



Mrs. Jane E. (Kehrli) DeBlois

February 12, 1929 - May 4, 2018

WHITESBORO - Mrs. Jane E. (Kehrli) DeBlois, age 89, passed away on Friday, May 4, 2018 in the comfort of her home with her loving family by her side.

Born in Utica on February 12, 1929, Jane was the daughter of the late Walter W. and Dorothy (Jones) Kehrli. She was a graduate of Whitesboro High School/Class of 1947. She furthered her studies at MVCC with a concentration in Secretarial courses. In 1951, at the original St. Patrick's Church, she married James B. DeBlois with whom she shared 46 years prior to his passing on October 27, 1997. Although they were opposite in personality, they truly loved one another. They often discussed, but never fought...

Jane worked as a Sales Associate in a number of local retail stores, but the gem of her career was her position at the Anderson-Little Clothing Store at the former Riverside Mall. She was appreciated by customers for her friendly nature and her eye for detail when she attired patrons with styles that fit their personality and physique. Jane was a gentle woman with a gracious and giving heart who brightened the lives of all who knew her. She lived each day with a purpose to love and honor her family, and she made every minute matter in making their days happy and healthy. As a mother, her greatest goal was her children's wellbeing. She held on to her maternal virtues, was well versed, and lived life as she saw it. She was beloved by her husband and children and will be dearly remembered and deeply missed. She continued

her husband's legacy of planting and nurturing flowers including impatiens, alyssum, and mum plants. As a grandmother, her grandson was her world and she adored the person he was. They enjoyed each other's company and he rejuvenated her after she lost the love of her life and her mom. She was saved by his love and affection. Jane was a communicant of the Catholic Community of Whitesboro at St. Paul's Church and her prayers were primarily in honor of the Virgin Mary to whom she was so devout.

Jane is survived by her devoted children, James G. DeBlois, and Michelle A. and Scott Tuttle; her precious grandson, Kyle J. Tuttle; sister and brother-in-law, Nancy and Richard "Dick" Miskowiec; and brother and sister-in-law, Richard "Dickie" and Sandra Kehrli. She also leaves many nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, cousins, and in-laws, Bonnie Funk, Mary Lou DeBlois, and Margaret DeBlois. She was blessed with a caretaker, Dee Gray, who became her friend; and her dear friends, Nikki and Tony Fraccola, Veronika Freeman, and Debbie Weissinger who were wonderful to Jane in unique ways. She also knew the love of her additional "daughters" Panagiota Bouboulis and Jamie Coughlin who were dear friends of her daughter Michelle. She was predeceased by an infant daughter, Jane; her brothers and sister-in-law, William W. and Dorothy Kehrli, and Jack Kehrli; her step-father Paul Hillebrand; her nephews, Billy Kehrli, and Johnny Kehrli; niece, Kathy Miskowiec; and her son's life partner, Achille DiBacco, who crossed over on October 24, 2017. She was also preceded by her husband's siblings, spouses, and several children.

The family extends their appreciation to Amanda Costello who watched over Jane like an angel and introduced her children to her which gave Jane much joy and hope. Thanks also to Deacon Tony Paparella and Chaplain Anthony Fragapane for their spiritual guidance; and the personnel of Hospice & Palliative Care who provided great support and counseled Jane's children during her final journey. They were outstanding.

Visitation will be held Monday from 5:00-7:00 at the Eannace Funeral Home, Inc., 932 South St., corner of Hammond Ave. Jane's funeral service and

Celebration of Life will commence on Tuesday morning at 10:30 from the funeral home and at 11:30 at The Catholic Community of Whitesboro at St. Paul's Church where her Mass of Christian Burial will be offered by Rev. Thomas Durant. Interment will take place in Mt. Olivet Cemetery at the convenience of the family. Expressions of sympathy in the form of donations may be made to Hospice & Palliative Care online at <http://hospicecareinc.org/donate/donate-online/>; envelopes will be available at the funeral home.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 7. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Eannace Funeral Home, Inc.
932 South Street
corner of Hammond Ave.
Utica, NY 13501
(315) 724-6714
eannacefh@roadrunner.com

Tribute Wall



“ Peace, Prayers, & Blessings- Lavender and White was purchased for the family of Mrs. Jane E. (Kehrl) DeBlois.



May 06, 2018 at 01:12 PM



“ Thoughts and prayers to all of Jane’s family. I worked with Jane many, many, many years ago at Anderson Little, my first “real job.” Many memories from that time. — Craig Horan

craig horan - May 06, 2018 at 09:00 AM



“ Such a beautiful obituary for your mom Jim and Shelley. She was lucky to have had you in her life, and you to have had her in yours. Our hearts and prayers are with all of you.

Tom and Sharon DeBlois - May 06, 2018 at 06:24 AM



Such a beautiful lady. I will never forget her “taking me under her wing” at Anderson-Little, my first job at 16. So many good times we shared over the years...she will be greatly missed! Candy Wilbur

Candy Wilbur - May 06, 2018 at 10:02 PM