



## Barbara J. Tautznik

February 4, 1951 - January 12, 2026

Barbara J. Tautznik, 74, of Lathrop Road, Gloversville, passed away on Monday, January 12, 2026, at St. Mary's Healthcare in Amsterdam.

She was born in Amsterdam on February 4, 1951, a daughter of James A. and Rena Frederick Miller and was a 1969 graduate of Perth Central School. Barbara later graduated from Spencer Business Institute. She was a lifelong area resident.

Mrs. Tautznik was employed at Amsterdam Print and Litho and later was a secretary at FMCC for more than five years. She worked as an administrative professional at Fulton County Department of Social Services for 26 years, retiring in 2013.

She was a former member of First Presbyterian Church in Broadalbin and later a member of St. Stanislaus Church in Amsterdam.

In high school, Barbara was a cheerleader and later enjoyed playing softball and volleyball. She was a member of the Tri-County Twirlettes and eventually taught classes with her sisters. She enjoyed boating and swimming, downhill skiing, snowmobiling, snowshoeing, and riding motorcycles. Barbara also enjoyed line dancing throughout the area. She was the first woman to be awarded a life membership of the Pine Tree Rifle Club. She enjoyed sewing and could repair just about anything. "If she couldn't do it, she would tell you how to do it".

In addition to her parents, Barbara was predeceased by siblings, Carol Phillips, Karen Ann Boyd, and James A. Miller, Jr.

Survivors include her husband, Peter Tautznik whom she married on September 22, 2007; two children, Randall H. Cannell, II and his wife, Kim E. Scott of Broadalbin, and Valerie (Neil) Siefried of Virginia Beach, VA; a stepson, Peter J. (Kristy) Tautznik, Jr. of Fort Myers, FL; three sisters, Joan (Dominick "Chick") Simeone of Hagaman, Susan Lee Miller (Ron Davis) of Amsterdam, and Gail (John) Carusone of Broadalbin; two half-sisters, Joanne (Dick) Mucilli of Amsterdam and Jill (Rob) Cassube of Alexandria, VA; a stepbrother, Jim (Lisa) Hare of Broadalbin; four grandchildren, Elizabeth, Emily, Julia, and Matylen; two granddogs, Apollo and Foster; and several nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Cremation was performed at Park View Crematorium, Schenectady. Calling hours will be held on Wednesday from 4 – 7pm at the Robert M. Halgas Funeral Home, Inc., 111 County Highway 106 (Corner of Route 29 & Black Street), Johnstown. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Thursday, January 22, 2026, at 11am at St. Stanislaus Church, 50 Cornell Street, Amsterdam with Rev. O. Robert DeMartinis, officiating. Final burial will be held in the spring at Broadalbin-Mayfield Rural Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, Mountain Valley Hospice, the Education Department at Pine Tree Rifle Club, or Roswell Comprehensive Center in Buffalo, in care of the funeral home.

# Cemetery Details

## Broadalbin-Mayfield Rural Cemetery

North Main Street  
Broadalbin, NY 12025

# Previous Events

## Calling Hours

JAN 21. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Halgas Funeral Home  
111 County Highway 106  
Johnstown, NY 12095  
(518) 883-5323  
debbie@halgasfuneralhome.com  
<https://www.halgasfuneralhome.com/>

## Mass of Christian Burial

JAN 22. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Stanislaus Church  
46 Cornell Street  
Amsterdam, NY 12010

# Tribute Wall

JB

“ Jackie and Bev planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Barbara J. Tautznik.

Jackie and Bev - January 19 at 02:31 PM



“ Floor Plant for Sympathy was purchased for the family of Barbara J. Tautznik.



January 19 at 02:31 PM

JE

“ My sincere condolences to the family. I worked with Barb at DSS years ago and she was a really sweet person.

Judy Elmendorf - January 17 at 10:20 PM

TF

“ The Ratajczak Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Barbara J. Tautznik.

The Ratajczak Family - January 17 at 09:24 PM

TF

“ *The Ratajczak Family purchased the Peace, Prayers & Blessings - Blue and White for the family of Barbara J. Tautznik.*



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**The Ratajczak Family** - January 17 at 09:24 PM

NC

“ *So very sorry to learn of Barb's passing. Our thoughts and prayers are with Pete and Barb's family at this very difficult time. God bless her and may she Rest in Peace.*



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**Norm & Roni Cetnar** - January 17 at 03:03 PM

PR

“ *My Deepest Condolences to Pete and family..Met this sweet couple line dancing..she was a lovely lady. Rest easy Barb..*



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**Penny Ross** - January 17 at 07:33 AM

NM

“ *Sending my condolences to Barbara entire family. I worked with Barb at DSS. She was a great person Nancy Martin.*

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**Nancy Martin** - January 16 at 11:18 PM



“ *Peace, Prayers & Blessings - Pink and White was purchased for the family of Barbara J. Tautznik.*



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January 16 at 08:17 PM



“ *Condolences to the family especially to Sue Miller and Gail Carusone and their families.*

*Dottie Richeson*



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**Dottie Richeson** - January 16 at 07:55 PM



“ *Worked with Barb for many years at DSS. Many nice memories of her. So sorry to hear this.*

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**Karen Glover** - January 16 at 07:23 PM



“ *Condolences Peter and family. I worked with Barb and did alot of line dancing with her and Peter. We had lots of fun on the bus trip shopping trips. Barb will be greatly missed. Jill & Terry Bell*



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**Jill Bell** - January 16 at 05:57 PM

TF

“ The Salvione Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Barbara J. Tautznik.

The Salvione Family - January 16 at 03:54 PM



“ Blue & White Sympathy Standing Spray was purchased for the family of Barbara J. Tautznik.



January 16 at 03:54 PM

KW

“ Kelly Walker lit a candle in memory of Barbara J. Tautznik



Kelly Walker - January 16 at 03:45 PM

KW

“ Pete and Randy, I am so sorry for your loss. Barb was a wonderful person, her life ended way to soon. I hope you can both find peace in knowing she isn't fighting her illness anymore.

Kelly Walker - January 16 at 03:45 PM