



Nancy F. Valente

March 25, 1925 - December 14, 2009

Albany-Nancy F. Valente, 84, died Monday, December 14, 2009 at Daughters of Sarah Nursing Home. Born in Albany, she was the daughter of the late John and Frances Alberti DiSanto. Nancy worked for the Watervliet Arsenal, the University Heights Nursing Home, and the Veterans Hospital. She had been a communicant of the former St. Patrick's Church in Albany. She was predeceased in 1994 by her husband, Peter N. Valente Sr.

She was the mother of Peter N. Valente Jr (Sue) of Selkirk, Anna C. Fose of FL, Nancy F. Dougherty (Timothy) of Albany, Mary M. LaMountain (Gary) of Colonie; Deborah Buchan of Watervliet, Karen E. Von Dollen (Christopher) of Guilderland; Linda Lee Travis (Kevin) of FL, George Scott of Guilderland, and Robert L. Scott Jr of CA; sister of Anna Heckman, Frances Hyland, Matteo DiSanto and the late Joseph DiSanto and Mary Giroux; several grandchildren, great grandchildren, nieces and nephews survive her.

Funeral services Friday, December 18, 2009 at 10:00 am from the McVeigh Funeral Home, 208 North Allen Street, Albany thence to St. James Church, Albany at 10:30 am where a Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated.

Relatives and friends are invited and may call Thursday, December 17, 2009 3:00 to 7:00pm in the funeral home. Interment St. Agnes Cemetery, Menands.

Those wishing to remember Nancy in a special way may send a contribution to the American Diabetes Association, P.O. Box 11454 Alexandria, VA 22312 or Alzheimer's Association of Northeastern New York, Pine West Plaza, Bldg 4, Suite 405, Washington Ave. Ext., Albany, NY 12205

To leave the family a special message on their Guest Book; obtain directions or a Prayer Card; or share a photo or E-Card with them, please visit www.McveighFuneralHome.com

Previous Events

Service

DEC 18. 10:30 AM (ET)

St. James Church
391 Delaware Ave
Albany, NT

Tribute Wall



“ *McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of Nancy F. Valente*



McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc. - December 14, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ *Nancy F. Valente*

October 08, 2023 at 09:24 PM



“ Dear Mom, I will miss and "have" missed you more than words can ever express. It comforts me to know that, as shown in the past two weeks, that a part of You and Dad will be always there in our Family Laughter Gatherings :)

Thank you to all of our friends and family for your kind words and expression of your fond memories of Our Dear Mother Nancy. A special thanks to my Sister; Moms name sake, Nancy... Dear Nancy, Thank you for your strength and Grace in your reading of Moms dedication. I am sure I can speak for all of us kids when I say what a Truly Cherished gift your words were and will always be. Love you.....

And finally--

Now that Mom dances and sings upon Angels Wings, here is a poem I'd like to bring...

Work, Walk, Chat, Talk
Lifting, Rising, Gliding, Sailing,
Falling Failing, Crying, Wailing
Chances take,
Mistakes we Make,
Just laugh for Pete's Sake! Deb###imported-begin###Deborah Valente Buchan###imported-end##

December 26, 2009 at 03:11 PM



“ Merry Christmas Mom and Dad. I miss both of you deeply. A day never passes that I don't think of you guys.

I love you...

Anna###imported-begin###Anna###imported-end##

December 25, 2009 at 07:46 PM



“ December 18, 2009
A Tribute to Mom

I'd like to thank everyone for being here today, all who attended the wake last night and all the kindness and concern shown for the so many years that Mom was ill. I would like to thank my co-workers for their generous donations every September when my daughters and granddaughters and I put on our sneakers and walk the streets of Saratoga to raise money for the Alzheimer's Association. And of course, my family, who I couldn't have gotten through all this without.

Mom, as we knew her, left over 10 years ago and words cannot express how much we've missed her. Through her illness her sense of humor remained. Mom will forever be remembered for her laughter, fun loving way, and quick wit. She was like no other, the strongest person I'll ever know. She never realized she was growing old. "It's just a number" she would say. She loved her children, grandchildren, nieces, nephews and the list goes on. Unfortunately, she never had the chance to enjoy her great grandchildren. There wasn't a prouder person.

At Thanksgiving and Christmas there would be the "adult table" and the "kid table". When I'd say to Mom "there's a seat over here for you," she'd say "I don't want to sit with you old farts." She loved being with the kids, and of course, getting them all riled up.

Mom waitressed for years at the Charcoal Pit, an all night diner on Central Ave. She worked the all night shift. She always told the story of how she was in the back room shooting craps when the place was raided. Fortunately, they did let her go. I'm sure because she made them laugh. I didn't know at the time, but I now know that most of our Christmas presents were bought off the back of a truck in the Charcoal Pit parking lot.

Mom was in her 60s when she decided to take up roller skating

again. So she dusted off her childhood skates, bought herself a fanny pad, and headed for Guptill's.

My daughter Chris will remember Nana driving her to Holy Names one snowy morning. Nana was so concerned about dropping Chris off as close to the door as possible, she drove right up on the sidewalk and nearly wiped out the school.

Mom could be found at any wedding dancing up a storm. I remember one wedding in particular, one of my cousin Chrissy's kids. Mom caught the garter. She was in her 70s. She wasn't gonna get off the floor until the poor young guy put the garter on her. I finally had to drag her back to her seat.

There was the time Mom went to Florida with my sister Karen, her husband Chris, and family. She was stopped going through security. The alarms were going off and of course, she had no idea why. After a while, she finally admitted that she may have put too many extra safety pins on her bra and maybe even a set of keys. Once again, they let her go.

Both mom and dad were people of character, old school, help the person in need. The older I get, the more I realize that I will never meet anyone with more values than my parents. They were, no doubt, a big part of the "Greatest Generation." I, for one, could not have raised my family without Mom. She was there on a moments notice. Mom lived simply, got by with little, and was happy doing so. Much of how we will be remembered is based on how we lived our lives. Mom will forever be remembered for her laughter, love for life and quick wit. And for how she made people feel.

We know that Mom is in a better place. We will take comfort in knowing that when we see the lightening and hear the thunder that Mom and Dad are back together again.

With All My Love,

Nance###imported-begin###nancy dougherty###imported-end###

December 23, 2009 at 03:46 PM



“ *To Mary LaMountain and family: Condolences on the loss of your Mother. May her Soul Rest in Peace!! And may you and your family find comfort in your good memories and in knowing that many people are keeping you in their thoughts and prayers.*
Sincerely,
MaryNell Morgan##imported-begin##MaryNell Morgan##imported-end##

December 22, 2009 at 12:46 PM



“ *Mary and family,*

I am so sorry to hear of your mother passing. I just noticed her name above my mother in law's name on the website here. I truly can understand what you all are going through and my prayers are with you all. I will be thinking of you on Christmas because that will be a tough one for you as well. God Bless.##imported-begin##Vicki Wilson##imported-end##

December 18, 2009 at 08:15 AM



“ *Dear Pete and Sue,*

I was saddened to hear of the passing of your mother. May the memories that you have of her sustain you during this time.##imported-begin##Kathy Curley##imported-end##

December 17, 2009 at 10:28 PM



“ Nancy,
You and your family are in my prayers.
Your mom is at peace now, and she's smiling down upon each of
you.
I'm terrible sorry for your loss.##imported-
begin##Jeanna##imported-end##

December 17, 2009 at 01:33 PM



“ Nancy & family...
I am so sorry for the loss that you are experiencing ...just remember
to take one day at a time and know that she is at peace.##imported-
begin##kim donnelly##imported-end##

December 17, 2009 at 12:53 PM



“ Nan, my thoughts and prayers go out to you and your entire family. I
didn't know your Mom, but knowing what a beautiful and caring
person you are, she must have been also. I pray that God will
comfort you all through this time. There is nothing like a mothers
love. Cherish the good memoties.
Love,
Odessa Hall##imported-begin##Odessa Hall##imported-end##

December 17, 2009 at 09:11 AM



“ Dearest kids, I want to say what a ride your mom had. All I ever remember of Aunt Nance is fun, laughter and lots of hugs. She will be deeply missed by the entire family and when we think of her it is always with a smile and love. I thank Aunt Nance for many things , but most of all for giving us you kids to love and laugh with as well. God Bless Mom and may her guardian angel take her to all the places where she can laugh and love again. I love you kids, your cousin Chrissy###imported-begin##Christine Slingerland###imported-end##

December 15, 2009 at 06:12 AM