



Irene C. Kurek

June 9, 1928 - September 19, 2023

KUREK - Irene C. (nee Stojek)

September 19, 2023 of West Seneca, NY. Beloved wife of the late Frank E. Kurek; Dearest mother of Nancy L. (late Michael) Menza and the late James Kurek; cherished grandmother of Michael Menza, April (Brian) Newman and Ann Marie (David) Runfola. Greatgrandmother of Kyle Joseph Newman.

Predeceased by siblings and in-laws, Adele Borkowski, Joseph Stojek, Arthur (Cecelia) Stojek, John (Annette) Kurek, Mary (Walter) Kubiszyn, and Rose (Anthony) Grabowski; also survived by nieces and nephews. Irene was a retiree of the Buffalo Erie County Public Library and loved playing pinochle at the West Seneca senior center. No prior visitation. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Saturday September 23rd at 10AM in St. Josaphat's R.C. Church, (William and Peoria St.), Cheektowaga.

Interment in St Matthews Cemetery. Flowers gratefully declined. Donations may be made in Irene's name to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital or to a charity of your choice. Arrangements by the DANIEL R. SMOLAREK FUNERAL HOME. Please leave condolences online at www.SmolarekCares.com

Cemetery Details

St. Matthew's Cemetery

180 French Road
West Seneca, NY 14224

Previous Events

Mass of Christian Burial

SEP **23**. 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Josaphat RC Church
20 Peoria Avenue
Cheektowaga, NY 14206

Please Assemble at Church

Tribute Wall

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“ *What a wonderful person and neighbor to have had at the cottage; she loved that place and it hasn't been the same there in recent years with her not there. I loved the talks we had and listened to the many stories she told of her younger days. She loved the golf cart rides down to the beach to watch the sunsets. Reenie, I'll miss you, but know you are well now in God's Kingdom of Heaven. My best to the family during this difficult time.*

Stephen Kaitanowski - September 22, 2023 at 05:52 PM

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“ *So many wonderful memories of time spent at the cottage (don't get her hair wet while swimming, lol), her ease in the kitchen (did she ever get frazzled?), her eagerness to be present and involved. My hope is she is enjoying her reunion with Grandpa, Uncle Jimmy, her mother & sister, and all her family and friends who have gone before. There's going to be some great pinochle games to be had! Love You, Gramma!*



April Newman - September 20, 2023 at 05:51 PM

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“ *Annie Runfola lit a candle in memory of Irene C. Kurek*



Annie Runfola - September 20, 2023 at 02:05 PM

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“ So many memories - playing cards (she was a stickler!), dancing in the kitchen, sharing sparklers at the cottage on 4th of July, discussing our respective fashion tips, manicures, pretzels and coca-cola, plus lots of road trips!

I love you and miss you always Gram!

Annie Runfola - September 20, 2023 at 02:04 PM