



## Gertrud (Wagner) LaRocco

October 12, 1929 - March 22, 2013

Mrs. Gertrud (Wagner) LaRocco, age 83, passed away on Friday, March 22, 2013 at the St. Joseph Nursing Home.

Born in Augsburg, Germany on October 12, 1929, Gertrud was the daughter of the late Johann and Francisca (Nittbaur) Wagner. She was raised and educated in Germany and it was there that she met her future husband, John W. "Jack" LaRocco, who was stationed in Germany with the US Army. The two were wed on December 28, 1952. After living throughout the world to fulfill John's commitment and responsibilities with the US Army, they relocated to Utica in 1958, upon John's retirement, where they have since resided. The couple shared 58 years prior to Jack's passing on November 3, 2011.

At one time, Gertrud held a position with the State Street Mill Department Store where she worked as a clerk in the housewares department. She was lastly employed at Tehan's Department Store as a sales clerk. But her greatest accomplishment was that of being a mother and raising her sons. Gertrud is survived by her sons, John W. LaRocco, Jr. of Utica, and James Michael LaRocco and his partner, Carol Bishop, of Sidney, NY. She also leaves her sisters and brother-in-law, Fanny Wagner, and Hedwig and Franz Pollman, all of Germany; her brother and sister-in-law, Johann and Hannalori Wagner of Germany; her nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, cousins, and sister-in-law, Anne LaNeve of Utica. She was predeceased by her in-laws, Charles R. and Carmelita LaRocco, Edward LaRocco, James "Frank" and Jennie LaRocco, Joseph H. LaRocco, Virginia M. and Michael

Robilotto, and George S. LaNeve, Sr.

Visitation will be held on Thursday from 3-5 at the Eannace Funeral Home, Inc., 932 South St., corner of Hammond Ave. Memorial contributions in Gertrud's honor may be considered to the St. Joseph Nursing Home or to the Alzheimer's Assn.; envelopes will be available at the funeral home. Gertrud's funeral service and Celebration of Life will follow at 5:00 immediately upon the conclusion of visitation. Inurnment will take place in Calvary Cemetery at the convenience of the family.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 28. 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

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corner of Hammond Ave.  
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## Service

MAR 28. 5:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

BS

“ Beverly Schrader lit a candle in memory of Gertrud (Wagner) LaRocco



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**Beverly Schrader** - March 27, 2013 at 02:56 PM

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*I had the pleasure of working with Gerdy both at State St. Mill and again at Tehan's when they were on Mohawk St. A lovely lovely outgoing person. She was the one who showed me the ropes when I first started at both jobs. I am sorry for your loss, but take comfort in knowing her and Jack are together again.*

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**Beverly Schrader** - March 27, 2013 at 02:59 PM

MR

“ *I am so very sorry for the loss of Aunt Gerdy! She was a great lady and I have fond memories of her and Uncle Jack at their home visiting. I hope that she has found peace with Uncle Jack. Love, Marlene*

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**Marlene Robilotto** - March 27, 2013 at 10:23 AM