



Jessie R. (Greco) Durdan

August 9, 1927 - January 19, 2012

Mrs. Jessie (Greco) Durdan, age 84, formerly of Utica and more recently of the Lutheran Home, passed away on Thursday, January 19, 2012 at the home with her dedicated and loving family by her side.

Born in Utica on August 9, 1927, Jessie was the daughter of the late Gabriel and Angelina (DeFazio) Greco. She was raised here and attended local schools. At one time she was married to Stanley J. Swiecki, a marriage which was blessed with three daughters. On September 9, 1978 she married Frederick E. Durdan, Jr. with whom she shared a 27 year union filled with their unflinching love and mutual devotion until his passing on July 30, 2005.

Mrs. Durdan was a dedicated and conscientious housewife and many knew her compassionate guidance. Blessed with a warm and generous heart and a unique and affectionate sense of humor, she was a woman of simple needs who expended her best efforts caring for others. She taught her daughters the values by which she lived her own life, her personal philosophy being that it is of primary importance to be a good person and that the key to achieving that goal is to treat others as you would like to be treated. Jessie loved to spend time in her yard and in her garden, using her gifted "green thumb" to make every flower bloom beautifully and every shrub grow perfectly. Jessie enjoyed browsing garage sales and visiting with people. She was of the Catholic Faith and prayed the rosary daily.

Mrs. Durdan is survived by 3 daughters and sons-in-law, Susan and Stephen Donowick of Wichita, KS, Cynthia "Cindy" and Gordon "Butch" James of

Whitesboro, and Debra Chrobak of Clinton; and her grandchildren, Matthew Donowick, Nicole Donowick; Alison James; Ryan Chrobak, Justin Chrobak, Brendan Chrobak, Jordan Chrobak and their father Kevin Chrobak and his parents, Rudy and Shirley. She is also survived by several nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by 3 sisters, Connie Madden, Rose Chiarello, and Carmella Pettinato; and her brother, Joseph Greco.

Jessie's family would like to thank the entire staff of the Mapleview Unit at the Martin Luther Home for their dedication and compassionate care.

Visitation will be held on Saturday (today) from 2-4 at the Eannace Funeral Home, Inc., 932 South St., corner of Hammond Ave. Mrs. Durdan's funeral will commence immediately upon the conclusion of visitation at 4:00 with Rev. John Flanagan officiating. Interment will take place in Calvary Cemetery at the convenience of the family.

Cemetery Details

Calvary Cemetery

2407 Oneida Street
Utica, NY 13501
(315) 735-2727

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 21. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Eannace Funeral Home, Inc.
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Service

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Tribute Wall

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“ Aunt Jessie, you will be missed but memories of you will live on forever. You had the best sense of humor of any person I ever knew. Your heart was so big and loving that there was never any doubt how you were feeling about the people who were in your company. Sue, Cindy and Debbie, you were so blessed to have such an extraordinary women for your mother who loved and cared for each of you with her whole entire being. We are so sorry for your loss but it is surely Heaven's gain.
Aunt Jessie, rest in peace. You have lived the good life.
Love, Cousins Angela & Dennis Manning

Angela Manning - January 21, 2012 at 08:03 AM

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“ Sue, Cindy and Deb, We are so very sorry about the loss of your mom. Never have I seen more devoted and loving daughters and she was very fortunate, as were the three of you. I will always remember the many visits we made to her house and the many laughs we had, and Deb, I will always remember you and your mom coming over when I had my son, we laughed for hours that day! Please know that our thoughts and prayers are with all of you at this time. Love cousin Brian and Ang

Angela Greco - January 20, 2012 at 03:04 PM

LC

so sorry for your loss ... my deepest sympathies to all of the family ...

Lisa Cramer - January 21, 2012 at 08:18 AM

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Sue, Cindy, and Deb: It has been years since I've seen you and your Mom, but I do remember that she was always smiling and always so friendly to everyone. I am sorry for your loss. Cousin Natalie Massita (Scavo)

Natalie Massita (Scavo) - January 21, 2012 at 07:33 PM

DR

Sue, Cindy, and Deb. So sorry for your loss. Will always remember the times mom would bring us to visit you all when we were but children. Your moms hospitality always made the Inserra gang feel welcome. Cousin Donna (Inserra) Rixfprd

Donna Rixford - January 21, 2012 at 10:04 PM