



Josephine "Josie" Sgambelluri Galka

May 25, 1938 - July 28, 2024

Albany - Josephine A. (Sgambelluri) Galka, age 86, passed away peacefully on the morning of July 28, 2024, surrounded by the love of her family after a brief illness. Born in Albany on May 25, 1938, to the late Girolamo and Mary (Fragomeni) Sgambelluri.

Josephine graduated from St. John's High School, class of 1956. After graduating high school, she worked for the New York Telephone Company. Josephine left the work force in 1965 to become a home maker and raise her family. In 1978 when her youngest son started school, she returned to the workforce working for the Federal Government, Department of Defense at the old Scotia Navy depot, retiring in 2004. She was a communicant of the Blessed Sacrament Church. She held many roles in life, but her most cherished role was being a Nana.

Beloved wife of the late Joseph A. Galka, Sr. Loving mother to Joseph A. Galka Jr., Matthew Galka and his wife Kathleen, Christopher Galka, Stephanie Coleman and the late Michael Galka. Cherished grandmother of Justin (Niki), Michael, Raymond Galka and Catherine (Jared) Joyce. Great-Grandmother of Gabe, Haisley, Rilyn, Grayson, Jasper and Jayden. Sister of Francis Knapp, Jerry Sgambelluri and his wife Sally, Ann Minor-Roberts and the late James Multori, Rose Diotte and Amelia Muia. Also survived by many nieces, nephews and cousins.

The family would thank the Albany Fire Department, The SPH Emergency Room Department, Cardiac Care Unit and most importantly the Hospice Inn for their care and compassion given to their mother during her stay.

Relatives and friends are invited to visit with Josie's family Wednesday, July 31, 2024, 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm at McVeigh Funeral Home, 208 N. Allen Street, Albany, NY 12206. Please enter the funeral home from the rear parking lot entrance only.

Funeral Services Thursday, August 1, 2024 at 9:00 am at Blessed Sacrament Church, 607 Central Ave. (Father John Bradley Way), Albany, NY 12206 where her Funeral Mass will be celebrated.

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

In lieu of flowers, the family request donations be sent to St. Jude's in memory of Josephine

To leave a message for the family or view other helpful services please visit www.mcveighfuneralhome.com.

Cemetery Details

Our Lady of Angels Cemetery

1389 Central Ave
Albany, NY

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 31. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc.
208 N Allen St
Albany, NY 12206
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Service

AUG 1 (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of Josephine "Josie" Sgambelluri Galka*



McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc. - July 30, 2024 at 10:51 PM

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Joe and family,

Sorry to hear of your mother's passing. I'll keep her in my prayers.

*Nancy Wiley
Andy's mom*

Nancy Wiley - July 30, 2024 at 08:42 PM

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“ *Stephanie and family,
My first time meeting Josephine was at St Jude's fundraiser with Stephanie. We had a wonderful day! She is a lovely woman. Our deepest sympathies to Stephanie and all her family!*

Cynthia Zilkowski, Vic, Rachel, Tori and Noah Jones

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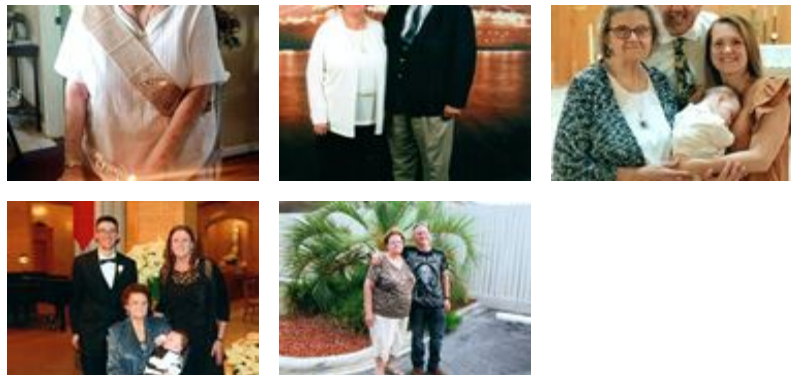
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“ *I'm sorry for your loss Galka family. My prayers and thoughts are with you. Jason Salamida.*

Jason Salamida - July 30, 2024 at 07:47 PM



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“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Josephine "Josie" Sgambelluri Galka.*



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“ *Josie was always a great Mother in Law to me and an amazing grandma to Raymond. I will miss her greatly!!*

Colleen McNulty - July 30, 2024 at 03:58 PM



“ *Our Condolences to the family.*
Daniel Statile

Dan Statile - July 30, 2024 at 02:05 PM