



Elaine M. Gurbacki

July 10, 1938 - January 30, 2022

Gurbacki, Elaine M (nee Rothberger) of Sloan, NY, at the age of 83 passed away January 30, 2022 in car accident with her daughter, the late Krista Casebolt. Elaine lost the love of her life and husband of 40 years, Norbert J. Gurbacki in 2000. Elaine is survived by her beloved children Kim (Craig) Cygan and Kelly (Norbert) Madera; cherished Grandchildren of Nicole (Alex) Gilman, Nicholas & Mykel Madera, Auguste (Steven) Janovic , Natasia (Joseph) Forand and Garrett Cygan. Six dearly loved Great- Grandchildren, Sid Madera, Madelyn & Benjamin Gilman, Sebastian Forand and Aiden & Summer Jankovic. Devoted sister of Judy (late David) Curtis and Brother Lester (Barbara) Rothberger; also survived by many Family, Friends, Neighbors and all the family animals whom she held close to her heart, and her "beloved Hobbs". Elaine worked as a registered nurse for over 50 years. Even after she retired she continued to help both people and animals in need. Elaine touched so many lives Human and Animal alike. She contributed to the SPCA and adopted and rescued many animals in need of a loving home over the years. She was a devout Catholic, and took pride in volunteering at St Andrews Church as a Eucharistic Minister, serving at coffee hour and cleaning the church. Elaine was a pianist and sang with her sister Judy in her younger years. She was also a member of the Cheektowaga choir with her Husband Norbert before he passed away. No prior visitation. Relatives and friends are invited to attend a memorial mass on Saturday March 26th at 10AM in St. Andrews Church, Sloan. Flowers gratefully

declined. Donations may be made in Elaine's name to the SPCA serving Erie County (<https://yourspca.org/donatenow/>) Share Condolences online at www.SmolarekCares.com

Previous Events

Memorial Mass

MAR **26**. 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Andrew's RC Church
34 Francis Ave.
Sloan, NY 14212

Tribute Wall

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“ I have a lot of memories of Elaine, growing up together, Girl Scouts, piano lessons, school dances, and so much more. I talked to Elaine a few days after Christmas, she talked about her children, what all she was doing and all about the animals, she loved so much. It was always fun to talk to her. I won't be able to be in Buffalo for her mass on Saturday, but she will be in my heart and love on that day.....and always. Margie kuwik

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“ Going back thru the years there are many stories I could share about my big sister Elaine (all 5' + of her). One of my many memories was experiencing her and Norb (I think it was when they were dating) sitting at the piano in our living room both singing as Elaine played songs like “When I Grow too Old to Dream” and other classics. With that I experienced what true love was all about. With her passing I am sure that they are together again at the piano entertaining the other Angels.

She took in my wife Barbara like a sister and always made us feel special. Mentor of a better life & love with purpose was shown throughout her life. Love & compassion for all. A true sister-in-law Elaine will always be a spiritual guide.

Her memory will remain always in our hearts and minds forever.

With Love,

Les and Barb

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