



Marie R. Kelly

October 18, 1930 - February 24, 2018

Albany-On Saturday February 24, 2018 Marie Ruth Kelly was reunited with her son Robert, parents Marie and Robert Weinman, sister Helen, brothers Robert, and Louis, dear aunt, Ruth Ann Stark, a garden of treasured family and close friends, and Our Lord.

In her autobiography Marie wrote, "It has always been my belief that my Creator placed me in this life to be touched by other human beings and, in turn, to touch others' lives in a positive way. I am thankful for all the wonderful people who have filled my life with joy, beauty, knowledge, ideas, compassion, love friendship, and for all of the wonderful gifts bestowed upon me by my loving, understanding, and forgiving God. "

Marie was born on October 18, 1930 in Albany, New York. She attended Albany Public School 16, Blessed Sacrament School, and Vincentian Institute. Upon graduation she went to work at the telephone company, then Ball, George & Company.

On June 23, 1951 she married John E. Kelly. Their marriage would set a beautiful example of cooperation, support, understanding, strength, and devotion. Marie and John would welcome seven children into their family, Susan Marie, John III, Jim, Robert, Annie, Margie, and Mike.

She found her deepest peace in her garden, renewing her connection with nature. She treasured quiet moments planting and weeding with St. Francis in the shade of the birch tree on Cleveland Street.

As a Eucharistic minister Marie was a vital member of Blessed Sacrament Parish. She was an integral member of the RENEW program, encouraging Catholics to strengthen their faith. For fifteen years she also worked with the parish's RCIA program with Catechumen candidates. She also enjoyed her work in the library at Blessed Sacrament School which quickly grew from volunteering to reshelving books to managing the library. When she retired from that position in 1985 she continued to volunteer in classes reading to children, often writing her own books to share with them. Most importantly, Marie led by example with lessons to us all in the value of an honorable life based in faith, humility, honesty, patience, hard work, responsibility, generosity, and above all, kindness.

As she goes her way, she leaves her family with happy memories of afternoons on the dock, sunsets at Race Point, magical Christmases, creative art projects, thousands of games of Scrabble, and the delicious dinners that brought us all to the table together. We are especially grateful for the light she lit, the imagination she encouraged, and character she built in each of us that guide every day.

In the last years of her life, when illness confronted her, she met her challenges with courage, gratitude, and grace. We are grateful for Linda McTague and Lisa Cook whose care for Marie allowed her to remain in her home as long as possible. Marie's family would also like to thank every nurse and aide at the Marjorie Doyle Rockwell Center and Eddy Village Green

House Four who stopped for a moment to hold her hand and share a smile and a kind word. Your work has not gone unrecognized or unappreciated. She saw God in your work and your smiles.

Her life lives on in her husband John; sister Lucille Moriarty (Tim); children Susan Marie (Steve Shepherd), John III (Honey-Jo), Jim (Nancy), Annie (Bill Flaspohler) , Margie Amodeo(David), and Mike (Susie Nagengast and Goldie too); grandchildren John IV (Alissa), Tim, and Kevin Kelly, Matthew(Heather), and Nicholas (Kristen) Kelly, Zachary and Benjamin Amodeo; great-grandchildren Declan, Finnegan, and Sawyer; twenty-six dear nieces and nephews; and so many others whose lives she touched.

Relatives and friends are invited to attend Marie's Funeral Mass Wednesday, February 28, 2018 at 9:00 am in Blessed Sacrament Church, Albany, NY, celebrated by dear family friend, Father John Bradley.

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

There will be no public visitation.

Those wishing to remember Marie Kelly in a special way may send a contribution to Blessed Sacrament School Library, 605 Central Ave., Albany, NY 12206.

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

Cemetery Details

Our Lady of Angels Cemetery

1389 Central Ave
Albany, NY

Previous Events

Service

FEB **28**. 9:00 AM (ET)

Blessed Sacrament Church
607 Central Ave (Father John Bradley Way)
Albany, NY 12206
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Tribute Wall



“ *Marie R. Kelly*

October 08, 2023 at 09:24 PM



“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Sally Reckner - February 27, 2018 at 06:56 PM



“ *Such a dear lady. Several years ago we were backyard neighbors, with wonderful visits over her garden fence. She would hire my son to water her garden when away-a good experience for him. I often think of her warmth and kindness and wisdom, especially when I'm gardening. My sympathy to dear Mr. Kelly and all the family, Sally Reckner Vonie*



Sally Reckner - February 27, 2018 at 06:54 PM



“ *Margie, my deepest sympathies to you and your family on the loss of your mom.*

Donna Burton - February 27, 2018 at 05:17 PM

SF

“ We are saddened to learn of the passing of Mrs. Kelly. We were neighbors of the Kellys for 30 years. Mrs. Kelly was a gentle soul who dedicated her life to her family, church and community. Mrs. Kelly will be truly missed. Our condolences go out to Mr. Kelly and the entire Kelly Family. Rest In Peace Mrs. Kelly.

Joe and Sue Fiorino

Sue Fiorino - February 27, 2018 at 09:56 AM

JM

“ Joan McTague lit a candle in memory of Marie R. Kelly



Joan McTague - February 27, 2018 at 06:12 AM

MT

“ So Sorry to hear of Marie's passing/ Haven't seen John in awhile and was concerned for him. She was such a sweet woman. Everyone who met them were in love with them. i am very saddened and sorry for you may you know that all , who met them remembered them.
we at applbee's will remember her Spirit and Her Niceness

Hugs and Prayers Mel

Mel Toma - February 26, 2018 at 06:22 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Marie R. Kelly.*



February 26, 2018 at 03:53 PM



“ *John and Honey Jo I am so sorry to hear about the loss of your Mom. Please except my sincere condolences. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family at this time.*

Sharon Campbell

Sharon Campbell - February 26, 2018 at 10:50 AM



“ *I am so sorry to hear of Aunt Marie's passing. She was one of the kindest, most sincere people I've ever met. You all were very fortunate to call her Mom. My (and my Family's) thoughts, prayers and condolences go out to you during this time.*

Mark Russo - February 26, 2018 at 10:09 AM

CG

“ Dear Mr. Kelly, Suzie, Johnny, Jim, Margie (The fower girl), Annie, Mike (and Goldie, too): The first time I met your mother in House four, her smile told me everything! People believe once they enter a nursing home, their lives have ended - that is completely false! Marie is a child of God and that will NEVER end! I could tell she loved her God with all her heart, mind, and soul; she shared that with all of us! Just being with her, made your spirit fly; sometimes sing! Her spirit, beliefs, and teachings have grown in each of you! I have never met such a loving, and fun family like the Kelly family! That is Marie's gift to each of you! God is very pleased with Marie and know she is in the palm of his hands at this moment! She will always be in my heart, and her memory will live on! Love you all!



Catherine

Catherine Giroux-Duffy - February 26, 2018 at 06:10 AM

MD

“ Jim and Nancy, i am so sorry to hear about your mom. Grandma Kelly, as she was known as in my classroom at BSS, was one of the kindest women i've ever met. She was so gentle with my students who loved listening to her read each week. I am sure all the wonderful memories of her will bring a smile to your face.

Michele DiPiazza

Michele. DiPiazza - February 26, 2018 at 05:31 AM

KM

“ I am so sorry for the loss of your mother, Jim and siblings. And to Nick losing his beloved grandma . My thoughts and prayers are with you all. God bless the Kelly family.

Kate Mulvaney - February 26, 2018 at 03:21 AM

KL

“ To John, Annie, Jim, Margie, Mike, Suzy and Mr Kelly

I am so very sorry for your loss. Your mom was very special to me. Her smile would always cheer me up. She will always be my chickewawa.

Karen

karen laferriere - February 25, 2018 at 09:18 PM