NS

“ Nancy And Todd Sharrow sent a virtual gift in memory of Mary Ellen Crow



Nancy And Todd Sharrow - June 16 at 02:01 PM

LM

“ *Lorne and Wendy McCreary lit a candle in memory of Mary Ellen Crow*



Lorne and Wendy McCreary - June 16 at 10:29 AM

SB

“ *Condolences to all of Mary Ellen's family.*

Sophia Brown - June 16 at 10:07 AM