



## Matilda M. Nagengast

August 13, 1925 - February 6, 2021

East Berne-Matilda Mary Nicklas Nagengast, 95, entered Eternal Life Saturday, February 6, 2021. Born in Albany, she was the daughter of the late George and Matilda Wilpers Nicklas.

Tilli graduated from Vincentian Institute. Before marrying the love of her life, Bernard C. Nagengast in 1947 she worked as a claims insurance secretary. Bernie and Tilli remained devoted to one another for 62 years only ending with his passing in 2009. Family and faith were a constant strength in her life. Throughout the years she had briefly served on the Board of Directors for the Albany Child Guidance Center and Parson Child and Family Center. For 27 years she served on the Board of Directors for Rehabilitation Support Services (RSS) retiring in 2006. After moving to East Berne in 1973 Tilli became a devoted member of St. Bernadette's Church in Berne, serving at different times as a teacher of Catholic Education, Eucharistic Minister, and Parish Counsel President. She also was a 30 year member of the American Legion Auxiliary.

Tilli is survived by her children, Bernard (Carol), Richard, Joanne "Jody", Mary Jean "MJ", Mark, Kathryn Willsie (Ross), Anne Marie Place (Tim), Thomas (MaryEllen), Rosemary Hoffman (Jim) and Brian Nagengast; mother-in-law of

Margaret Vogel-Nagengast. Also survived by 10 grandchildren and 7 great grandchildren.

She was predeceased by her loving husband Bernie, her son Michael, and her sister Rose Mary Nicklas.

Funeral services will be held privately. However a celebration of Tilli's life will be held at a later date.

Those wishing to remember Tilli Nagengast in a special way may send a contribution to either Helderberg Ambulance, 978 Cole Hill Road, East Berne, NY 12059 or East Berne Fire House, 25 Main St., East Berne, NY 12059.

To leave a message for the family, please visit [www.McveighFuneralHome.com](http://www.McveighFuneralHome.com)

# Cemetery Details

## **Our Lady of Angels Cemetery**

1389 Central Ave  
Albany, NY

# Tribute Wall



“ *McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of Matilda M. Nagengast*



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**McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc.** - February 09, 2021 at 03:54 PM

SG

*MJ ,Annie and Family that was a wonderful amazing tribute to your beloved Mom❤️  
I so enjoyed all the great photos  
Such an amazing family !  
Love and prayers 🙏❤️*

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**Sheryl Gallo** - February 09, 2021 at 10:50 PM

PB

*A perfect capturing of Mumzie, her beauty (inside and out), and the amazing family she raised (with Poopsie) and continues to love unconditionally! Hugs & Love to all who will miss her! 🙏😊❤️🙏😊*

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**Patty Blacklock** - February 10, 2021 at 04:25 AM

WW

*Wow!!! that was beautiful❤️😭Love to all the family😊*

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**Waldine Wade** - February 10, 2021 at 10:14 AM

MM

*Beautiful tribute. Sorry for you loss.*

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**Marcia Seminary Molesky** - February 10, 2021 at 02:19 PM

LH

*A beautiful tribute. Thank you for sharing your mom, her incredible life and family with us. My sincere sympathy.*

**Lisa Mahigian Howard** - February 10, 2021 at 04:49 PM

L(

*MJ, Annie and Family, That so beautifully captured the beautiful life of your mom and the wonderful children that loved her. My thoughts are with you all. Keep those memories close to your hearts ❤️ god bless*

**Lynn Catizone (Eriole)** - February 11, 2021 at 09:17 PM

CE

*That just made me cry. Such a beautiful tribute to your beautiful Mom. We love your family. Sending love and big hugs to you all and sincere sympathy 🌸. Love, John and Christine Eppelmann*

**Christine Eppelmann** - February 18, 2021 at 11:00 AM

DK

*Thank you for sharing this beautiful tribute for your Mom. ❤️ She (and your Dad) raised an amazing family—so much love!! So many fine memories... may these keep your hearts full. She will be greatly missed by all who were blessed to know her. Her spirit of kindness and warmth and wonderful laughter will never be forgotten! Our love and sympathy to all of you in this big, beautiful family ❤️ Love Lucy (Diane) and Frank*

**Diane Kopecki** - February 19, 2021 at 06:56 PM



“ *Matilda M. Nagengast*

October 08, 2023 at 09:24 PM

PH

“ *What a beautiful tribute to a beautiful woman. Her smile was wonderful.*

*Our heartfelt sympathy to her amazing family.*

*Pat & Dick*

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**Pat Hopper** - February 17, 2021 at 06:41 PM

AF

“ *Sending my love and condolences to Anne, MJ and all the family. Wonderful memories working with Berne, Michael and Anne in the flower shop for many years. And now knowing the Tillie is with Berne and the other family members in heaven.*

*Arthur Forget'*

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**Arthur P Forget** - February 13, 2021 at 08:36 PM

GS

“ *A beautiful tribute for a wonderful, mother and grandmother, our thoughts and prayers are with your family, Love Gayle and Paul Schulte* ❤️

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**Gayle Marie Schulte** - February 11, 2021 at 10:03 PM

CF

“ *Oh, to have lived such a full and meaningful life as Tilli! What a beautiful soul! I'm so grateful to have known her and Bernie through the years--so many funny stories! My heart goes out to you "kids" .. who carry on her legacy. She loved you dearly.*

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**Connie Filkins** - February 11, 2021 at 03:50 PM

C“

“ I am so sorry for the loss of your mother. I was thinking about her recently. She always seemed to have a smile. Please let me know when you plan to have a memorial.  
February 23, 1946. They were so young.



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**Carolyn Dollard “Linnie”** - February 11, 2021 at 10:36 AM

JR

“ Hi Guys, Jude just sent me your Mom's obit. I can't believe the way word travels on the hill that I hadn't heard. I am so sorry for your loss. Your Mom was such a great lady. I know how incredibly close you all are, please know that thoughts and prayers are with you.  
Love, Jean (Magin) Relyea, Pete and girls.

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**Jean Relyea** - February 11, 2021 at 10:15 AM

MF

“ I am very blessed to have known Tilly and Berne and all their children. So very sorry for your loss. Both of your parents were great people and taught me much of faith and family. She had such an easy smile and surely will be missed.

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**Mary Fargo** - February 10, 2021 at 07:58 PM

JS

“ *My deepest sympathy to all the Nagengast family. Tilli was loved by all, for her sweet smile, loving words and her faith. It was such a pleasure to live across the street from Bernie & Tilli....oh the memories I will always cherish, of this wonderful couple and their family. Love to all of you,  
Jan Slingerland*

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**Jan Slingerland** - February 10, 2021 at 03:05 PM

DB

“ *Tilli brightened every room she was in, and was the epitome of love. The best way to honor someone is to be a little bit like that person, and if everyone who knew Tilli incorporated some of her essence, the world would be a much better place.*

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**Debra Barnes** - February 10, 2021 at 01:36 PM

JM

“ *Anne & the rest of the big family, we are so sorry to hear of Matilda's passing. we want to send our best wishes to your family. Our fond memories together go way back to Gramma Deyo's get togethers & some times at my parents Ed & Mary Murray's house. We miss Bernie so much too but now they'll be together. All our best to you all! Good luck.*

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**James & Maureen Murray** - February 10, 2021 at 12:08 PM

ME

“ *What a beautiful, incredible woman... deeply loved by an awesome family. I am a friend of Mary Jeans and went to VI with Bernie. I've know Mary Jean since she was in First Grade. My little sister Paula was friends with her family and Mary Jean was my mom and dads favorite little girl so she spent much time with us. MJ loved her Mom and they shared so much over the years. I am so sorry to all of you. Much love, Mary Jane Eddy-Smith*

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**mary Jane Eddy-Smith** - February 09, 2021 at 09:32 PM

DN

“ *On behalf of the Nicklas family, I would like to extend our deepest condolences for the loss of your wonderful mother. I didn't get to see your parents often, but what stands out in my memory is your father's great sense of humor and what a sweet gracious lady your mom was. You were so lucky to have her is your life for so long, and she was so lucky to be blessed with so many wonderful and loving children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. What a great legacy. I just finished watching the video which was so wonderfully done and it was heartwarming to see the old pictures of your mom and dad, Aunt Rosemary, Aunt Maude and Uncle George, etc. It seems like all of that generation is gone now and your mom's passing was the end of an era. They were all such good people who cherished God, country and family.*

*From Don Nicklas*

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**Don Nicklas** - February 09, 2021 at 06:26 PM

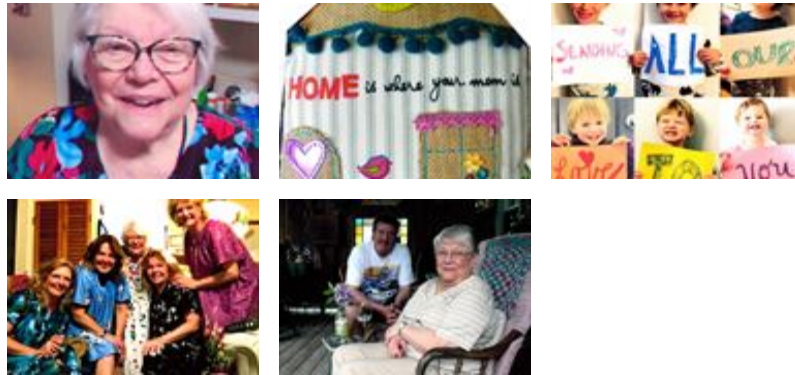
MG

“ *My heartfelt condolences to the entire, Nagengast, family! Your tribute was beautifully done! What a life, & legacy, your mom & dad left!!! 🙏💪🕊️❤️*

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**Mark Gerling** - February 09, 2021 at 06:09 PM

“ 94 files added to the album Life Tributes



McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc. - February 09, 2021 at 03:52 PM

MA

“ We are so very sad to know that our dear neighbor has passed. Her bright smile and eternally positive attitude will be greatly missed by us. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all. We know first hand how difficult care giving can be at times, but it has been such a pleasure to watch you all rally around and lovingly care for Tilly these last few years. Rene, Doug, Sarah & Sam

Maureen Abbott - February 09, 2021 at 01:04 PM

AJ

“ MJ and family,  
So sorry to hear about your mother's passing. May you find comfort and peace in all the beautiful memories. Our sincere condolences,  
Alison & Gary

Alison Jacobs - February 09, 2021 at 12:44 PM

RL

“ Sorry to hear of Tilli's passing. I got to know her when we worked together in Vacation Bible School many years ago. We also live on Warners Lake near their cottage. She was a very special lady. Even though I have not seen her in a long time I will always remember her.

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**Rosemond A Lawson** - February 09, 2021 at 12:43 PM

 Bob  
Duell

“ My condolences to the Nagengast family, R.I.P. Mrs. Nagengast. You were a fine example of someone who made the world a better place !!

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**Bob Duell** - February 09, 2021 at 12:08 PM

LQ

“ Condolences to the entire Nagengast family on their loss. Mrs. Nagengast was such a special woman who raised a magnificent family and welcomed her children's friends into her home with great caring and kindness.

Ours was a great neighborhood with lots of large families and somehow Mrs. Nagengast made time for all of us - what a saint!

All of us who knew her were the better for it.

R.I.P.

Larry Quinn

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**Larry Quinn** - February 09, 2021 at 11:42 AM

DC

“ I am deeply sorry for your loss. Tillie was a very special person. She will be missed by so many. Your family is in my thoughts and prayers.

*Diane Chowenhill*

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**Diane Chowenhill** - February 09, 2021 at 10:37 AM

DM

“ My condolences to the Nagengast family. Wish I could be with you guys in this time of sorrow. You are in my thoughts and prayers. I will never forget Tillie laugh, smile and patience.

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**Dawn Willsie Moons** - February 09, 2021 at 10:24 AM

JB

“ So sorry to learn of Tillie's passing. Such a loving person. RIP

*JoAnn Burkhartt*



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**JoAnn Burkhartt** - February 09, 2021 at 09:43 AM

TF

“ I am so sorry to learn of Tilli's passing. Her thoughtful guidance as a member of the RSS board of directors was invaluable to RSS staff and leadership in our growing and refining services to our recipients. Personally, she was a wonderful person who exemplified every tenet of the Catholic faith. Whenever I saw her I left our meeting feeling very uplifted. God Bless her.

*Tim Fogarty*

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**timothy j fogarty** - February 09, 2021 at 09:09 AM

MO

“ To all the Nagengast's,

*I am so sorry for the loss of you're mom, Oma and great Oma. She was such a sweet and loving person, so full of goodness and light. I know you will all miss her terribly. Take comfort in knowing she is with you're dad, Mikey, and our loving Lord. Sending you all love and hugs.*

*Love,  
Mary and Eric ( Berghela-Orner)*

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**mary orner** - February 08, 2021 at 08:50 PM

WW

“ Mrs. Nagengast was Loved❤️ by all because she was sweet & kind to everyone. But it was her children; loving her, looking after her and enjoying her that was so beautiful. She raised a great family! She was tiny but mighty. RIP Mumzzi😘

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**Waldine Wade** - February 08, 2021 at 12:28 PM

MN

“ Oh Mommy..... I love you with all my heart. I will miss you dearly.  
Love, your daughter Mary Jean

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**MARY NAGENGAST** - February 08, 2021 at 12:21 PM