



Mrs. Loretta A. (Piperata) Purpura

November 22, 2014

Mrs. Loretta A. (Piperata) Purpura, passed away unexpectedly on Saturday, November 22, 2014 at the St. Elizabeth Medical Center with her loving family by her side.

Born in Utica, Loretta was the daughter of the late Dominick J. and Laura M. (Pazzola) Piperata. Raised and educated locally, she attended T.R. Proctor High School. On October 19, 1957 at St. Agnes Church, she married George J. Purpura and shared with him a 57 year union of love and understanding. During her working years, Loretta held a position at the former Utica Mutual Insurance Company and subsequently at the General Electric Company. Lastly, she served as Vice-President and Secretary at the family concern, A to Z Auto Sales and concurrently had worked as an Avon representative for over 40 years. After the deaths of her parents and her aunt, Victoria M. Pazzola, Loretta became the matriarch of the family and the guiding light of her loved ones. She was a wonderful wife, mother, sister, and friend to everyone. She loved going to the Turning Stone Casino with her sister, Marie Morreale. She took great delight in shopping and was meticulous in her attire, always sporting attractive clothing and beautiful jewelry. She was a member of the Mohawk Motorcades Automobile Club and the Italian Heritage Club of the Mohawk Valley. She was a very avid fan of the NY Yankees and followed the games right along with her brothers and sister. Loretta loved animals and supported the Stevens-Swan Humane Society. She was a parishioner of St. Agnes Church until its closing, and at that time, she became a communicant

of St. Mary of Mt. Carmel/Blessed Sacrament Parish.

Loretta is survived by her husband, George J.; and her daughter, Susan M. Purpura both of North Utica. She will also be remembered by her sister, Marie S. Morreale; her brothers and sisters-in-law, Richard F. "Peppy" and Beverly Piperata, Victor J. and Brenda Piperata, James A. Piperata, Robert A. and Diana M. Piperata, William C., Sr. and Nancy C. Piperata, Paul M. Piperata, and Fred and Nancy J. Piperata; her aunt, Angeline Pazzola; her many nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, cousins, special family friend, Jennifer Candido who she loved as a daughter; and her granddog, LV. She was predeceased by her in-laws, George and Pasqualina (Ciaello) Purpura; her brother-in-law, Russell J. Morreale; her aunt and godmother, Victoria M. Pazzola; and her godmother, Anna Crescente.

Visitation will be held Tuesday from 4:00-7:00 at the Eannace Funeral Home, Inc, 932 South St., corner of Hammond Ave. Loretta's funeral service and Celebration of Life will commence on Wednesday morning at 10:00 from the funeral home and at 11:00 at St. Mary of Mt. Carmel/Blessed Sacrament Parish where her Mass of Christian Burial will be offered by Rev. James Cesta. Interment will take place in Calvary Cemetery at the convenience of the family.

Cemetery Details

Calvary Cemetery at the convenience of the family

2407 Oneida Street
Utica, NY

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV **25**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Eannace Funeral Home, Inc.
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corner of Hammond Ave.
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Tribute Wall

JO

“ *Bob and Diane, My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family at this time.*

Jody Guarnieri

Jody - November 25, 2014 at 07:51 PM

PW

“ *sorry for your loss*



patricia d williams - November 25, 2014 at 11:38 AM

BS

“ *Sue, we are so sorry to hear of your mother's passing. Our deepest sympathy go out to you an your family. We will keep you in our prayers,*

Donna Polizzi-Mitchell/Barb Smith

BARBARA J SMITH - November 25, 2014 at 10:37 AM

FW

“ *BOB AND DIANA; I SEND YOU MY DEEPEST AND MOST SINCERE PRAYERS, DURING THIS VERY DIFFICULT TIME. MAY OUR BLESSED MOTHER AND HER SON JESUS, WRAP THEIR ARMS AROUND ALL OF YOU.*

FLO

FLO WILSON - November 24, 2014 at 02:03 PM

SC

“ Sharon Campola lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Loretta A. (Piperata) Purpura



sharon campola - November 24, 2014 at 06:34 AM

SC

“ Sue and family, please know we send our deepest sympathy to you and your family. Knowing only too well, what the loss of a mother is, I send your prayers to help you get through this very sad time. Hold on to your memories of your mom, they will help you to keep her close to your heart... with our deepest sympathy, Rosanne Bravo/Sharon Campola

sharon campola - November 24, 2014 at 06:34 AM

CC

“ Charlie, Annette, Jeannine, and Charlene purchased the Lavender & White Sympathy Basket for the family of Mrs. Loretta A. (Piperata) Purpura.



Charlie, Annette, Jeannine, and Charlene - November 23, 2014 at 06:40 PM

KB

“ Dear Sue,

My deepest sympathy goes out to you and your family. I love Aunt Loretta she always made us laugh. Love, Karen Balandis

karen m balandis - November 23, 2014 at 06:00 PM

JE

“ Our deepest sympathy to Loretta's family. Having known Loretta ever since I was really small, what comes to mind is her kindness, compassion, and she was always smiling. I recall the car shows at Munson Williams where she always made sure she saw the art show where my painting was on display. As our Avon representative, she was so cheery whenever she stopped by, and that same cheeriness carried through on special occasions she attended with my family. Every year I looked forward to Loretta's cards, she always send me a card for my birthday, anniversary, and Christmas—I will certainly miss her cards. She was the kindest person I've ever known. She certainly will be missed!



Jeannine (Papelino) & Keith Johnson

jeannine - November 23, 2014 at 05:51 PM

CP

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Cathy Potter - November 23, 2014 at 02:18 PM

NL

“ I'm so sorry for the loss of your mom. My prayers are with you and your family at this sad time!



Nancy Guy Lieber - November 23, 2014 at 02:10 PM

LS

“ I remember when my family and Loretta's family went on a vacation together. One of the funniest things I remember is that Sue's Parents and my parents went to a restaurant. Our parents (Sue's & Mine) were sitting in one booth and Sue, my sister & I were sitting in the next booth. Sue, My sister & I were shooting spit balls from the paper off our straws at our parents. we had a good time. So sorry for your Loss George & Sue. She'll be missed.



Linda Dousharm Shuemaker - November 23, 2014 at 01:08 PM

SS

“ I will always remember the fun, laughs and friendship shared at the Turning Stone. You will never be forgotten, Loretta. To the family, please accept my heartfelt sympathy for your loss.

Sharon Sobolewski - November 23, 2014 at 12:37 PM

SU

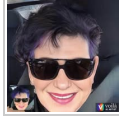
“ I will Love you Always my Mother, my Friend!

Susan - November 23, 2014 at 12:16 PM

AP

Loretta and George have been our friends since the day I was married. In our early years we traveled together to Las Vegas, Mexico, Canada and many more places. We attended the car club meeting together always. They were both part of our family. We raised our daughters together and shared all the happiness and worries that went with raising our daughters. I will miss her very much she was a very upbeat person and she always listened to me and I to her. Rest in peace my dear friend I will always keep you in my prayers.

Annette and Charlie Papelino - November 23, 2014 at 04:24 PM



Sue.... So very sorry for your loss... you and your family will be in my prayers... may your Mother rest in peace among the angels in heaven..... Earlene

Earlene Stoddard Neupert - November 25, 2014 at 07:06 AM

PM

Bobby and Diana - so sorry to hear about your sister's passing. I remember her from our early days together. She was always so upbeat and positive and had a great personality. Please give my best to your family. Phyllis Moracco

Phyllis Moracco - December 02, 2014 at 10:35 AM