



Norma E. Swift

May 19, 1926 - August 12, 2011

Albany- Norma E. Swift, 85, passed away Friday, August 12, 2011 at Albany Memorial Hospital, Albany. Born in Albany, she was the daughter of the late Salvatore and Bruna Magni Biondo. She was predeceased by her husband Eugene R. Swift.

Norma and her parents owned and operated Economy Gardens grocery store on Madison Ave in Albany for over 30 years. She was also a homemaker for her family until her children were in high school, when she went to work for the Division of Military and Naval Affairs (DMNA) in Colonie, retiring after almost 20 years.

She enjoyed many years of vacationing in Lake George with her family and friends, traveling with Ray, but most of all her passion was spending time with her children and grandchildren. She will be sorely missed by everyone who had the pleasure of knowing her.

She was the beloved mother of Norma J. Tarullo (Richard) and Mark W. Swift (Jean); cherished grandmother of Matthew (Jamie), Laura, Jason, Eric (Kathleen), Richard, Tracy (Kevin) and Christopher (Lisa); great grandmother of Jenna, Marissa, Sarah and Gracie. She was the longtime companion of Ray Berg and longtime friend of Tom Dwyer. She was also survived by several nieces, nephews and cousins.

Funeral services Tuesday, August 16, 2011 from the McVeigh Funeral Home, 208 North Allen Street, Albany at 9:45 am thence to Blessed Sacrament Church at 10:30 am where a Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated.

Relatives and friends are invited and may call Monday, August 15, 2011 from 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm.

Interment will follow the Mass at Memory Gardens Cemetery, Colonie.

Those wishing to remember Norma in a special way may send contributions to the Council of Indian Nations, PO Box 1800, Apache Junction, AZ 85217.

To leave Norma's family a special message on their guestbook; view her Cinematic Life Tribute; obtain a prayer card or directions, or share a photo or E-Card with them, please visit www.mcveighfuneralhome.com

Previous Events

Service

AUG **16**. 10:30 AM (ET)

Blessed Sacrament Church
607 Central Ave (Father John Bradley Way)
Albany, NY 12206
(518) 489-0188
info@mcveighfuneralhome.com

Tribute Wall



“ *McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of Norma E. Swift*



McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc. - August 12, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *Norma E. Swift*

October 08, 2023 at 09:24 PM



“ *A very nice lady with a big heart and smile. She will be missed.##imported-begin##Mike Prince##imported-end##*

August 22, 2011 at 10:21 AM



“ *Mark, Jean and family,
I was deeply saddened to hear of the passing of your mother. I hope your beautiful memories of her help you thru this difficult time. You are in my thoughts and prayers.
Jan Finn##imported-begin##Jan Finn##imported-end##*

August 19, 2011 at 08:49 AM



“ Hey Coach,
Sorry to hear about your grandmother's passing. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.
-Pat###imported-begin###Patrick Tidings###imported-end##

August 15, 2011 at 06:28 PM



“ Norma & I worked for DMNA. She worked across the hall, but interacted with our jobs often. She always had that great smile, a kind word to say, always was there to try & help in whatever you were doing.
I can honestly say, in my life, she is on the list of being one of the nicest, kindest, cherriest people I have ever met.
My sympathy to all her family, she will be surely missed.

Evelyn Seguine###imported-begin###Evelyn Seguine###imported-end##

August 15, 2011 at 11:26 AM



“ Mark,

Dayanne and I are deeply saddened learning of the death of your Mom. Please accept our heartfelt sympathy for you, Jean, Jason, and your family during this difficult time.

Tom & Dayanne###imported-begin###Tom & Dayanne###imported-end##

August 15, 2011 at 10:29 AM



“ *My Sweet Grammy...I still can't believe she is gone. I never imagined I would ever lose her...it was too hard to ever imagine. She left a legacy of love...God let us have her as long as he could. The only other angel on earth comparable to her, is my mother, her daughter who inherited her same ability to love so truly and pure. I thank god for my mother, and I hope he takes good care of my grandmother*###imported-begin###*Laura Tarullo*###imported-end##

August 15, 2011 at 08:33 AM



“ *Dad,
Photos will fade but memories will last a lifetime. Remember not Norma's passing, but her life which was always filled with hope, joy and love. She loved you.
Dick and Norma Jean,
we are truly sorry to know that your mom is no longer with us in this life, but take comfort in knowing that the life she now has is more wonderful then any of us could ever dream.
Chris, Matt, Laura and Jason,
Hold on to your Grandmothers memory and cherish it above all things. Remember what she taught you, for this will be the greatest inheritance you receive from her. It will be her legacy.
Mark and Jean,
Life is but a vapor, our time so very fleeting here on earth, She rests in the arms of her Creator, she couldn't be in better care. Don't just believe it, know it to be true.
And to the entire family, Emily and I extend our heartfelt sympathies at your loss.*###imported-begin###*Ken & Emily Berg*###imported-end##

August 15, 2011 at 07:45 AM



“ Dear Norma, Dick, and family,
It was a great pleasure and honor to know your mother/grandmother. She was a loving example of what it means to give from the heart. I always looked forward to seeing her smile, as she knew how to enjoy all the simple pleasures life offered to her. I know this is a very sad time for all of you, but you will all be blessed with many wonderful memories of your times spent with her.
You are all in my thoughts and prayers.##imported-begin##Maryanne Coumbes##imported-end##

August 14, 2011 at 09:17 PM



“ Grandma,

You were the most amazing person I have ever known in my life.. Your passion for understanding someone for who there were and forgiveness were and will always be unmatched by anyone on this earth. thank you for all the amazing memories and stories I will be able to tell my children one day. If god ever need an angle of giving and self sacrifice it would be you. Your kind heart will live on in me forever I can only attempt to be as wonderful as you were.

I love you very much

Matthew##imported-begin##Matthew##imported-end##

August 14, 2011 at 07:00 PM



“ Norma, Dick, Matt, and Laura~

My heartfelt condolences to you all. Mrs. Swift was a very important person in my life. Norma, by being your friend, your Mom always told me that I was like a daughter to her and she was my "second mother". I will miss her love and her smile.

You will be in my thoughts and prayers as you celebrate your Mother/Grandmother's life. I wish I could be there with you.

Love you all.

Sue##imported-begin##Sue (McCredie) McNeill##imported-end##

August 14, 2011 at 10:46 AM



“ *To my sweetie Norma, over the years we have traveled and done many things together. And celebrated many wonderful occasions .Together we will always be in each others hearts an thoughts . And love each other forever. We were there for each other when we both suffered losses . It was a wonderful and fruitful fourteen years of togetherness I will always cherish.*

With all my love,

Ray##imported-begin##Raymond Berg##imported-end##

August 14, 2011 at 09:22 AM



“ Mom, you were a very "special" Mom to all of us. You loved & cared about NOT only your family but your freinds as well. You were generous & concerned about all of us and asked for so very little in return. Your never ending smile, ability to make us laugh and see only the good in everyone & your unwavering faith in God will be part of us forever.

May you be at peace with the Lord, together once again with Dad, Beebe & Gramps and know that you made the lives of all those you touched a much better place to be.

We will never forget you and the lessons you taught us, to love & show compasion for others, the importance of family, and taking the time to talk with people.

May God bless you & keep you in his presence forever.

With all our love,

Mark, Jean, Jason & Ashton.##imported-begin##Mark W.

Swift##imported-end##

August 14, 2011 at 09:02 AM



“ Dear Grandma , There are no words that can describe how much we miss you. You were our shining star and always will be. You lit up the room with your beautiful smile . It just does not feel like you left us yet. In our hearts though, you will always be with us. You were the most gracious Mom, always placing everyone else first before yourself. You'll be in our hearts and thoughts forever and sorely missed. We know you are an angel in heaven now. With all our love, Norma Jean and Dick##imported-begin##Richard and Norma Tarullo##imported-end##

August 14, 2011 at 08:49 AM