



Phyllis A. (Lauria) Ross

December 17, 1936 - February 15, 2008

Mrs. Phyllis A. (Lauria) Ross, age 71, formerly of North Utica and currently of Whitesboro, passed away on Friday, February 15, 2008 at the Katherine Luther Home with her loving family by her side following a courageous battle with cancer.

Born in Utica on December 17, 1936, Phyllis was the daughter of the late Salvatore G. and Virginia E. (Cichello) Lauria. Raised and educated locally, she was a graduate of T. R. Proctor High School. In April of 1965 she married Michael J. Ross with whom she shared a loving union until his passing on March 25, 1966.

Phyllis retired from her career as a sales administrator at Utica Cutlery after years of loyal and conscientious service. Even through the most difficult of adversities, Phyllis maintained her selfless nature always with a smile on her face and happy-go-lucky attitude that her family will dearly miss. The most important consideration in her life was her family's contentment, a loving commitment to which she devoted herself. She was a parishioner of St. Peter's Church in North Utica.

Phyllis is survived by her daughter and son-in-law, Debra Ann and Nelson Pohoreskey of Whitesboro, with whom she resided; and her granddaughter, Brittany M. Pohoreskey, who she referred to as her pride and joy. Survivors also include her sister and brother-in-law, Lucille M. and Nicholas Soldo of Maryland; her aunt, Mary Carlesimo of Utica; her nieces, nephews and their families, and cousins, especially Frances and Tom Mannino; and her in-laws,

Barbara and David Marosek. She held a great affection for her canine companion, Spade.

The family extends appreciation to the Gordon Unit of the Katherine Luther Home for the love and care shared with Phyllis and her family, social worker Roxanne Barrett for her special attention and concern; and Hospice & Palliative Care, Inc., especially Linda Barlow, R.N., JoAnn Wolcott, and Gail Baldwin for their heartfelt support and vigilance.

Visitation will be held on Sunday from 1:00-4:00 at the Eannace Funeral Home, Inc., 932 South St., corner of Hammond Ave. By family request, please omit floral offerings. Phyllis' funeral service will commence on Monday morning at 8:00 from the funeral home and at 9:00 at St. Peter's Church where her Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated. Entombment will take place in Calvary Mausoleum.

Previous Events

Service

FEB 18. 9:00 AM (ET)

St. Peter's Church
422 Coventry Ave
Utica, Ny

Tribute Wall



“ *Phyllis was the most dearest and loving person anyone would want to know. We will always remember her devotion to her family and her work. Phyllis was not only my employee but also my friend through good times and sad times. Our prayers and thoughts are with her family.##imported-begin##Kathleen and Ed Allen##imported-end##*

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“ *Phyllis was a wonderful loving person. We always enjoyed the time spent with her. Especially the holidays dinners !!! She will surely be missed !!!
Lots of Love Tim and Trish Alm##imported-begin##Trish and Tim Alm##imported-end##*

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“ *Knew Phyllis from her years at Utica Cutlery - I am a salesperson - who had contact with her on my monthly calls. Knew her as a very sweet and loving person - "real lady" who had much love and devotion to her family. Sincere sympathy and prayers in your loss.##imported-begin##Geri Tocco##imported-end##*

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“ *Debbie, Nelson, Brintany*

I know you guys are hurting but as a friend of hers for 43 years I feel your hurt. I have many memories of all the good time Phyllis & I had when we went out. Chasing Johnny Cash one night and always going to Howard Johnson for our Ice Cream Sundays. I know she had no regrets from our last talk at the home. I hope she is at peace

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