



## Mrs. Carol A. (Kurkowski) Rizzo

January 22, 1946 - September 5, 2019

UTICA - Mrs. Carol A. (Kurkowski) Rizzo, age 73, passed away on Thursday, September 5, 2019 at MVHS at St. Luke's Healthcare with her loving family by her side.

Born in Cooperstown, NY on January 22, 1946, Carol was the daughter of the late Edward and Mary (Dziadik) Kurkowski. She was raised and educated in Richfield Springs. On October 19, 1969 she married Salvatore F. "Skip" Rizzo with whom she shared 39 years prior to his passing on March 31, 2009.

At one time, Carol was employed at Bradlees Department Store as a Health & Beauty Department Manager. Early in her career she worked at GE making parts for the Space Shuttle. Strong-willed and dedicated, she was a caring matriarch devoted to the needs of her loved ones, and her home was always open to family and friends. She enjoyed crossword puzzles and crocheting in her younger years, and she was an avid NY Yankees fan.

Carol is survived by her daughters and their loved ones, Suzanne Mannella and Scott Stockton, Sheri Van Slyke, and Staci Rizzo and fiancé Christian Hernandez; her son, Salvatore F. Rizzo Jr. and Jamie Velardi-Hopsicker; her grandchildren, Vincent Rizzo, Vannessa Mannella and Josh Plouffe, Mellissa Mannella, Mario Mannella, Brandon Van Slyke and Sarah Countryman, Arianna Van Slyke and Shawn Cassevah, Hannah Edwards, Aria Hernandez; and Anthony Rizzo; her sister and brother-in-law, Pauline and Gerald Knowles; and her brother and sister-in-law, Richard and Rose Kurkowski. She also leaves her nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, cousins, and

in-laws. She was predeceased by her sister and brother-in-law, Phyllis and Stanley Malinowski; nephew, Michael R. "Mike" Malinowski; and her beloved Pomeranian, Toby.

In keeping with Carol's wishes, the family will honor and commemorate her life at a private time. All services will be held privately and at the convenience of the family.

# Tribute Wall

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“ *I'm so do sorry to hear about ur mom Prayers to you and ur family  
May she RIP love ya Gail*

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