



Bertha A. (Bashaw) D'Acunto

December 12, 1932 - June 9, 2008

Mrs. Bertha A. (Bashaw) D'Acunto, age 75, of Utica, passed away unexpectedly on Monday, June 9, 2008 at the St. Elizabeth Medical Center with the love and support of her family by her side.

Born in Malone, NY on December 12, 1932, Bertha was the daughter of the late Fred and Bertha (Jeror) Bashaw. She was raised and educated in Malone. On April 16, 1955 she married Benedict J. D'Acunto with whom she shared 53 years united in body, mind, and spirit; they adored one another and will remain connected in a special way though she will not physically be present. Bertha and Benedict were blessed with children who fulfilled their lives. She enjoyed her role as homemaker and caretaker and she raised her family with much devotion. She served as a positive force in her children's lives, and she truly felt that they were her greatest accomplishment. She was proud of each and every one of them. She was also a second mother to her grandchildren, always loving, nurturing, and giving. Her love was appreciated, as she was a woman much admired by this generation of her family. Talented in the art of sewing, she was also famous for her Sunday pasta dinners.

Bertha was a genuine woman who was unpretentious, honest, and truthful to herself and to her Lord, and she served others selflessly in her humble way. She was a member of the Better Covenant Church.

Bertha is survived by her husband Benedict, affectionately known as "Honey"; her children and their families, Benedict J., Jr. and Mary D'Acunto, Patricia A. and Frank J. Gaetano, Jr., Rose A. D'Acunto, Anthony W. D'Acunto, Donna L.

D'Acunto and fiancé Tony Giacobelli, and Malvena and Tom DiMambro, all of Utica; her grandchildren, Mary D'Acunto; Jessica, Brittany, and Kevin Manolescu; Anthony, Brandon, Courtney, and Marissa DiMambro; Gina and Dan Fenton, Cheryl and Mike Camaino, Chuck and Charlene Gaetano; Anthony, Jr. and Tayla Giacobelli. She was anticipating the birth of her first great-granddaughter. Survivors also include her sister and brother-in-law, Carolyn and John Wagner of SC; her nieces and nephews, especially acknowledging Vicki and Carl Bashaw, Mary Ann and Jim Quinn, and Terri and Joe Peplinski; great-nieces, great-nephews, cousins, and in-laws, Dr. Ralph D'Acunto, Frances Dixon, Ernest D'Acunto and his wife Arlene with whom Bertha shared a dear and trusting relationship, and Melvina Rabbia with whom she shared a sisterhood of love and her husband Joseph, and Felix Vennero. She also developed many good friendships at the Better Covenant Church women's group. She shared a wonderful friendship with Verna who shared the excitement of games of chance. Bertha also leaves special friends Anthony and Genevieve DiMambro. She was predeceased by her brothers and sisters-in-law, Willard and Bernice Bashaw, Henry and Dorothy Allen; her sisters and brothers-in-law, Charlotte and Henry Basilier, Mildred and Abraham Moses, Helen and Herbert Paul; her father-in-law and mother-in-law, Alexandro and Rose D'Acunto; and in-laws, Anthony and Catherine D'Acunto, Rachel Vennero, and Joseph Dixon.

The family is grateful to Dr. Thomas C. Mathew, Dr. Nabeel G. El-Amir, the staff of the Faxton-St. Luke's Healthcare Center, with special mention of Geri Owens, Mary Ellen, and Carol, as well as the staff of the Critical Care Unit at St. Elizabeth Medical Center, especially Jeannie Olney. All of the outstanding compassion and concern was of great comfort. A special thank you is extended to Pastor James Blum and his wife Margy of the Better Covenant Church, both of whom have been of great spiritual guidance and friendship. Visitation will be held Wednesday (today) from 4:00-8:00 at the Eannace Funeral Home, Inc., 932 South St., corner of Hammond Ave. For those wishing to do so, please consider memorial contributions in Bertha's honor to

the Utica Rescue Mission; envelopes will be available at the funeral home. Bertha's Memorial Service and Celebration of Life will commence on Thursday morning at 10:00 from the funeral home and at 11:00 at the Better Covenant Church, 3900 Oneida Street in Washington Mills with Pastor James Blum officiating. Interment will follow in Calvary Cemetery.

Tribute Wall

CO

“ Courtney sent a virtual gift in memory of Bertha A. (Bashaw) D'Acunto



courtney - November 06, 2015 at 06:35 PM

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“ Courtney lit a candle in memory of Bertha A. (Bashaw) D'Acunto



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BM

“ Brittany Manolescu lit a candle in memory of Bertha A. (Bashaw) D'Acunto



Brittany Manolescu - October 08, 2011 at 10:02 PM

BM

“ hi grama i love you and miss you so much. you and poppy finally are together although we all miss yous terrible i love you guys so much!

Brittany Manolescu - July 21, 2011 at 09:37 PM

BM

“ Hi grama love! I misssss youuu.

Brittany Manolescu - May 04, 2011 at 10:01 PM



“ grama, i love you and i miss you.
you were the best person in my
life. i love you soo muchhh!!
you mean the world to me.
and i know ur in a better place.
its just hard to loose someone
who you were so close with
and someone you adored and looked
up to. i love you grandma!!###imported-begin###Brittany###imported-
end##

July 15, 2008 at 02:40 PM



“ Benny, my heartfelt condolences to you and your family. I will
remember all of you in my prayers.###imported-begin###Stephen A.
Gigliotti###imported-end##

June 13, 2008 at 01:26 PM



“ My thoughts and prayers are with Benny and family. I haven't seen
you in a long time, but remember Bertha as a loving person. God
Bless all of you.###imported-begin###Joseph and Joyce (Capraro)
Faughnan###imported-end##

June 11, 2008 at 02:16 PM



“ We send out deepest sympathy to our special friends Patti & Frank. There are no words to express the loss you feel. Just know that your friends are thinking of you and love you dearly. You know we are here for you and praying for your family.##imported-begin##John & Mary Kay Krupskas##imported-end##

June 11, 2008 at 07:47 AM



“ I am truly sorry for the loss of your loved one - wife, mother, grandmother, aunt, friend...soon to be great grandmother..... we know from faith, there continues to be live eternal with our God. May the peace and love of our God be Bertha's and her entire family...for all eternity!!!
Carol Trzepacz##imported-begin##Carol Trzepacz##imported-end##

June 10, 2008 at 10:26 PM



“ To the D'Aconto Family, IE Donna and Mel, I knew your mother for a very short time but she was very nice.
We are very sorry for your loss.

Daphne Padykula-Lindig

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Family##imported-begin##Daphne Padykula-Lindig##imported-end##

June 10, 2008 at 06:34 PM