



Harriett M. Van Allen Ballou

July 11, 1937 - November 22, 2023

Harriett M. Van Allen Ballou, 86, of State Highway 30, went to be with the Lord on Wednesday, November 22, 2023.

She was born in Gloversville, NY on July 11, 1937, a daughter of the late Fred and Julia Lathrop Van Allen. On August 7, 1955 she married her true love, Frank H. Ballou, Sr. of 66 years. Sadly, Frank passed away on January 30, 2022.

Mrs. Ballou was employed with the telephone company and worked as a nurses' aide at Nathan Littauer Hospital. She left work to be a devoted loving mother raising her children. Later in life she worked in the cafeteria at Mayfield Central Elementary School, McDonald's of Gloversville, and was a devoted loving caregiver for her mother Julia until her passing.

Harriett enjoyed spending time with her family and friends, camping in the Adirondack Mountains, taking long rides with the family, sewing with her daughter, and watching her Yankees and Dallas Cowboys play ball. She enjoyed spending time playing with her grandchildren and great-grandchildren, picnics with family and friends at home and at Wells campsite and going to class luncheons with her dear classmates. Harriett will be remembered for her amazing Sunday dinners with family and friends.

Survivors include her daughter, Karen Ballou (Edward) Taylor; son, Frank (Lori) Ballou, Jr.; sister, Sylvia Van Allen (Bob) Pierce; nephew, William "Buck" VanVolkenburg; grandchildren, Josh Ballou, Frankie (John Damphire) Ballou, Sean (Kari) Rizzo, Rebecca (Michael) Hart, Gary Lee Warner, II, Matthew

Warner, and Megumi Taylor; great-grandchildren, Raelynn, Willow, Blake, Charlotte, and Elaina.

The family will receive relatives and friends on Wednesday, November 29, 2023 from 10am - 12pm at the Robert M. Halgas Funeral Home, 111 County Hwy 106, (Corner of Rt. 29 and Black St.) Johnstown, followed by a funeral service at 12 noon with Rev. Dr. Bonnie Orth, officiating. Burial will be in Mayfield Union Rural Cemetery.

The family would like to extend a very special thank you to Mountain Valley Hospice, Taylor Bornt, RN and Meghan Agerter, LPN and Aide for their incredible care and kindness; to Lara Zwijacz, PA for again giving care to our loved one; and a huge thank you to OFA Johnstown Shirley Luck Senior Center and the exceptional staff at the Good Times Day Program for their unconditional love and care and for giving Harriett back her social life again.

Previous Events

Calling Hours

NOV **29**. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Halgas Funeral Home
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Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall

LS

“ My sweet Harriett, there is no other person that I have ever meet that loved life and people like her. She truly loved everyone. She always said God Bless you honey! She was a true believer and a good soul. I was just able to see her a month ago and so glad I was able to sit with her and able to visit. We will always remember that she got to one last trip to the airport with us - she loved to go for rides but she really loved the airport! She will be a very big shining light up there in heaven as she was down here. RIP my sweet friend and we will meet again at heaven gates. I love you. Blessings and prayers to the family ☐

Leslie Smith - November 28, 2023 at 07:54 AM

SL

“ met Harriet @nlh and we became forever friends even though we did,nt see much of each other it was always a pleasure to see her, she always invited me to her Sunday dinners, wish i had gone now, not to many women like Harriet rest in peace my forever friend.

sheila lewis - November 27, 2023 at 02:16 PM



“ European Sympathy Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Harriett M. Van Allen Ballou.



November 26, 2023 at 10:18 AM

MF

“ *Marlene and family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Harriett M. Van Allen Ballou.*

Marlene and family - November 26, 2023 at 10:18 AM

MJ

“ *So sorry for the family. Harriett is at peace and visiting with Frank. Such a good friend for many many years. I will miss her. May she RIP.*

Marlene Junquera - November 25, 2023 at 07:30 PM