



Debra L. Drake

January 26, 1955 - May 22, 2025

Debra L. Drake, 70, of Cedar Lane, Gloversville, passed away on Thursday, May 22, 2025, at Nathan Littauer Hospital, surrounded by her loving family. She was born in Niskayuna on January 26, 1955, a daughter of Robert and Patricia McGowan Faboskay, and attended school in Galway and Broadalbin. Debbie was a lifelong area resident.

She enjoyed spending time with her family and friends, and especially her grandsons. Debbie loved baking and making cakes for Ben and Thomas, as well as working on arts & crafts projects. She loved going to craft fairs to see all the handmade creations.

According to her family, Debbie was “the best mother and grandmother anyone could ask for.”

In addition to her parents, she was predeceased by two brothers, Robert and Michael Faboskay.

Survivors include her husband, Dennis P. Drake, whom she married on February 14, 1988; three children, Phillip Faboskay of Amsterdam, Peter (Jeannie) Faboskay of Perth, and Nicole Vennett of Gloversville; six siblings, Dawn (Russell) O’Connor of Ephratah, Russell (Melissa) Faboskay, Mark Faboskay, and Michelle (William) Jennings, all of Broadalbin, Bobbie Jo (Karen) Brooks of Providence, and Eric (Melissa) Brooks of Perth; two grandsons, Ben and Thomas Faboskay; and several nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Calling hours will be held on Wednesday, May 28, 2025, from 4 – 7 pm at the

Robert M. Halgas Funeral Home, Inc. 111 County Highway 106 (Corner of Route 29 & Black Street), Johnstown. A funeral service will be held on Thursday, May 29, 2025, at 10 am at the funeral home, with Linda Eastman, presiding. Burial will follow in Chuctanunda Cemetery in the Town of Florida. Memorial contributions may be made to Mountain Valley Hospice, in care of the funeral home.

Cemetery Details

Chuctanunda Cemetery

Route 30 South
Town of Florida, NY 12010

Previous Events

Calling Hours

MAY 28. 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/>

Funeral Service

MAY 29. 10:00 AM (ET)

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Graveside Service

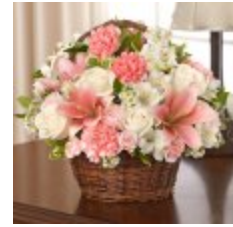
MAY **29**. 11:30 AM (ET)

Chuctanunda Cemetery
Route 30 South
Town of Florida, NY 12010

Tribute Wall



“ *Peace, Prayers & Blessings - Pink and White was purchased for the family of Debra L. Drake.*



May 28, 2025 at 11:45 AM



“ *1 file added to the album*



Donna Novak - May 28, 2025 at 10:20 AM



“ *Pink & White Sympathy Standing Spray was purchased for the family of Debra L. Drake.*



May 28, 2025 at 07:09 AM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Debra L. Drake.*

May 28, 2025 at 07:09 AM



“ *Pink & White Sympathy Floor Basket was purchased for the family of Debra L. Drake.*



May 27, 2025 at 05:03 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Debra L. Drake.

May 27, 2025 at 05:03 PM



“ *God has received a special angel.
Love Laura Cramer Slansky*



Laura Cramer Slansky - May 27, 2025 at 11:04 AM

MF

“ Dennis, Nikki, Pete, Phil & grandsons I'm thinking of you all, I've been going down memory lane with my relationship with Debbie, though we haven't been so close these past few years I remember back to when I first meant Debbie she welcomed me into the family with open arms, Debbie helped planned mine and Russ's wedding and that beautiful Cake she made for us was the best cake ever I will never forget it. She was all 4 of my kids favorite, Matt and Tim used to call her Grandma Debbie when they were little lol she always spoiled them with little gifts and sweets, she was a good kind woman and will be greatly missed, We all loved her dearly and you all were so blessed to have her. I Love you all 🙏 Fly High Angel till we meet again ❤️

Melissa faboskay - May 26, 2025 at 10:04 AM

KB

“ Karen Brooks lit a candle in memory of Debra L. Drake



Karen Brooks - May 24, 2025 at 08:18 AM

KB

“ Memories of Deb are of laughter for myself and Bobbiejo. Each week, she and Bobbiejo would talk on the phone at least twice and I would always hear a lot of laughing and even that typical giggling and it would bring a smile to my face. Deb has treated me (Karen) like a true sister for 18 years with so much respect and love.. for her, I'll be grateful for the sister I never had. Every year she would bake for Bobbiejo's birthday and make fudge and of course I would eat most of it as Deb had the most talent in her skills!! Her laughter or actually her giggles I will miss greatly and her sense of love for her family with Dennis, her children, and especially her grandchildren! Ben and Tom are amazing and Deb would always tell Bobbiejo and myself how proud of them she was! Deb's heart is pure and she is one of the most courageous women I've met. I am honored that I was able to share these 18 years as a "sister like" person with her!

Karen Brooks - May 24, 2025 at 07:42 AM

DR

“ When I first met Deb it was with her mom. Pat. Pat and I went to church together and it was thru her I met Deb. I instantly knew she was a genuine good person. My instincts were right. I attended some family parties and got to meet some of the family. I was impressed with her ability to create the most beautiful cakes. Better than the bakery, She put her love in each one. She also was good with crafts and we saw her talent there. I am sure she will be baking and crafting with Heaven's Angels. RIP, my friend! Dottie Richeson



Dorothy Rkicheson - May 23, 2025 at 11:18 PM

OG

i met Deb and Dennis when they moved next door to us she was a wonderful kind neighbor Dennis always had a big garden she would share the tomatoes and other veggies with us. I loved her laugh it was so genuine. When she and Dennis moved she kept up with us and after my husband passed she would ask me to come and visit and have dinner with them but life gets in the way we get busy. I am so thankful that Dottie and I went to visit her when she was still at home we talked and laughed it was a great day she loved the flowers we brought her. Then of course the last visit with her in the hospital she said she knew we were there I sure hope she did I told her I loved her. She is now with God and one of his sweet angels. I am sorry Dennis Nicky Pete and family for your loss of a beautiful kind Wife Mother and Grandmother but she is with you in spirit RIP Deb you are missed

Olga Green - May 28, 2025 at 01:45 PM

TD

“ The in-laws Mom Dorothy,Deborah,Donna&Ro purchased the Shades of Purple for the family of Debra L. Drake.



The in-laws Mom Dorothy,Deborah,Donna&Ro - May 23, 2025 at 11:06 PM

TD

“ The in-laws Mom Dorothy,Deborah,Donna&Ro planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Debra L. Drake.

The in-laws Mom Dorothy,Deborah,Donna&Ro - May 23, 2025 at 11:06 PM

SV

“ Shirley Vanavery lit a candle in memory of Debra L. Drake



Shirley Vanavery - May 23, 2025 at 07:48 PM

BF

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Ben Faboskay - May 23, 2025 at 06:16 PM

KB

Beautiful Ben!!

Karen Brooks - May 24, 2025 at 08:17 AM

BF

Thank you Karen, it was actually Desaray who made it.

Ben Faboskay - May 28, 2025 at 03:36 PM