



Donna Dedrick Blake

June 30, 1956 - April 7, 2023

Watervliet, NY-Donna Dedrick Blake, née Donna Louise Dedrick, passed away on April 7th, 2023, surrounded by family at Memorial Sloan Kettering Hospital in Manhattan after an intensive battle with leukemia and liver cancer. She was 66 years old.

Donna was born in Albany to her cherished parents, Mary Louise Dedrick and Donald Robert Dedrick. She attended Mercy High School and graduated from Siena College with a degree in accounting. Donna was employed by the State of New York for over 20 years, and retired as an Assistant Director at the Bureau of Contracts in the State Comptroller's Office. She took an eight-year adjournment from her career to work at St. Pius X School as a teacher's assistant, which afforded her more time to do her favorite job, be a mom. Donna met the love of her life at a ballroom dancing class in 1988 and married Jonathan Blake at Blessed Sacrament Church the following year. They had two beautiful and accomplished daughters, Elizabeth Blake (Joseph McGrath) and Katherine Blake. She was thrilled to later step into the role of grandmother to Charles McGrath.

Beloved and treasured by everyone she met, from casual acquaintances to lifelong friends, Donna was known for her kindness, intelligence, quick wit, and humor. She was always up for a game night in, an evening out, or a heartfelt conversation. Donna had a great laugh, a wonderful singing voice,

and the ability to make people feel special.

Defined by her high moral character and deep faith, Donna actively volunteered at St. Pius X Church. Exemplified by her hobbies of genealogy and scrapbooking, family was at the center of everything Donna did.

Relatives and friends are invited to visit with Donna's family Thursday, April 13, 2023 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm at McVeigh Funeral Home, 208 North Allen Street, Albany, NY 12206. Please enter the funeral home from the rear parking lot entrance only.

Funeral services Friday, April 14, 2023 at 11:00 am at St. Pius X Church, Loudonville, NY where her Funeral Mass will be celebrated.

The Mass can be viewed at <https://stpiusxloudonville.org/livestream/current-livestreams/>

The Rite of Committal will be held at St. Agnes Cemetery, Menands, NY immediately following the Funeral Mass.

To leave a special message for the family please visit www.McveighFuneralHome.com

Cemetery Details

St. Agnes Cemetery

48 Cemetery Ave
Menands, NY

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 13. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc.
208 N Allen St
Albany, NY 12206
(518) 489-0188
info@mcveighfuneralhome.com
<http://www.McveighFuneralHome.com>

Service

APR 14. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Pius X Church
23 Crumitie Rd
Loudonville, NY 12211
(518) 462-1336

Tribute Wall



“ *Donna Dedrick Blake*

October 08, 2023 at 09:24 PM



“ *Dear Jonathan and family ,I am so sorry for the loss of your beloved wife and mother.I am praying for your comfort and consolation.Donna taught my granddaughter in religious ed.We are grateful. Ronnie and Victor Barresi*

Veronica Mary Barresi - April 14, 2023 at 06:36 AM



“ *To Donna's Family,
My sincerest sympathy to each of you on the loss of Donna. I worked with Donna years ago, and I always appreciated her professionalism and willingness to help her colleagues wade through the mire of the state accounting system. She was excellent at the task. I am so sorry for your loss. You are in my thoughts and prayers.
Jackie Bevis Bogardus*

Jackie Bevis Bogardus - April 13, 2023 at 07:20 AM



“ *Our sincere condolences to you and your family.*

Al & Chris St. Pierre

Albert L St. Pierre - April 11, 2023 at 10:21 AM



I grew up in the same neighborhood as Donna. My sincere condolences to all.

Deborah Clayton-Trudeau - April 12, 2023 at 08:18 AM