

Ellen Elizabeth Parks Roche

7/19/1950 – 3/08/2024

Burial location in St. Mary Cemetery is in S10-04-10-04a. (Cremains plot)

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Bay St. Louis, Mississippi - Ellen Elizabeth Parks Roche passed away on Friday, March 8, 2024 in New Orleans after a brief illness. Born in New Orleans on July 19, 1950 she grew up in a large family in Lakeshore and was truly dedicated to family from a very young age. She was a loving caretaker, a loyal friend and her kindness, compassion and love of sports had a huge impact on all who met her.

Ellen attended high school in New Orleans at Mount Carmel Academy before graduating from C.E. Byrd High School in Shreveport. She attended LSU in Baton Rouge and met & married Kenny Roche in 1971. She was a loving, dedicated mother who volunteered in various roles including youth sports coach, PTA and Junior League. Ellen was a life long LSU fan who also loved cheering on her grandchildren at various baseball & soccer games, tennis matches & gymnastics meets. She was an avid reader, loved the beach and her animals, especially her faithful cats.

She was preceded in death by her parents John Parks, Jr., and Nell Slattery Parks of New Orleans and her brother Robert Parks of Baton Rouge. Survivors include her husband Kenneth L. Roche, Jr., children Kenneth "Trey" Roche, III (Jennifer), Chris Roche (Jamie) and Erin Roche Casey (Brad). Her beloved grandchildren are Emily Roche, Carter Roche, Liam Casey, Molly Roche & Sullivan Casey. Her siblings will miss their daily conversations and messages greatly. They include Rickie Parks Sevadjan (Charles) of San Diego, Buddy Parks (Cathy) of Baton Rouge, Mike "Paco" Parks (Roz) of New Roads, and Bill Parks (Michele) of Pensacola. Ellen's close knit extended family includes her uncle, Bill Slattery, of Shreveport, many loving nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends too numerous to mention. Per Ellen's wishes, we will be honoring her with a "Celebration of Life" gathering with family and friends on March 18, 2024 in Bay St. Louis at The Loft, upstairs at 108 S. Beach Blvd. from 2-4pm.

