



Marie "Bibi" Kasprzak

April 28, 1930 - December 5, 2020

December 5, 2020. Beloved wife of the late Henry Kasprzak; loving companion of the late Frank Gschwentner; dearest daughter of the late John Ambrose and Ida Santangelo; loving sister of Ralph (Nancy) Santangelo and the late Paul (Kay) Ambrose, Patrick (Marie) Ambrose, Tony (Irene) Ambrose and Josephine (Augie) Morcelle; also survived by several nieces and nephews. The family will be present to receive relatives and friends on Tuesday, December 8th from 3-7 PM at the DANIEL R. SMOLAREK FUNERAL HOME, 2047 Broadway, Village of Sloan. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Wednesday at 10 AM in St. Vincent de Paul RC Church, 6441 Seneca St., Springbrook. Please assemble at church Interment in St. Stanislaus Cemetery. Flowers gratefully declined. Pursuant to NYS guidelines, face coverings and social distancing is required at both funeral home and church. Occupancy restrictions may delay entry.

Cemetery Details

St. Stanislaus Cemetery

700 Pine Ridge Heritage Blvd.
Cheektowaga, NY 14225

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 8. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Daniel R. Smolarek Funeral Home - Buffalo
2047 Broadway
Buffalo, NY 14212
(716) 895-9901
<https://smolarekfh.com/>

Mass of Christian Burial

DEC 9. 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Vincent de Paul Church
6441 Seneca Street
Springbrook, NY 14140

Tribute Wall

LK

“ *The news of Aunt Marie’s passing hit me harder than I expected.*

I had not seen her in many years and received news of her through the years from cousin Jim Kuc or my sister Kathy. My memories of her are almost exclusively from childhood, but I remember her with such great fondness. Whenever our family returned to Buffalo to visit Grandma Kasprzak, Marie’s mother-in-law, Henry and Marie seemed to be the life of the celebration, having fun and joking around, telling funny stories and laughing a lot.

After Henry’s passing, Marie moved to be with her family and I saw less of her. Nevertheless, I always received such wondrous gifts from Marie, usually in the form of second hand clothing from her nieces on her side of the family. I thank them for those clothes, as they became my play-clothes for the summer, and often, school clothes that a family of six struggled to find the means to purchase. On one visit there was a table and chairs suitable for tea parties. I was over the moon to receive such a bounty.

In addition to being my aunt, Marie was my godmother. I wrote to her as an older child and a teen, in hopes of having more frequent contact, but as she told me during one visit; she loved my letters, but didn’t write letters herself. At that time, long distance phone calls were pricey. So, between distance, cost of phone calls, and life in general, we did not correspond, and I regret I did not reach out to remedy this during her lifetime.

I’ve always believed that Uncle Henry was Marie’s soulmate and one true love, and in whatever afterlife there may be, I hope they have been rejoined. I will miss you, Aunt Marie, more than I ever thought.

Condolences to her family. I know she was loved and will be missed by all.

Linda Kasprzak

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Linda Kasprzak - December 09, 2020 at 12:12 AM

“ Our sympathy and condolences to all of Aunt Marie's family and loved ones.

Aunt Marie was a second mother to me when I was growing up on 66 Lathrop Street in Buffalo, New York.

We lived above her and Uncle Henry's apartment. Being so close and visited by her often,

I knew her by many names. Aunt Marie of course, Ciotka, (the Polish version of Aunt),

Aunt Bibi (her family nick name, as I grew older), and most affectionate for me, (I'll see ya!).

As a young boy Aunt Marie would often visit me upstairs, bringing me sponge candy and treats when I was sick.

I remember a chocolate Easter Bunny that was literally taller than me. There is a picture of it somewhere standing next to me.

I can see the picture in my mind's eye. I believe that Uncle Henry won it at a raffle.

Anyway, when Aunt Marie (I'll see ya) would leave our apartment she would always say, "I'll see ya".

So that is where the name I'll see ya came from.

We had fun growing up on Lathrop Street but even more fun at the cottage. On many summer weekends

we would drive to the cottage with Uncle Henry and Aunt Marie. It was a fun place to climb trees, go fishing, and

while sleeping on the top bunkbeds we were woken up by Uncle Henry when he would lift us up from beneath to wake us up.

We always enjoyed great grilled meals of chicken and steak with vegetables as well. The best part of Aunt Marie's cooking was the lasagna she would make for family holidays and gatherings when the Florida family would come to town.

By far, the best lasagna I ever had. Does anyone have the recipe?

I could go on and on about fun things and family gatherings as I

*grew up on Lathrop Street.
Aunt Marie was a big part of my life and I will miss her so, especially
the birthday and holiday phone calls to reconnect,
and the last visit with my daughters when we came to Buffalo as a
fathers day gift to watch the Buffalo Bills play. They won!.
Please say hi to all the family members in heaven for us and may
you rest in peace with the Lord and his angels.
You will always be in our prayers, hearths and memories.*

*Love Diane and Jim Kuc (nephew) and our daughters Kristen,
Megan and Kathryn.*

James J Kuc - December 08, 2020 at 08:11 PM

MK

“ *My condolences to family. Aunt Marie will be missed by all who
knew her. Rest In Peace.*

Mike Kasprzak - December 08, 2020 at 12:23 PM

JK

“ *Sympathy and condolences to all of Aunt Marie's family and loved
ones. Many fond memories of family gatherings in Buffalo and at the
cottage with Aunt Marie's delightful personality and friendliness
along with her cooking artistry. She and Uncle Henry were a
wonderful combination. She will be sorely missed. Thank you Aunt
Marie from your nephew, Joey Kasprzak.*

Joseph Kasprzak - December 08, 2020 at 12:05 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Marie "Bibi" Kasprzak.*



December 08, 2020 at 11:17 AM



“ *My condolences to the rest of the family of my dear Aunt Marie. She was a bright spirit and a joy to be around! We will miss her. Rest in Peace, Aunt Marie! Love, from your niece Kathy Kasprzak*

Kathryn Kasprzak - December 08, 2020 at 11:09 AM



“ *With heartfelt prayers and condolences during this very sad time. Such a beautiful lady xoxo Much love to you Ralph, Nancy and family! Love from Peggy and John Lynch and family*

peggy lynch - December 08, 2020 at 10:07 AM