



Judith B. "Judy" (Donalty) Bean

May 16, 1934 - February 13, 2009

Mrs. Judith B. "Judy" (Donalty) Bean, age 74, of Utica, passed away on Friday, February 13, 2009 at the Faxton-St. Luke's Healthcare Center surrounded by her family and friends.

Born in Utica on May 16, 1934, Judith was the daughter of the late Frank and Mary (Harding) Donalty. She received her primary education in Utica at Our Lady of Lourdes School and then attended Utica Free Academy. She completed her secondary education in Honolulu, Hawaii. In 1959 she married Robert F. Bean, Sr. with whom she shared 45 years prior to his passing in December 2004; their marriage was enhanced by the blessing of their children.

Judy was employed by the New York Telephone Company. She left the workforce to care for her children and when they had grown she returned to work as a teacher's aide at General Herkimer School. She derived much love from working with the children and especially honored the admiration and affection that they showed her. This past June, she retired due to ill health. "Ju Ju" had her own special loving ways of nurturing and caring for her grandchildren. Bestowed with a sparkling and spirited personality, being on the go was part of Judy's life, and she loved her friends who loved her as well. At a moment's notice, she could be entertained by bingo and games of chance. She will be remembered for her generosity and style of giving which was so meaningful and memorable. She especially loved the Christmas holidays because it was a time that she could give to others. She was a

communicant of Historic Old St. John's Church and was active in the annual parish bazaar.

Judy is survived by her daughter and son-in-law, Mary Agnes and Jim Halliday of Deerfield; her son, Robert F. Bean, Jr. and fiancée Nadina Mikic of Utica; and her grandchildren, Brittni, Carli, and Cassi Halliday; and Madison and Aiden Bean. Survivors also include her sister, Mary Austin Pratt and her husband Walter of New Hartford; her brother and sister-in-law, the Honorable Barry and Jeanne Donalty of Utica; her nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, cousins, and sisters-in-law, Roberta Mueller, and Lindy Donalty. She was also blessed with her loyal and endearing friends, Joan Dorn, and Carol Cahill. She was predeceased by her brothers, Richard Donalty and Frank Donalty, Jr.; and her nephew, Christopher H. Donalty.

The family extends special thanks to Dr. Charles Eldredge, Dr. Ira Tisch, Dr. Ahmad Mian, the staff of the dialysis unit at the Faxton-St. Luke's Healthcare Center, and the staff of 3East at Faxton-St. Luke's for several years of exceptional care for which Judy was extremely appreciative. The family offers appreciation to the staff of the Intensive Care Unit at Faxton-St. Luke's for making Judy's final days dignified and comfortable and for the sincere compassion which they exhibited to her loved ones. Thanks also to Dr. Steven Williams for his consultations, and Dr. Cynthia Parlato and Dr. Kenneth Novak – because of them, Judy regained her sight during her last few months, which improved the quality of her life immeasurably. We are most grateful to all of you.

Visitation will be held Monday (today) from 2:00-4:00 and 6:00-8:00 at the Eannace Funeral Home, Inc., 932 South St., corner of Hammond Ave. By family request, please omit floral offerings. For those wishing to do so, please consider memorial donations in Judy's honor to Citizens United for Research in Epilepsy (CURE), 730 North Franklin Street, Suite 404, Chicago IL 60610 in loving memory of her nephew, Christopher; envelopes will also be available at the funeral home. Judy's funeral service will commence on Tuesday morning at 9:00 from the funeral home and at 10:00 at Historic Old St. John's Church

where her Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated. Interment will take place in Mt. Olivet Cemetery.

Tribute Wall



“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time. We live in Baldwinsville now but Amber and I saw Judy a year or so ago at Julie Garramone's wedding shower and it was so wonderful to see her again. She was such a wonderful lady. We will miss her.

The Furtek Family - Fred, Mary Ann (IMotto), Joel, Jeremy and Amber##imported-begin##Mary Ann Furtek##imported-end##

February 17, 2009 at 08:27 PM



“ We are so sorry that we are unable to attend the services for Judy. We are out of town for the week. She has been and will continue to be missed at school. She always generously gave her time and especially her love to all who were near. I know it is not easy , but I have found that it has made it easier for me to picture my loved ones in heaven together, happy and healthy watching over us all on earth.

Sincerely,

Linda Puleo and Family##imported-begin##Linda and Mike Puleo##imported-end##

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“ Mary Agnes and Bobby...General Herkimer will never be the same without your mother! Her constantly smiling face and warmth permeated the whole school for so many years. Even though I was retired, when I went there to observe student teachers over the past several years, I looked forward to seeing Judy and we caught up on both our lives including you, your children, and Wendy's and Deb's lives. She was a great friend and really was "loved by all"! (By the way, Mary Agnes, Wendy just realized that her Courtney's friend Carly is your daughter!. If your mother and I knew that this past fall, she would have soooo enjoyed the connection.) I am so sorry I am not there to honor her life with you. Also, Carol may have told you but Marilyn Brown, Joan Zumpano, and Sheila Scholl are all down here in Florida right now also but we all send our love to you both and to your families. Fondly, Joan###imported-begin###Joan Achen Brown###imported-end##

February 17, 2009 at 08:08 AM



“ sorry about the loss. i had talked with Aunt Judy about a year ago###imported-begin###scott bean###imported-end##

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“ *Mary Agnes (Aggie) : Both Dave and I are deeply saddened by the loss of your mom. She was my guide to the city when I visited Don & Joan. I will greatly miss her on my next visit to Utica.*

Your mom was one of the most loving and kind hearted people I have ever known.

Know that you are in our thoughts in your time of sorrow.

Love

Diana (DeeDee Dorn) Holoweiko##imported-begin##DEE DEE (DORN) & DAVE HOLOWEIKO##imported-end##

February 15, 2009 at 06:06 PM



“ *Mary & family,
Please know you are in our thoughts and prayers. Mary - your mother was so blessed to have you and all the support and love you provided her. You will always have wonderful memories to keep her close to your heart.##imported-begin##Karen Angus##imported-end##*

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“*MaryAgnes, Jim and girls: We are really so sad to hear of Ju-Ju's death. She suffered so much in the last few years. She was more than an employee to our family, she was a great friend and also like a grandmother to all the kids on our block. She would always pile them in her car and take them to Sylvan Beach or wear ever they told her to take them. I remember when she dropped Mikie and Brittni off one day and they weren't ready to go home, they crawled in the back of her station wagon, under a blanket and waited till she almost got home and scared the daylights out of her. They will always remember her. I think of her as always asking questions about my daily life, about all my family and especially what I was having for dinner and what I was doing all weekend. She always had time to talk and give her advice. This last summer when I had her over for dinner with Julie and Sue is something to remember, we talked about everyting from school to whatever was going on in all our lives. She wanted to cram it all in. I am so happe for that night she had a great time even though we had a little dilemma getting her in and out. To her children, she was a wonderful mother. MaryAgnes, you were so good to her and she always said how lucky she was to have you. Our deepest sympathy.##imported-begin##Candy Rizzo##imported-end##*

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