

## **Eunice Kennedy Shriver will be greatly missed**

Eunice Kennedy Shriver, founder of Special Olympics and executive vice president of the Joseph P. Kennedy, Jr. Foundation, offered joy and self-esteem to individuals with developmental disabilities. She created opportunities for their accomplishments and tenacity to be witnessed worldwide.

When her sister Rosemary was born with an intellectual disability, families were encouraged to discard such children,

and they were routinely warehoused in dehumanizing institutions. Today, while stereotypes and prejudice persist, the world is dramatically different. Individuals with developmental disabilities work in the community, pay taxes, and vote. Shriver's role in this was immense. She will be missed.

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