



## Constance J. Bumbalo

October 19, 1918 - August 4, 2017

ROCHESTER/UTICA - Constance J. "Connie" Bumbalo, age 98, passed away on Friday, August 4, 2017 at The Friendly Home in Brighton, NY.

Born in Utica on October 19, 1918, Constance was the daughter of the late Vittorio and Isabella (Lia) Bumbalo. Connie lived through the Great Depression and as a young girl, she went to work to assist her family financially. She accomplished her high school diploma while working full time. During her youth, Connie worked at the Mele Manufacturing Company. She was then fortunate to obtain a job at the General Electric Company/Broad St. plant as an office clerk. She retired in the early 1980's from a career that spanned many decades. Connie was an organized woman who could balance her check book to the penny. In her earlier years, she was frugal and humble, and when she saw a good bargain, she would buy it for herself and also another to share with a loved one. She was often nostalgic for the times gone by. Connie had a hearty sense of humor and was able to make light of difficult moments. She was blessed with several faithful girlfriends with whom she would spend much time. In the summers of her younger years, Connie would often take day trips with them to notable places across central New York. Amazingly, she was the only woman in her family who learned how to drive an automobile.

She would regularly visit her family and loved to invite her friends and neighbors to her home for a cup of coffee, cookies, and good conversation. But being with family especially during the holidays or on special occasions

made Connie the happiest. At these gatherings she would often insist on washing the dishes and cleaning up as her way of contributing to the celebration.

Connie practiced her Catholic creed and was fond of attending parish bazaars and religious festivals with family and friends. When she resided in Utica she faithfully attended Mass at her home parish of St. Mary of Mt. Carmel/Blessed Sacrament.

Connie is survived by her nephews and niece, Victor Bumbalo of Los Angeles, CA, Victor Beaumont of Fort Lauderdale, FL, Kenneth J. Setera of Rochester, and Janice Setera Start and her husband William of Pittsford, NY; her great-nephews, Kenneth Start of Brooklyn, and Gregory and Julie Start of Pittsburgh, PA; cousins; and longtime friend, Agatha Enea. She was predeceased by her brothers and sisters-in-law, Guy and Mary Bumbalo, and Frank J. and Anna Bumbalo; and her sister and brother-in-law, Mary and John V. Setera.

In 2005, Connie's nephew Kenny and niece Janice brought her to Rochester to give her a better quality of life. In this venture, the folks of Fairport Baptist Homes, Cloverwood Senior Living and The Friendly Home enriched her life and provided love, support, and compassionate care to Connie during her stay.

Visitation will be held Saturday from 11:30-1:00 at the Eannace Funeral Home, Inc. 932 South St., corner of Hammond Ave. By family request, please omit floral offerings. Memorial contributions in Connie's memory, may be considered to The Friendly Home, 3156 East Avenue, | Rochester, NY 14618; envelopes will be available at the funeral home. Connie's funeral service and Celebration of Life will commence on Saturday afternoon at 1:00 at the funeral home immediately upon conclusion of visitation with Fr. Paul Madej officiating the ceremony. Entombment will take place in Calvary Cemetery Mausoleum at the convenience of the family.

# Cemetery Details

## Calvary Mausoleum

2407 Oneida Street  
Utica, Ny

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Janice, Kenny, Victor, and family,  
Was saddened to learn of Connie's passing.  
Not long ago, she became part of my family.  
Her and Mom, as did I, shared a special friendship  
A kind and thoughtful woman, she will be missed, But she will live  
on in all who knew her.  
Until we meet again sweet lady.*

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**Jeff Franz** - August 11, 2017 at 08:55 AM

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“ *I remember many family visits with Connie and her brothers and  
sister at my grandparents home on Clementian Street. She was  
such a wonderful person*

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**Lorrie Moyer** - August 08, 2017 at 04:47 PM