



## Janet M. (Whellahan) Gormick

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Vancouver, British Columbia

Janet M. (Whellahan) Gormick, age 65, beloved sister of Sr. Sharon Whellahan, CSJ. of Historic Old St. John's Church, passed away on April 27, 2006 in the Palliative Care Unit of Vancouver General Hospital. Her passing occurred after a brief struggle with Adrenal Carcinoma.

Janet enjoyed a lifelong career in Professional Nursing, beginning at St. Joseph's Hospital School of Nursing, Syracuse, NY in 1958 where she nursed in pediatrics following graduation. She completed a Bachelor of Science with a major in Public Health Nursing in a joint program at the Upstate Medical Center and Syracuse University in 1964. Janet then helped open the first Psychiatric Daycare Unit in North America at St. Joseph's where she served first as Head Nurse and then Supervisor for 3 years. Janet then began teaching pediatric and psychiatric nursing in one of President Lyndon Johnson "Great Society" Manpower Programs. In 1971 Janet completed a Master of Nursing program at UCLA as a Psychiatric Clinical Nurse Specialist and a Post Masters Community Mental Health Consultant program. Janet taught Psychiatric nursing for 26 years at the University of British Columbia in Vancouver during which time she was involved in the development of a UBC model for nursing, theory development and family health at both the undergraduate and graduate level.

Survivors: her sister, Sr. Sharon Whellahan, CSJ. – Historic Old St. John's Church, Utica; an uncle and his wife, William & Ann Whellahan; lifelong friends, Colleen Trody, Susan Trody Huppmann, Edward Trody & Helen Shore.

A Memorial service and Celebration of her life was held in Vancouver, British Columbia.

# Tribute Wall



“ Dear Sister Sharon, I was sorry to read about the loss of your sister. Please accept my deepest sympathy. It has been a long time since I have seen you but you will always have a special place in my heart and the Leach kids. Again, I am so sorry. Love Allie##imported-begin##Allie (Leach) Silsby##imported-end##

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