



Rose (Pistoia) Montana

May 22, 1918 - August 11, 2013

Mrs. Rose (Pistoia) Montana, age 95, passed away on Sunday, August 11, 2013 at the St. Elizabeth Medical Center with the devotion and support of her daughters by her side.

Born in Utica on May 22, 1918, Rose was the daughter of the late Crescenzo and Angela (Leo) Pistoia. She was raised and educated locally. On May 1, 1943 she married Serafino Montana with whom she shared nearly 69 years. After the blessing of a lifetime together, Serafino passed away on April 25, 2012. A diligent worker she was one of the “touch-up girls” at the former UNIVAC Corp. A woman of great faith, Rose practiced her Catholic creed at St. Anthony & St. Agnes Church.

Rose is survived by her daughters and sons-in-law, Angela and Larry Arbogast of Amherst, NY, and Martha Montana and her husband Gary Boughton of Bethel, CT; her two grandchildren, Eric, and Alexa Arbogast; and many nieces, nephews, and their families. She was predeceased by her in-laws, Anthony and Mary Montana, Anna Montana, Salvatore and Catherine Montana, Laura and Edward Armata, Nicholas and Mickey Montana, Antoinette Montana, and Philip Montana.

The family is grateful to the entire staff of the St. Elizabeth Medical Center for the care and compassion rendered to Rose. A genuine thank you to Robin Gookins who has been a blessing, and a wonderful nurse to Rose. Her daughters will always remember her support and guidance.

The family will honor and commemorate Rose’s life at a private time. Her

Mass of Christian Burial and Celebration of Life was held at St. Anthony & St. Agnes Church and officiated by Rev. Tom Servatius. Entombment took place in Calvary Cemetery Mausoleum beside her beloved Serafino. Out of her devotion to St. Marianne Cope, memorial contributions may be made to St. Joseph & St. Patrick's Church with a memo of St. Marianne Cope Fund, at 702 Columbia St., Utica NY 13502.

In living the words of Frank Sinatra, Rose did it "My Way."

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