



## Judith "Judy" (Setlock) Gigliotti

September 29, 1941 - January 31, 2026

UTICA – Judith “Judy” (Setlock) Gigliotti, age 84, went home to the Lord after a peaceful passing on Saturday, January 31, 2026. At the time of her crossing over, she was in the hearts of those she loved most.

Born in Buffalo on September 29, 1941, Judy was the daughter of the late Edward and Susan Setlock. Throughout her life, she often spoke of the wonderful bond she shared with her parents and the web of love, experiences, and memories that connected their entire family. Raised in the Lovejoy area of Buffalo, she completed her education and graduated from Bryant and Stratton Business Institute. She greatly valued education and was a lifelong learner. She spent many wonderful years working in Toronto, Canada, and Rochester, NY, prior to making Utica her home.

Judy was married to Donald A. “Don” Gigliotti. They were true companions who loved to travel, shop, and share cultural experiences together. Most importantly, they shared their Catholic faith and enjoyed attending Mass. Don and Judy loved sitting on their front porch as they enjoyed their neighborhood and network of friends and family. They found deep joy in each other’s company. The couple enjoyed many decades of marriage prior to Don’s passing on December 30, 2015.

Judy took great pride in her work, first at State Farm Insurance Company and

later at W. B. Payne Insurance. She was a licensed agent who used her attention to detail and empathetic nature to thoughtfully assist clients. Her work gave her a great sense of fulfillment and joy throughout her life. She remained committed to her work until late in life, maintaining her license and actively advising as a businesswoman.

Judy was an absolutely wonderful neighbor—a warm and inviting presence on Proctor Boulevard and beyond. Don and Judy loved their home and graciously welcomed so many people over the years. They deeply valued their community bonds. Judy believed in putting down roots wherever she lived—as reflected in her cherished network of friends and connections. She also manifested that belief through her dedicated service to the New York State Women’s, Inc., Mohawk Chapter, the Rotary Club, and other organizations. She loved to serve and to share.

Judy possessed incredible energy and a great sense of stability—built from the strength of her family’s bonds and her deep commitment to her faith. She was aware of her own personhood and was physically and mentally active. Her sense of style, passion for life, and attentiveness to detail remained with her and brought joy to herself and others. Judy was herself right up to the end.

The very fuel of her life was visiting with the people she loved. She enjoyed talking on the phone, which was one of the primary ways she cultivated and maintained friendships. Judy was an excellent listener and conversationalist who valued connection and caring for others’ needs above all else. She maintained her web of friends, neighbors, and family throughout every illness, relocation, and change.

Her deep Catholic faith shaped and sustained her. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, receiving Holy Communion, and the rites of the Church renewed and uplifted her. Judy was a devoted parishioner of Mary, Mother of Our Savior

Parish, Lourdes Campus. When she could not attend in person, she often viewed Mass on television. She was deeply grateful to those who brought her Communion when she was unable to attend Mass.

Judy found great joy in the constant love and connection with her cousins. Her cousins meant the world to her since childhood. All her relatives had a profound impact on her life, especially cousin Charlie and the Tokarz family. Always in her heart were the Ambrose family and her faithful friend Nadia Martinyuk and her family who looked after Judy with great love and care; Nance and Mark Weber and their sons; Carmenann Guarnieri; and Judy's godson Jed Hohl and his family. Thanks to her dear friends Maria Tucci and Gina Burke, Judy had the best hair in Utica! She enjoyed long, rich friendships with Angela, Fr. Joe, Lucretia, Joann, Geraldine, Patty—and so many others.

Judy always felt grateful for the expert and compassionate care of her medical team and we extend special thanks to the wonderful Masonic Care Community of NY and their dedicated staff for their exquisite care.

Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend Judy and her late husband Donald's Memorial Mass of Christian Burial and Celebration of their Lives, which will be held on Tuesday, April 7, 2026, at 10:30 a.m. at Mary, Mother of Our Savior Parish, Lourdes Campus, 2222 Genesee St. There will be an opportunity to greet Judy's loved ones at the conclusion of Mass. Memorial contributions in Judy's honor may be made to the Mary, Mother of Our Savior Parish Outreach Ministry online at [www.osvhub.com/motherofoursavior/giving/funds](http://www.osvhub.com/motherofoursavior/giving/funds); envelopes will also be available at the service. Inurnment will take place in Calvary Cemetery.

# Cemetery Details

## Calvary Cemetery

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

# Previous Events

## Memorial Mass

APR 7. 10:30 AM (ET)

Mary, Mother of Our Savior Parish, Lourdes Campus  
2222 Genesee St.  
Utica, NY 13502  
<https://www.motherofoursavior.org/CatholicChurch.php>

# Tribute Wall

JW

“ Jack W. purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Judith "Judy" (Setlock) Gigliotti.



Jack W. - February 10 at 11:00 PM

JW

“ Jack W. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Judith "Judy" (Setlock) Gigliotti.

Jack W. - February 10 at 11:00 PM

JG

“ To the family of Mrs. Gigliotti we will miss seeing her smiling face at Masonic Home. Her room was right next door to my husband's Angelo Gigliotti. She was a beautiful woman who always greeted us when I was wheeling him around the unit. May God Bless her and your family. 🙏❤️



JaneMarie Gigliotti - February 03 at 09:45 PM

HK

Judy was always so nice to me and to my family always that beautiful beautiful smile,. God rest her soul. 🙏🕊️🌹

Helen Koury - February 07 at 10:55 AM

PW

*From Patricia Wolak*

*I remember Judy's care and thoughtfulness, dropping off the Covid test and dropping off food when I indeed had Covid. Insisting (after she diagnosed shingles on our way to dinner with friends) we go to urgent Care first. She was such a good friend.*

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**patricia wolak** - April 06 at 03:04 PM