



Phyllis Lonergan Gottung

June 9, 1925 - February 23, 2011

Albany-Phyllis L. Gottung, 85, died at home with her beloved family present Wednesday, February 23, 2011. Born in Troy, she was the daughter of the late Frederick and Irene Mitchell Lonergan. Phyllis was a graduate of The Academy of the Holy Names and The College of St. Rose. She also studied speech and drama at Columbia University.

Phyllis taught in the Catskills, Mildred Elley, and the Albany Public School District. Post WW II, Phyllis worked for the US Army teaching the children of US Army personnel in Germany. For many years she was a substitute teacher in many Capital Region Schools. Phyllis also had a very rewarding career as a full time teacher at Chango Elementary School of Shendehowa Central School District.

Phyllis was an accomplished actor, and had roles with Capital Repertory, New York State Theater Institute, St. Andrew's Dinner Theater, Schenectady Civic Playhouse, Mystery Dinner Theater Productions, and in New Jersey with Playwrights Theater. She also served in various board capacities with the Schenectady Civic Playhouse.

Her performances included regional and national radio and Television commercials; a narrator for Historic Women of Albany, WMHT Schenectady; and a day player for Keith Barrish Productions in Ironweed. She was a

volunteer reader for RISE, WMHT, Schenectady.

She was a member of The College of St. Rose Schenectady Chapter Alumni Association, and was a 55 year communicant of Immaculate Conception Church in Glenville, where she also served as a Lector.

She was the wife since 1953 of William H. Gottung; mother of Paul Gottung (Patricia), Mark Gottung (Liz), Eric Gottung (Nancy), Gwen Berardi Mysliwiec (David), Beth Stalker (Michael), Lucy Halstead (John), Gary Gottung (Denise); grandmother of Forrest Foti (Elizabeth), Simon Gottung, Denton Gottung, Lauren Acuff (Matthew), Kathryn Gottung, Meghan Gottung, Amy Gottung, Eric Alan Gottung, Christine Gottung, Joseph Berardi, Rachel Stalker, Brendan Stalker, Emily Gottung, Lindsay Gottung, David Mysliwiec and Dillon Mysliwiec; great grandmother of Rex Paul Foti; sister of the late Frederick Lonergan and John Lonergan; sister in law of Peggy Lonergan; several nieces and nephews survive.

Funeral services Monday, February 28, 2011 at 9:30 am from the McVeigh Funeral Home, 208 North Allen Street, Albany thence to the Historic Church of St. Mary on Capital Hill, Albany at 10:00 am where a Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated.

Relatives and friends are invited and may call Sunday, February 27, 2011 4:00 to 7:00 pm in the funeral home.

Interment will be Tuesday, March 1, 2011 at 1:00 pm at the Gerald BH Solomon Saratoga National Cemetery.

Those wishing to remember Phyllis in a special way may send a contribution to The Community Hospice, 445 New Karner Road, Albany, NY 12205.

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

Previous Events

Service

MAR 1. 1:00 PM (ET)

Gerald BH Solomon Saratoga National Cemetery
200 Duell Road
Schuylerville, NY

Tribute Wall



“ *McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of Phyllis Lonergan Gottung*



McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc. - February 23, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *Phyllis Lonergan Gottung*

October 08, 2023 at 09:24 PM



“ *To Eric, Nancy & the entire Gottung Family:*

We are very sorry for your loss, Phyllis sounds like an amazing person, who touched the lives of so many. You are all in our thoughts.

*Our Condolences,
Recycled-Energy Development.##imported-begin##Recycled
Energy Development##imported-end##*

March 02, 2011 at 05:26 PM



“ Dear Lucy,
I was so sorry to hear of your mother's passing. I am in Florida, but Jim told me about it. Though I only met your mom a couple of times, she seemed like such a sweet, dear lady. Our deepest condolences to you and your family at this time. You are in our prayers.
Love,
Nancy & Jim Campbell##imported-begin##Nancy Campbell##imported-end##

March 01, 2011 at 09:41 AM



“ We send our sincere condolences. God Bless Your Family.##imported-begin##Pat and Nathalie Aucoin##imported-end##

February 28, 2011 at 06:23 PM



“ To Bill and all the Gottung children-we are so very sorry for your loss. We have many fond memories of the days on Vines Rd. Charlton! Phyllis was always so positive about life. She was an inspiration to the whole neighborhood when she faced and overcame her first medical challenge. I remember how proud and thankful she was when the "five year" mark was attained. After we moved to Maple Ave. our paths only crossed occasionally, but when they did, we always reminisced and caught up on the family "doings". Our best memories go out to you all and our sympathies in the loss of Phyllis. Fondly, Jeanne & Vic##imported-begin##Vic and Jeanne Ferrante##imported-end##

February 28, 2011 at 11:09 AM



“ *Beth, we are so sorry to hear about the loss of your mother. She sounds like an extraordinary woman who touched many lives. You are in our thoughts and prayers.*

Michael & Linda Manosh###imported-begin##Michael & Linda Manosh###imported-end##

February 28, 2011 at 10:58 AM



“ *Every time my mind thinks of Phyllis, a big broad grin breaks across my face and and my heart starts to smile. A true light and gift, I am so blessed to have known her and shared the warmth and joy that was her very essence. My deeply felt condolences to all of you, but please feel some comfort knowing so many of us carry such joyful memories of your mom and wife, and those will never fade.###imported-begin##Matthew Moross###imported-end##*

February 28, 2011 at 09:32 AM



“ *To the entire Gottung family:*

Our thoughts and prayers go out to you all in this difficult time. Phyllis is at peace now.

*Take care,
Eilene and Mike Pruett###imported-begin##Eilene and Mike Pruett###imported-end##*

February 27, 2011 at 06:55 PM



“ *Beth and Mike,*

I am sorry for your loss. You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers.##imported-begin##Margaret Corey##imported-end##

February 27, 2011 at 05:39 PM



“ *Dear Beth and Mike,*

I am very sorry for the loss of your mother, and you have my deepest sympathies. I am truly honored to have been in your mother's 4th grade class at Chango. She defined what an educator should be - she encouraged us as individuals, challenged our minds, and captured our imagination. I have very vivid memories of your mother's stories of a "visit from Big Foot", her assignment to interview and tape our parents/grandparents for open house to learn about their life as a child (my favorite), the creation of dioramas to depict the "Gold Rush", reading the stories aloud that we authored, and her constant encouragement. She was truly a special and wonderful woman. We will keep you in our prayers through this difficult time.

Stefan and Jenny Mash##imported-begin##Stefan Mash##imported-end##

February 26, 2011 at 07:15 PM



“ To our wonderful friends The Gottungs,

We are so sorry for your loss, but so very grateful to have known Mrs. Gottung and the whole family over the years....from St. Joseph in Scotia, to BH-BL, from Little Troy Park to Gore Mt....from being Anne's Confirmation Sponsor so many years ago. We'll all always remember her with great fondness and admiration. Always with a smile, that incredible voice and amazing energy. Thoughts, prayers and love are being sent to you from the Utah Glassers (Chris & Linda), (Anne Arella in NC) and, of course, Ruth & Tom in Charlton. God bless you all.

The Glasser Family##imported-begin##Anne Glasser Arella for the Glasser Family##imported-end##

February 26, 2011 at 03:37 PM



“ What a joy getting to know Phyllis over the years through Schenectady Civic Players. A personal highlight for me was sharing the stage with her in "Painting Churches" in 1989 where all her charm as a woman, mother and friend shone through. Phyllis brought so much to not only area theate, but to the whold community.##imported-begin##Bill Hickman##imported-end##

February 26, 2011 at 01:42 PM



“ Paul, Pat, and Family,

We are sorry to hear of the loss of your mother. Please know that our prayers are with you and your family, and that God is there always to give you comfort. Please express our condolences to Paul's father and the rest of his family.

*Uncle Buddy, Bruce & Dee##imported-begin##Dee
Simoneaux##imported-end##*

February 26, 2011 at 09:05 AM



“ Gwen, Dave, Joe, and Lucy,

Although we only met your Mom once or twice, we know she was a real firecracker. From reading her history, we can see what an incredible woman she was and what a full and wonderful life she had. We know you will miss her incredibly. Our hearts go out to you.

Tom and Molly##imported-begin##Tom and Molly##imported-end##

February 26, 2011 at 08:28 AM



“ Ross and I send our deepest sympathy. Phyllis was a precious, loving person and I know my parents/family loved her as one of our own. Knowing they are all in a peaceful, restful and GLORIOUS place - brings comfort. We are keeping all of you in our prayers.##imported-begin##Ross & Winnie (Waguespack)
Muery##imported-end##

February 26, 2011 at 08:01 AM



“ Sorry we will be unable to be present at mass but you have all our prayers, will keep all of our fond memories of Phylis in our hearts.##imported-begin##Arlene and David Adams##imported-end##

February 26, 2011 at 04:22 AM



“ Pat, Paul, Forest, Simon, and Denton,
We are so sorry for your loss. We have not gotten over Dad or Gramps and death and you all have another loss in the family. Be strong and let is lean on each other to get thought this time of our lives.##imported-begin##Reenie and John Logreco, Amanda Thomas, Angela, Sid, Kevin, Haydyn and Lillianna Gottuso##imported-end##

February 25, 2011 at 09:54 PM



“ Bill, Paul, Mark, Eric, Gwen, Beth, Lucy and Gary,

I am so sorry for the loss of Phyllis. I have such fond memories of her. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you.

*Love,
Cyndy Romania Gosselin and family##imported-begin##Cyndy Romania Gosselin##imported-end##*

February 25, 2011 at 04:02 PM



“ We will not be able to attend Mass etc. in Albany. Our prayers are with your family.
Verna & Paul Dobbins##imported-begin##Verna & Paul Dobbins##imported-end##

February 25, 2011 at 12:21 PM



“ Hello to Mr. Gottung, Paul, Mark, Eric, Gwen, Beth, Lucy, and Gary,

The whole Bankert family sends their best wishes to all of you. Your Mom was so special..! Aren't we so fortunate to have such incredible families. It seems like yesterday we were all skiing at Gore Mountain. Lots of memories to help through this difficult time. We are thinking of you.

Love to you all !
Mom and Dad (Pat & Ray) and
Jim, Ray, Steve, Betsy, Susan, Tish##imported-begin##Betsy Bankert##imported-end##

February 25, 2011 at 09:49 AM



“ Lucy and John,

We are so sorry for your loss during this difficult time. We wish we had a chance to meet your mom and to have our own memories to share of her.

Love, Denise and Rich##imported-begin##Rich and Denise Lessard##imported-end##

February 25, 2011 at 09:43 AM



“ *Beth & Mike*

so sorry for your loss

Stu###imported-begin##Stu Burton & Family##imported-end##

February 25, 2011 at 08:49 AM



“ *Gwen, David and Joe,*

I am so sorry for your loss. My prayers and thoughts are with you and your family.

Gwen, because of you sharing all your stories with me and I know she was a very exciting and special lady.

Love Lisa###imported-begin##Lisa Leary##imported-end##

February 25, 2011 at 08:35 AM