



Mrs. Bonnie L. (Light) Guarno

May 19, 1944 - September 12, 2019

UTICA - Mrs. Bonnie L. (Light) Guarno, age 75, passed away on Thursday, September 12, 2019 at the Siegenthaler Center with her loving family by her side.

Born in Utica on May 19, 1944, Bonnie was the daughter of the late Philip and Agnes (Roberts) Light. She attended New Hartford and Utica schools. At one time she was married to the late Anthony D. "Slim" Carcone and to that relationship came the blessing of two sons. On September 15, 1979, after a 13 year relationship, she wed Michael A. Guarno. They shared a partnership in love as well as in business, and their daughter was their greatest gift.

Sunday would have been their 40th wedding anniversary.

Bonnie worked for the Utica City School District as a Teacher's Aide, and because she loved children, it was a job that came easy to her. Concurrently, she and Mike owned and operated the Kozy Kitchen on South Street where all family members were called to duty! Bonnie was outgoing and boldly spoke her mind, attributes which were the makings of a unique personality. She believed that telling the truth mattered. The game of Trouble was a great family pastime... with quarters in hand. She was always ready to begin a game of backgammon with her husband every evening. A warm and inviting home, it was the setting for many holidays that she hosted, and Christmas was her favorite; she was meticulous in her presentation of the seasons. She never asked for much herself, but she always made sure that everyone else received a special gift. She loved to bake, and Christmas cookies were her

forte. She would prepare trays of them as gifts — but she never gave the recipes! She enjoyed reconnecting with loved ones on Facebook and browsing the Facebook Live/Paparazzi Jewelry Shopping Feed where she only bought pieces from her two granddaughters, Kaytlyn and Alissa because she was so proud of their business endeavor. One of Bonnie's great get-aways for many years was Bailey's Beach at Hinckley Lake where everyone was welcomed to join the fun. Bonnie practiced her Catholic faith as a communicant of St. Mary of Mt. Carmel/Blessed Sacrament Parish. She believed that if you lived a good life, at the end of the journey would be the promise of Heaven. She made a lot of great memories for a lot of good people.

Bonnie is survived by her husband, Mike; her sons and daughter-in-law, Anthony D. Carcone Jr., and Philip and Sheila Carcone; her daughter, Tanya Guarno and fiancé Michael Cordo. She shared a motherly relationship with her three step-children, Russell Guarno, Philip Guarno, and the late Michael Guarno, Jr. who she loved dearly. She also leaves her grandchildren, Brian, Ashley, Airiana; Daniel, Alissa, Philip Jr., Brianna; Kaytlyn, and Gabriella; nine great-grandchildren; beloved sister and brother-in-law, Debra and David Chapple; many nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, cousins, brother-in-law, Robert "Bob" Robertson; her niece Sandy who she connected to with all her heart; her friend Felix Morales with whom she shared a special bond and was so proud of who he turned out to be. She was predeceased by her sisters and brother-in-law, Gloria Robertson, Geraldine and John Parry, and Genevieve and Warren House; her brother, Douglas Light; as well as her son-in-law, Dennis G. Gauthier, Jr.

The family extends heartfelt appreciation to Kaytlyn and Sheila for taking excellent care of Bonnie; also Hospice & Palliative Care, Inc. personnel, Cindy and Michelle; and the angels of the Siegenthaler Center who provided Bonnie with compassionate care during her short stay, and the last hours of her life for which the family is grateful.

Visitation will be held Monday from 4:00-7:00 at the Eannace Funeral Home,

Inc., 932 South St., corner of Hammond Ave. Bonnie's funeral service and Celebration of Life will commence on Monday evening at 7:00 at the funeral home immediately upon conclusion of visitation. Inurnment will take place in Forest Hill Cemetery at the convenience of the family.

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **16.** 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Eannace Funeral Home, Inc.
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Celebration of Life

SEP **16.** 7:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

DP

“ Across the miles from CA , so sorry to hear about a sweet woman that now is a Angel”Aunt Bonnie” know that I am thinking about you all.
D Parry

D Parry - September 15, 2019 at 11:15 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mrs. Bonnie L. (Light) Guarno.



September 15, 2019 at 10:38 PM

LN

“ Love Kaytlyn and Nick purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Mrs. Bonnie L. (Light) Guarno.



Love Kaytlyn and Nick - September 15, 2019 at 04:23 PM

SH

“ Alissa&Jim the Guarno family the Carcone family and friends of Bonnie . We are so deeply sorry for your loss of such a special woman may you find love and comfort in each other. Our prayers are with you all. Shirlee and Rob Hollenbeck

shirley hollenbeck - September 15, 2019 at 01:25 PM

RT

“ Bonnie was a great lady. I will always remember her talks with Tanya and myself and sleeping over the house and her cooking . She always told it like it was and had a great sense of humor. We laughed alot and she was incredibly good to me . She treated me like I was one of her own . my heart will miss her very much. My prayers are with the whole family especially Tanya . I love you all. Heaven is lucky to have gained this beautiful angel.

Rosanne Taurisano - September 15, 2019 at 12:38 AM

DZ

“ Dan meg Alissa Jim phil Kay Brianna zack purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Mrs. Bonnie L. (Light) Guarno.



Dan meg Alissa Jim phil Kay Brianna zack - September 14, 2019 at 11:36 PM

LA

“ Love Phil Sheila Anthony purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Mrs. Bonnie L. (Light) Guarno.



Love Phil Sheila Anthony - September 14, 2019 at 11:02 PM

JL

“ So sorry for the loss of your mom. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you. xoxo.



Josette Lucenti - September 14, 2019 at 03:19 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mrs. Bonnie L. (Light) Guarno.*



September 14, 2019 at 12:20 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mrs. Bonnie L. (Light) Guarno.*



September 14, 2019 at 08:35 AM



“ *Goodbye Aunt Bonnie. Hug Mama for me. I'll always remember your wedding day and how beautiful you were when you and Uncle Mike were married. Pace a te.*



Edith Gendron - September 13, 2019 at 10:04 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mrs. Bonnie L. (Light) Guarno.*



September 13, 2019 at 05:00 PM