



## Polly C. (Cucci) Brock

October 3, 1924 - August 6, 2025

UTICA – Polly C. (Cucci) Brock, age 100, passed away peacefully on Wednesday, August 6, 2025, with the love of her family in her heart and the compassionate attention of the Masonic Care Community staff surrounding her.

Born in Utica on October 3, 1924, Polly was the daughter of the late Frank A. and Virginia (Inserra) Cucci. A daughter of Italian immigrants, she grew up in East Utica and was a product of the Depression. She was raised with the values and work ethic required to be successful. She was a proud graduate of T.R. Proctor High School and attended the Utica School of Commerce. Polly never lost sight of where she came from.

On December 6, 1952, Polly married James G. “Jim” Brock, Sr. Their relationship was built on love, mutual support, and respect. Jim was Polly’s everything, and she was his. After serving in the China-Burma-India Theater during World War II, Jim returned home to find Polly had started working at the Jim Brock Agency in Utica in the mailroom and eventually worked her way up to be his private secretary. The couple shared 44 wonderful years of marriage prior to Jim’s untimely passing on July 11, 1996.

Polly was wild and wacky, and kind by nature. She had a special affection for both children and animals. An avid reader of non-fiction, she stayed informed

by reading two to three newspapers a day. She was also a passionate sports fan, never missing a chance to cheer on her beloved Buffalo Bills. Polly also enjoyed gardening and was a collector of antiques.

Polly possessed an unwavering love and dedication to her family—but she could also be fiery and outspoken when the moment called for it! Deeply philanthropic, she generously supported numerous local charities, including but not limited to, Anita's Stevens Swan Humane Society. She had a special fondness for the Utica Zoo and the Theater at Woodshill. A proud snowbird, she spent six months of the year at the beautiful Sea View Hotel in Bal Harbour, Florida, where Jim Sr. enjoyed golfing while Polly indulged in her love of shopping.

Polly is survived by her children and their spouses, Jim G. Jr. and Jonathan H. Brock, and Lola Brock Meakin and her husband Jeremy Edwin John Meakin of Penn, England; and grandchildren, James Edwin Brock Meakin and his wife Sian Margaret Hamer, and Edward Brock Meakin, all of London, England. She held close to her heart the memory of her siblings who preceded her, Rosella C. Lupi, and Attilio F. "Til" Cucci. She leaves behind her brother-in-law, Richard F. Lupi; sister-in-law, Marie J. (Bernardi) Cucci; nieces and nephews, Marlene and Peter Duniec, Frank S. Cucci and Toni Costello, Richard M. Cucci and his wife Frances Maggiore-Cucci, Ginnie Lupi, Susan Lupi, and Andrea and Brett Jones and their families; cousins; and her extended family, Norman R. Hansen, Jessica and Dana Pashley, and Jennifer and Steve Planck. She was predeceased by her in-laws, Helen Miles, Opal Young, Olen Brock, and Tom Brock.

The Brock family wishes to extend their gratitude to Polly's personal assistant and dear friend, Donna Gerardo, and her husband, Tony; and her loyal and loving office assistant, Colleen Truax.

Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend Polly's Memorial Mass of Christian Burial and Celebration of Life which will commence on what would have been her 101st birthday, Friday, October 3, 2025, at 10:00 at Mary, Mother of Our Savior Parish, Lourdes Campus, 2222 Genesee St. Per Polly's request, all who attend are kindly asked to dress business casual and to avoid wearing black (if possible) to her funeral. Memorial contributions in Polly's honor may be made to Anita's Stevens Swan Humane Society online at [www.anitas-sshs.org/donate](http://www.anitas-sshs.org/donate); envelopes will also be available at the Mass. Inurnment will take place in Calvary Mausoleum.

Arrangements have been entrusted to the Eannace Funeral Home, Inc., 932 South St., corner of Hammond Ave.

# Cemetery Details

## Calvary Cemetery

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

# Previous Events

## Memorial Mass

OCT 3. 10:00 AM (ET)

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

# Tribute Wall



“ My husband and I lived next door to Polly for twenty-five years. She was a delightful neighbor -- proud of her family, concerned about others, always upbeat, generous and kind. She gave us tomatoes from her garden and shared tickets to the Utica Symphony. And yes, she had a great sense of humor. Her stories made you laugh and they made you think.

*Suzanne Maurer*

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**Suzanne Maurer** - October 02, 2025 at 09:00 PM



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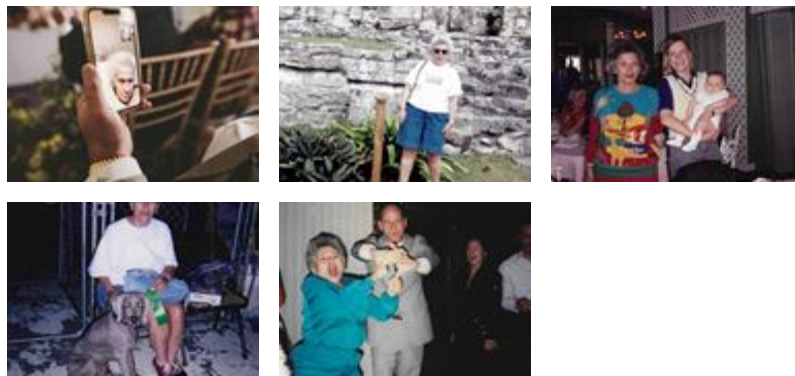


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**Eannace Funeral Home, Inc.** - October 02, 2025 at 10:21 AM



“ 66 files added to the album *LifeTributes*



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**Eannace Funeral Home, Inc.** - October 01, 2025 at 06:53 PM

JB

“ Deepest sympathies and love from the Browns to the Brocks...two generations of friendships cherished. Polly was one of a kind, and we will always remember her...RIP. May her memory be eternal.

John Brown - September 30, 2025 at 07:04 AM

TO

I had the good fortune of spending many mornings with Polly as her personal trainer . She was as real as they come . Witty smart sassy and not afraid to speak her mind . She was a great example of what made her generation great . The world needs more Polly Brock's but they don't make many like her so if you had the opportunity to know her on any kind of personal level you know she was one of a kind .

Thomas ouimette - October 02, 2025 at 08:15 AM



“ Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Polly C. (Cucci) Brock.



September 29, 2025 at 07:48 PM

DR

“ Dennis and Rebecca planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Polly C. (Cucci) Brock.

Dennis and Rebecca - September 29, 2025 at 10:32 AM

DR

“ *Dennis and Rebecca purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Polly C. (Cucci) Brock.*



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**Dennis and Rebecca** - September 29, 2025 at 10:32 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Polly C. (Cucci) Brock.*



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September 18, 2025 at 09:43 AM

LJ

“ *Jimmy, Jonathan and family, I'm very sorry for your loss and sending prayers to all. 🙏*

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**Larry Tanoury, Jr.** - August 18, 2025 at 06:13 PM

DO

“ *I remember our lunches at the Snack Bar at the SeaView and our many visits and long talks...all good memories  
As you would so often say "Thank you for your friendship " Rest in peace.*

*Diane OGrady*

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**Diane OGrady** - August 15, 2025 at 11:21 AM

RS

“ *My condolences to your family.*



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**Roseann Simmons** - August 13, 2025 at 08:48 AM

JJ

“ *Jamie and Joshua purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Polly C. (Cucci) Brock.*



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**Jamie and Joshua** - August 12, 2025 at 12:40 PM