



Mrs. Elizabeth A. "Betty" (Notaro) Turner

December 23, 1939 - February 22, 2023

NY MILLS - Mrs. Elizabeth A. "Betty" (Notaro) Turner, age 83, went home to the Lord as she passed away on Ash Wednesday, February 22, 2023. At the time of her passing, her husband was holding her hand, and family members were in her company.

Born in Utica on December 23, 1939, Elizabeth was the daughter of the late Peter J. "Bucky" and Rachel M. (Falvo) Notaro. She attended Roscoe Conkling Elementary School and graduated from T.R. Proctor High School/Class of 1957. During the proceeding years, she worked at the Ft. Schuyler Club, followed by her employment at the General Electric Company/Broad Street Plant. On September 24, 1960 she married Harry E. Turner with whom she shared 62 years in a blessed union born of their devotion to each other and their decision to make family a priority. Their concurrence on these goals was a good combination and a credit to their relationship. When Betty and Harry began their lives together, he was in service with the United States Army stationed in Germany, and Betty was right by his side. She gave birth to her first child during his tour of duty in Germany. She then returned to Utica to establish a home for them, and so the family lineage continued, ... as she raised her children, with the love of an outstanding stay-at-home mom. She was also talented in the kitchen ~ meals were in abundance, her baking was memorable, and her homemade pasta was delectable. Betty had a green thumb when it came to gardening; her tomatoes were scrumptious, and her herbs flourished and everyone who saw

them admired them. She hosted the holidays with grace and welcomed everyone through her open door. Subsequently, she returned to the work force as a Teacher Assistant at Roosevelt Elementary School. She walked to her job with her own children in tow, as well as additional neighborhood children who joined the procession to their school yard led by Betty who was a great mother-figure to all the kids who flocked around her.

During this time period, she concurrently enrolled in MVCC where her studies were concentrated in Computer Science courses prior to receiving an Associate Degree, at this accomplished time in her life! She accepted a position at the Oneida County Office Building as a Programmer & Data Processor, the position from which she retired in 2004 to watch over her cherished grandchildren, and she did so with no regrets. Betty and Harry were a great team; she was "Nanie," and Harry was "Poppy".

Betty had a spiritual bond with the Lord and her Catholic faith grounded her. She and Harry were devout parishioners of St. Mary of Mt. Carmel/Blessed Sacrament Parish. They attended church, sat on the right side, right up front, sitting with friends Dolores and Rick Chainey. Also, Tony and the late Janice Felitto always made for good company.

Betty was a bold woman, bound and determined in all her endeavors and honest with her comments. She will also be missed for her unique sense of humor. Her moral compass was set in the right direction for achieving a fulfilled life. Betty had a devotion to the generations that she and Harry created, and she left an indelible mark on their souls.

Betty is survived by her beloved husband, Harry; her devoted daughters and son-in-law, Jacqueline "Jackie" Turner, Regina "Gina" Waldron, Stacie and Jeff Ferguson, and the memory of her daughter Cynthia "Cindy" Ludden who was always in her heart; her honorary daughter and son, Donna and Rick Cashman; her cherished grandchildren, Erica, Nicoletta, Antonia, Rebecca, Kimberly, and Michael; her 4 adored great-grandchildren; sister and brother-in-law, Angela and Bob Rice; and her brother Paul Notaro and his wife Diana who was also a cherished caretaker for Betty. She was preceded by her

brother and sister-in-law, Joseph and Liz Notaro. She will also be remembered by her many nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, cousins, godchildren; in-laws, Cindy Turner, and members of the Strife family; and the many wonderful friends who blessed Betty's life. She was predeceased by her in-laws, Alice and Irwin Dorfman, and Jane and Chuck Gerling.

The family extends their appreciation to Dr. Fred Talarico, and FNP/Jenna Waters of the Clinton Bassett Health Center for their kindness, friendship, and good care provided to Betty; and the Rehabilitation Staff at the Presbyterian Home of CNY for their personalized care.

The family will commemorate Betty's life at a private time. Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend Elizabeth's Mass of Christian Burial and Celebration of Life which will commence on Tuesday morning, February 28, 2023 at 11:30 a.m. at St. Mary of Mount Carmel/Blessed Sacrament Parish, 648 Jay St. There will be an opportunity to greet the family at the conclusion of the Mass. In lieu of floral offerings, donations in Betty's honor may be made to Feed Our Vets online at <https://feedourvets.org/donate>; envelopes will be available at the service.

Previous Events

Funeral Service

FEB **28**. 11:30 AM (ET)

St. Mary of Mount Carmel / Blessed Sacrament Parish
648 Jay St
Utica, NY 13501
(315) 735-1482

Tribute Wall

FB

“ Harry, Jackie, Cindy, and Stacie, I was saddened to learn of Betty's passing. Please accept my sympathy and condolences. I will always remember going next store on Dudley Ave. to visit after school and she would always feed me while I was there. My Mom and Betty are back together again as good friends and I am sure they are sharing stories about us kids, the good times they shared at Sylvan Beach, and now they can keep each other company. I could always feel the love she had for her family and the people around her. That type of love and devotion is to be cherished. Betty's a great person. God Bless you Betty. You are loved and we will miss you. The world is missing a lot of love with your passing. Frank (Frannie) Benvenga



Frank Benvenga - January 10, 2024 at 09:22 PM

AL

“ Jackie and family
We are so sorry to here the news of your mom passing. I will always remember her at Roosevelt school and how much all the kids there loved her. She had a very kind way about her and watched over all of the students at Roosevelt. Jackie you and your family will be in our prayers.
Tony and Chris Lupino

Anthony Lupino - February 28, 2023 at 06:52 PM

CS

“ Jackie & Family

I know there are no words that can ease your pain. With all of our deepest sympathy and unwavering support I wish you and your loved ones comfort, courage, and lots of love at this time of sorrow. Our hearts go out to you all at this very difficult time.

With deepest sympathy,

Cathy & Russ Schaffer

Catherine Schaffer - February 28, 2023 at 07:02 AM



DD

“ My deepest sympathies to all. So many great memories from our days working together at Roosevelt School. Dona Arcuri Dawes

Dona Arcuri Dawes - February 26, 2023 at 10:01 AM

BC

“ Our deepest condolences to Betty's family. We will miss seeing Betty on Tuesday nights at Dave's Diner Car Cruise. Sending peace and comfort at this most difficult time.
Patrick & Brenda Castelli

Brenda & Patrick Castelli - February 26, 2023 at 09:48 AM



DB

“ Betty was always gracious....with laughter and poise. I believe, in many ways, her heart was bigger than her being. She will be one of Heaven’s most beautiful Angels....continuing to protect those she loves. ❤️❤️❤️



Darlene Benson - February 26, 2023 at 09:17 AM

DB

“ Darlene Benson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Elizabeth A. "Betty" (Notaro) Turner



Darlene Benson - February 26, 2023 at 09:13 AM

LW

“ What a wonderful woman she was like a second mom to all of us on Dudley Ave. And meant a great deal to all of our families she will be missed by all of us. All of our love thoughts and prayers be with you

Laura Humiecki Wilbur - February 25, 2023 at 11:19 PM

MJ

“ This picture was taken at a Dave’s diner and I always enjoyed coming up from Ga to visit and seeing her beautiful smile. Betty was like a second grandmother to me.



Matthew Joswick - February 25, 2023 at 05:30 PM

DB

I loved Betty for her smile, and yes, her humor. She was one of the most down to earth people you'd ever want to know. Her children and grandchildren are a direct reflection of the love she shared with so many. Everyone who ever knew Betty will miss her very much. A sweetheart in my eyes and heart. God Bless another Angel God has called home. ❤️

Darlene Benson - February 25, 2023 at 05:54 PM

DC

“ Nothing was as enjoyable as coffee around the kitchen table on Dudley Avenue with Betty, Palma and the girls. Betty made life good. All our love, Dolores, Rick and Maryellen.

Dolores Chainey - February 25, 2023 at 12:09 PM

LM

“ Sincere condolences, Gina and family. Your mother was always so welcoming and interesting to talk to! We spent many happy hours in the kitchen of her lovely home in Clinton! She is greatly loved, and will be sorely missed.

Lisa Morosco - February 24, 2023 at 04:52 PM