



Sophia DiBella

May 21, 1928 - October 18, 2010

Albany-Sophia DiBella, 82 passed away peacefully at home surrounded by her loving family on October 18, 2010. Born on the Moors in Darwen, Lancashire, England, daughter of the late William and Betsy Jane Bolton. Sophia spent her teenage years during WWII in Birmingham, England as one of 10 children. At the age of 21 she came to America and met and married the love of her life, Leonard S. DiBella, a proud American Veteran of WWII and the Korean War.

Sophia is survived by her loving and devoted husband Leonard who cared for her everyday, her twin sons Dr. Michael D.(Carol) DiBella, William L.(Veronica) DiBella, Tina M.(Daniel) Martin and Kimberly A. Dibella (Patrick) Keegan. Sophia is also survived by 9 loving grandchildren, one brother, 5 sisters and numerous nieces and nephews whom she dearly loved.

The family is especially thankful for the devoted care from sisters Margaret and Betty, neice Betty Ann, along with Giovan, Lucy and Bernadette. Special thanks also go out to grandsons Alex, John and Keith, in addition to the kind and amazing care from The Community Hospice.

Funeral services Saturday, October 23, 2010 at 8:15 am from the McVeigh Funeral Home, 208 North Allen Street, Albany thence to Blessed Sacrament Church, Albany at 9:00 am where a Mass of Christian Burial will be

celebrated.

Relatives and friends are invited and may call Friday, October 22, 2010 4:00 to 7:00 pm in the funeral home.

Interment Calvary Cemetery, Glenmont.

Those wishing to remember Sophia 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; view her Cinematic Life Tribute; or share a photo or E-card with them, please visit www.McveighFuneralHome.com

Previous Events

Service

OCT **23**. 9:00 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 Sophia DiBella*



McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc. - October 18, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ *Sophia DiBella*

October 08, 2023 at 09:24 PM



“ Mom I miss talking to you and think about you everyday. When I see anyone drinking a cup of Tea, I think of you sitting at home smiling and laughing with

Dad and the great memories of you in England with Grandma at 121 Perry Barr Road. I know how much you loved and took care of all of us. You were always very unselfish and hard working. Thanks to you Mom we all I have fond memories to last a lifetime. Mom your character was impeccable and you truly were made of the right stuff which represents how special and unique you were to us.

Mom's Eulogy

Today we honor and remember Mon. Mom always put others needs before her own and never asked for anything in return. She was there for all of us family, friend's co-workers and strangers. Mom always had a hot meal ready for Everyone who crossed her doorstep. I remember how extraordinary Mom's cooking was and it seemed to me at many times that our friends would come over to our home not to visit us but rather to be there for Mom's cooking. I remember fondly many times when I came home from Texas to visit Mom and Dad that she would comment on how I needed to lose weight then Mom proceed to ask me what I would like to eat and then cook me a meal regardless of what time it was.

Mom instilled in us the highest qualities of character that has set the roadmap by which her children live by today and which we in turn have passed on to our children those values of honesty, always doing the right thing, working hard, having manners, and helping others are a priceless gift Mom that has given us. Mom possessed an amazing quick wit, strong will. Most importantly Mom showed us how to love and care for others. I remember the many trips to England so she could be with her family and in turn help us keep in touch with everyone in England these trips formed many of her husband and children's beloved memories that we will cherish forever. Although Mom has passed away her presence and the example she set for all of us will continue to be part of our daily lives. In closing Mom we love you and thank you for

all your guidance, kindness and love. Dad, Kim and Pat, Tina and Dan, Mike and Carol, Veronica and everyone who cared and comforted Mom throughout the years and especially over the last two years.

Thank You

William L DiBella

Her Loving Son###imported-begin##William L. DiBella###imported-end##

October 26, 2010 at 05:55 PM



“ *Dear Mom, may you rest in peace. Your legacy is a wonderful family including a devoted husband and children along with all the in-laws and grandchildren and of course all of our relatives in England. We will always love you. The family will carry on. I look forward to the time when we're all together again after this life. With love, Dan.###imported-begin##Daniel Martin###imported-end##*

October 25, 2010 at 09:40 AM



“ *Dear Lenny*
I am very sorry to hear of your loss of Sophia and after the many good years you had together i am sure you will miss Sophia every day but treasure your moments and thoughts as they will always be yours to keep. My thoughts also go out to your loving family at this sad time but hope in time their pain will ease.
I will miss Sophia too from the times you spent at our house in Birmingham UK. Sophia was a joy and a great lady and also a friend. I will say a prayer and thank Sophia for the fond memories she has left me with.
Take care all.
Tom x###imported-begin##Thomas Piggott###imported-end##

October 23, 2010 at 06:45 AM



“ To the DiBella Family,

I know how special Sophia was in all of your hearts and I know how difficult it is to lose her for you all. Just keep in mind that even though she took a piece of all of your hearts with her when she passed, she also left a piece of herself in each and every one of your hearts forever and always!##imported-begin##Joseph Goodman##imported-end##

October 22, 2010 at 11:06 AM



“ Dear Tina, Dan, and all the family,

I was sorry to learn of the loss of your dear mom. Please know you are in my thoughts and prayers. Love, Margaret##imported-begin##Margaret Yund Demeter##imported-end##

October 21, 2010 at 09:06 PM



“ Kim my thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Your mom is at piece but your heart still breaks. She is gone in body but her spirit will be with you always.##imported-begin##Carol Dube##imported-end##

October 21, 2010 at 09:30 AM



“ Kim, Tina, Michael and William,

I am so sorry about the loss of your mom. She was a wonderful woman. She will be missed. I will always have special memories of her, your dad and all of you. May she rest in peace.##imported-begin##Ed Ryan##imported-end##

October 20, 2010 at 08:54 PM



“ Dear Tina, I feel so blessed for having been a part of your life way back when we were kids, and sharing lunch at your kitchen table on Morris Street...which is where I first got to know your mom, and the rest of your family. Your mom was such a warm, sweet, and wonderful lady. I will always cherish those memories from when we were young. My heartfelt love to you and your family at this very difficult time. Love Teresa###imported-begin##Teresa MacDaniel###imported-end##

October 20, 2010 at 08:07 PM



“ Tina, Dan and Family,

My thoughts and prayers are with you in the loss of your mom.###imported-begin##Patrica aikens###imported-end##

October 20, 2010 at 12:20 PM



“ To Mom, I love and miss you very much, I can't believe you are gone but you are in a better place, Dad misses you so much but we will take care of him, he took care of you for so long like no one else would have, you are so special to Dan and the boys love you and will always remember the wonderful times with you, love you forever Tina###imported-begin##Tina (daughter)###imported-end##

October 20, 2010 at 09:56 AM



“ To my aunt Sophia

I will miss you dearly and think of our good times together with you and uncle Leonard and be glad for all of them.

*My memories will be my keepsakes with these i'll never part,
God has you in his keeping, I have you in my heart*

*All our Love,
Leanda and Stuart x##imported-begin##Leanda
Blakemore##imported-end##*

October 20, 2010 at 04:57 AM



“ Mom:

Oh how beautiful you look. Betty Davis' twin. I will miss you more than I could ever put into words. You treated me like a daughter and protected me like no one has. Your love and caring will be something that lives in me forever.

I miss you so very much and love you with all my heart.

*Love,
Veronica##imported-begin##Veronica DiBella##imported-end##*

October 19, 2010 at 05:08 PM