



## Camilla M. St. Lucia

March 6, 1921 - January 2, 2017

Albany-Camilla M. "Mae" (Falzano) St. Lucia, age 95, at Our Lady of Mercy Life Center, Guilderland, NY, on January 2, 2017, with family by her side. Camilla was born in Nova Scotia, Canada, on March 6, 1921, to the late Amico and Eliza (Belfiglio) Falzano. As a kind and gentle woman all of her life, Mae showed amazing love for her family, her Catholic faith, and her friends. Mae is gone from us on earth to be reunited with her loving husband, Charles H. "Charlie" St. Lucia, who passed away in June 2008. Mae and Charlie were united in marriage during World War II at St. Anthony's Church, Albany, on August 29, 1943. Together in marriage for nearly 65 years, they enjoyed and shared their lives, dedicated to each other and their family.

Mae graduated from Albany High School in 1939. During World War II, she served as a Red Cross Nurses Aide, working nights and weekends at Albany Hospital (now Albany Medical Center). Mae also worked for the State of New York, in the Education Department as well as the Department of Taxation and Finance. For many years, she worked part-time in retail sales and as a bookkeeper while raising her family. She returned to work for the NYS Department of Audit and Control (now the State Comptroller's Office) and retired in 1983 as a Senior Payroll Audit Clerk after twenty-four years of service. Mae was a member of All Saints Catholic Church parish (formerly St. Margaret Mary's) and its Seniors Group. She was also a member of the Civil Service Employees Association and participated in a family bowling league for

many years. Her cooking and baking skills were amazing – green bean salad; family Italian Christmas cookies; Pizzelle waffle cookies; meatballs and sauce; baked chicken (some of these “secret recipes”). Beautiful crocheted afghans, knitted mittens and scarves, and embroidered linens showed Mae’s artistic skills. Along with Charlie, she took loving care of, listened to, talked with, read to, played with, and taught her children and grandchildren with loving pride and tenderness.

Beloved mother of JoAnne Burnside and her husband Raymond of Colonie; Charles St. Lucia, Jr. and his wife Catherine of Delmar; and Lisa Maio and her husband Anthony of Colonie.

Cherished Grandma of Matthew St. Lucia (Lindsay); Daniel Burnside; Erica St. Lucia Hogan (Stephen); Alison Burnside; Carley St. Lucia Burke (Brendan); Julie, Anthony and Nicholas Maio; and four great-grandchildren, Colin and Nathan St. Lucia and Camilla and Charlie Burke.

Also surviving Mae are beloved sisters-in-law and brother-in-law, Lena Campagna, Ann Armento, Beatrice Flood, Joan Drozd and husband Ronald, and Carmel “Dolly” St. Lucia, and her brother, Guido Falzano. Many special nieces and nephews also survive.

In addition to her husband and parents, Mae was predeceased by her loving Falzano brothers and their spouses Gene (Eleanor); Carmen (Joan); Arthur (Jessie); Anthony (Margaret “Peg”); Benedict (Lena); and her sister Yolanda (Falzano) McMahan. Also, sisters-in-law, brothers-in-law, and their spouses Katherine “Kate” Lauraine (Jim); Joseph (Edith) St. Lucia; Charles Campagna; Joseph Armento; Mary (Dominick) Ragone; Anthony St. Lucia; Julia (Michael) Campagna; and Milton Flood have predeceased Mae.

Mae’s family would like to thank the dedicated, nurturing staff at Our Lady of

Mercy Life Center -- Mom's second home and family -- especially the wonderful caregivers and residents of the Rosary Unit, who provided her with gentle and thoughtful care, wonderful conversations and activities, and many songs, smiles and special hugs. Thank you and sending my love from Heaven to all of my "Paisans."

Relatives and friends are invited to visit with Mae's family Friday, January 6, 2017 4:00 to 7:00 pm in McVeigh Funeral Home, 208 North Allen Street, Albany.

Funeral services Saturday, January 7, 2017 at 8:15 am from McVeigh Funeral Home, Albany thence to All Saints Catholic Church, Albany at 9:00 am where a Funeral Mass will be celebrated.

The Rite of Committal will be held immediately following the Mass at Our Lady of Angels Cemetery.

To leave a message for the family, light a candle, obtain directions or view other helpful services please visit [www.McveighFuneralHome.com](http://www.McveighFuneralHome.com)

Mae's family suggests that charitable contributions may be made in her memory to Our Lady of Mercy Life Center, 2 Mercycare Lane, Guilderland, NY 12084.

# Cemetery Details

## Our Lady of Angels Cemetery

1389 Central Ave  
Albany, NY

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 6. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc.  
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Albany, NY 12206  
(518) 489-0188  
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## Service

JAN 7. 9:00 AM (ET)

All Saints Catholic Church  
16 Homestead St.  
Albany, NY 12203

# Tribute Wall



“ *McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of Camilla M. St. Lucia*



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**McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc.** - January 05, 2017 at 02:45 PM



“ *Camilla M. St. Lucia*

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October 08, 2023 at 09:24 PM



“ *Dear Mae (Mrs. St. Lucia) when I first met you. Joanne and I would go to exercise in our black body suits and black tights to be followed by a piece of your delicious apple pie. We never did get into shape but we loved your pie and sitting around your kitchen table with you enjoying your warm loving home with you and Charlie. I'll never forget those days and your sweet and loving ways. Your love and nurturing to your family (and their friends) will forever identify you as a lovely lady. Love, always, Leslie Long*

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**Leslie Long** - January 08, 2017 at 06:56 PM



“ *Lisa and family, I am so sorry for the loss of your mom. May her memory be eternal.*  
*Mary Pat Stackman Googas*

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**mary pat googas** - January 06, 2017 at 03:07 PM

JB

“ Mom, simply stated you will always be in my heart and with me in my life. You provided love, understanding, patience, gentleness, laughter, and honesty to our family. I will always treasure the times we shared, the conversations we had, and the advice you offered. Rest in comfort and peace with Dad and our Lord. xo Loving daughter, JoAnne



Joanne R Burnside - January 05, 2017 at 11:17 PM

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“ We are so sorry to hear about the loss of Mae. What a beautiful person she was. Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you at this difficult time.

Love,  
The McCarg's and Gebhardt's

Karen McCarg Gebhardt - January 04, 2017 at 05:29 PM