



## Mrs. Linda M. (Miller) LaFache

October 18, 1958 - December 26, 2018

UTICA - Mrs. Linda M. (Miller) LaFache, age 60, a native of New York Mills, passed away unexpectedly on Wednesday, December 26, 2018 in the comfort of her home.

Born in New York Mills on October 18, 1958, Linda was the daughter of Wanda (Romanowski) Miller and the late Joseph F. Miller. She was a graduate of NY Mills High School/Class of 1976. At age 16 she began working for Attorneys John T. Buckley and John C. Scholl as a Legal Secretary. While pursuing her coursework for a Paralegal degree at Utica College, she concurrently continued her position with the then Honorable John T. Buckley. On May 27, 1994 she married Anthony J. "Tony" LaFache, Esq. with whom she shared 24 years. As partners they shared a strong bond, and as parents they shared the blessing of a son, Anthony Joseph.

In 1991, Linda joined Anthony at his firm, the Law Office of Anthony J. LaFache, and, as technology advanced, she was able to embrace it and work from her home where she could tend to the needs of her son. As a young girl, Linda was vivacious and outgoing. She participated in numerous school activities and learned to play the piano proficiently, a talent she retained throughout her life. She had an eclectic appreciation for music that included classical, contemporary, and modern. She loved her visits to the Adirondacks and the family's lakefront camp on the Old Forge Pond where she developed a passion for swimming.

When her son Anthony was born, Linda felt her life was made complete. They

shared an intense mother-son bond of love, and they were the best of friends. They shared school and social gatherings with his friends, attended concerts together and, being athletic and adventurous, went on family kayaking trips. Linda thrived and flourished when she helped others. She was warm, welcoming, and willing to make you laugh. Her heart and her home were always open to anyone in need and many could testify to her incredible willingness to foster love. She enjoyed holiday gatherings, especially the memorable Miller family Easter get-togethers. When her son was of school age she involved herself with the PTA. Her nieces loved their aunt Linda and there were plenty of fun times. She attended political gatherings where she offered different perspectives and was proud to stand by her beliefs. Linda loved her life, her family, her accomplishments, and above all, her son, ...the bond that will never be broken.

Linda is survived by her husband, Tony; her son, Anthony Joseph LaFache; her mother, Wanda; sister and brother-in-law, Lou Ann and Bill Lachut; and brother and sister-in-law, Joseph and Beth Miller. She held close to her heart the memory of her sister Jolene who preceded her. She will also be remembered by her nieces and nephews, especially acknowledging Andrew and Megan Lachut, and Karyn and David Brasie; great-nieces, great-nephews, uncle and aunt Joe and Pat Romanowski; cousins, including Rev. Anthony P. LaFache who was a spiritual advisor as well; in-laws, Paul E. LaFache, Theresa Custodero Tripolone, and Elizabeth and Ronald Sacco; and Tony's children Kara LaFache Robinson and her daughter Serae and Kara's husband Shea, and Trisha LaFache. She also knew the blessings of best friends, Lillian and Gary Cirasuolo and their children Joey, and Marlene Cirasuolo Bellino; and longtime friend, Gene Carcone. Linda loved her dogs, currently her golden retriever Holly, who was always by her side and was with her at her passing. She was predeceased by her father-in-law and mother-in-law, Louis F. Sr. and Dorothy LaFache; and in-laws, Louis Francis LaFache, Jr. and Carmen N. Tripolone.

Linda's family will honor and commemorate her life at a private time. Relatives

and friends are respectfully invited to attend Linda's funeral service and Celebration of Life which will commence on Monday morning at 11:00 at Sacred Heart & St. Mary's Church where her Mass of Christian Burial will be offered by Rev. Art Krawczenko and Rev. Anthony P. LaFache. Memorial contributions in her honor may be made to the Stevens-Swan Humane Society online at <https://stevens-swan.org/donate/>; envelopes will be available at the church service.

# Previous Events

## Funeral Service

DEC 31. 11:00 AM (ET)

Sacred Heart/St. Mary's Church  
201 Main Street  
New York Mills, NY

# Tribute Wall

LL

“ *Linda*  
*So many people have reached out to Tony, TJ, Mom, Joe, Lillian & me.... you can't imagine how many lives you touched through your life of 60 years... I hope you are now a guardian angel to all of us. Love & miss you my sister...*

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**Lou Ann Lachut** - January 07, 2019 at 09:02 PM

AR

“ *Anthony,*  
*My thoughts are with you during this time. Sorry for your loss. Archie Robinson, cousin*

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**Archie Robinson** - January 03, 2019 at 10:24 AM

DM

“ *Tony and family. I am so sadden to read of the passing of your wife, mother, sister and family member. Please accept my deepest condolences*  
*Donna Merhib*

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**Donna Merhib** - January 01, 2019 at 02:57 AM

DM

“ *Donna Merhib lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Linda M. (Miller) LaFache*



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**Donna Merhib** - January 01, 2019 at 02:53 AM

RV

“ Tony, sad to hear about Linda's unfortunate passing. My condolences to you and to the family and friends that feel the loss of a loved one.

*someone from the old brotherhood...*

*Richard Valeriano, Los Angeles*

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**Richard Valeriano** - January 01, 2019 at 01:45 AM

CK

“ So sorry to hear of Linda's sudden passing. May she be escorted by Flights of Angels.

*- From an old NY Mills classmate Charlie*

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**Charles Krause** - December 31, 2018 at 04:43 PM

MB

“ With our deepest sympathy. Marty and Diane Broccoli

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**Marty Broccoli** - December 31, 2018 at 10:40 AM

DB

“ Debbie Brasie lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Linda M. (Miller) LaFache



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**Debbie Brasie** - December 31, 2018 at 12:28 AM

DB

*My deepest sympathies go out to the Miller and LaFache families. May all your fondest memories relieve the pain of your loss of Linda at this time....God Bless you all ❤️❤️❤️❤️*

**Debbie Brasie** - December 31, 2018 at 12:40 AM

TA

*“ I am so sorry for your lost, I loved Linda dearly. Love Tabitha*

**Tabitha** - December 30, 2018 at 07:52 PM



*“ To the LaFache and Miller family all my sincere sympathies to all of you .Linda was truly one of the best people in the world. She is now with family in heaven . We will all see her and our loved ones when our time comes. I am truly sorry for the loss of this great person . A friend forever John Kowenia*

**John Kowenia** - December 30, 2018 at 06:34 PM

TW

*“ Tony, Thinking of you during this time of your Loss. She is now at peace in Heaven. Sincerely, Joe Cardillo & Tim Wissenbach*

**Tim Wissenbach** - December 30, 2018 at 09:36 AM

TP

“ Dear Tony and sweet Anthony, Mrs. Miller, LouAnn and Bill, Joey and Beth, I was saddened and shocked to hear of Linda’s untimely passing. Her name was on my lips just days ago. Of course I’m sorry I didn’t keep in touch. I met her 34 years ago, and I’ve Never met anyone like her since. She was so smart and funny and welcoming, always would want to lend an ear to listen and gave good advice. She had the gift of gab and loved a good conversation about any topic. She loved her family; shared many stories. Her parents’ home always open to all. She beamed when she talked about Anthony. I went with her to the Stanley to hear him play the violin. She loved her dear friends and their children, loyal and steadfast. She would lend me the most beautiful suits when I started working and shared everything she had without hesitation and would even forget she lent it to me. She typed for my boss, typed my work. We stayed up many nights before the age of internet looking up birds for a public hearing I covered as a steno. She saw me through many rough times, and I her. We were close for a few years, and I always looked fondly on those times. She let me stay at her apartment when she went away with the love of her life and laughed about the fact that I moved furniture around and tidied it up a bit for her. She said, “I like when people come over here and move stuff around.” We laughed about that for quite a while. Oh that laugh of hers; that pretty smile and eyes full of life and zeal: I will miss knowing she’s here on earth. That was always nice to know. I am truly sorry for all of you, knowing the loss you will endure. I will for sure keep you all in my prayers, Lil, you and your family too.  
God bless  
Rest In Peace my dear sweet beautiful friend.  
Love Therese Plante

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**Therese Plante** - December 30, 2018 at 08:04 AM

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Thank you Therese!

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**Lou Ann Lachut** - January 07, 2019 at 08:56 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mrs. Linda M. (Miller) LaFache.*



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December 29, 2018 at 05:26 PM



“ *Tony, Anthony, and all Linda's family and friends. May our condolences bring you comfort and our prayers help ease the pain of your loss.*

*God Bless,  
Mike Parker & Donnamarie Iannone*

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**michael parker** - December 29, 2018 at 05:12 PM



*Donna, I'm sorry to you too:*

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**Therese Plante** - December 30, 2018 at 08:07 AM



“ *My condolences to the Miller and LaFache family, I remember Linda from the days at New York Mills. Always a sweet woman with a beautiful Smile.*



*Trudy Berkman Nitti*

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**Gertrude M Nitti** - December 29, 2018 at 02:33 PM



“ *....open your eyes, look up to the skies and see.*

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**a friend** - December 29, 2018 at 12:31 PM

BB

“ *Barbie Brindisi lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Linda M. (Miller) LaFache*



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**Barbie Brindisi** - December 29, 2018 at 11:15 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mrs. Linda M. (Miller) LaFache.*



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December 28, 2018 at 04:49 PM