



Joan M. Bates

September 10, 1928 - April 21, 2018

Joan M. Bates, 89, of State Highway 67, Amsterdam and formerly of Broadalbin, died Saturday morning April 21, 2018 at Wilkinson Residential Health Care Facility.

She was born in Amsterdam on September 10, 1928 a daughter of William and Lena Casline Reinhart and was a 1943 graduate of Wilbur H. Lynch High School. Joan was a lifelong area resident.

Mrs. Bates was employed as a secretary at Amsterdam Printing Co. and also as a hostess at the Colonial Inn in Galway. Later, Joan worked in the cafeteria at the Broadalbin Central School, retiring several years ago. Following her retirement, she and her husband owned and operated the former Broadalbin Ice Cream Parlor.

She was a member of St. Stephen's Catholic Church in Hagaman.

Joan was a wonderful wife, a great mother and grandmother, and a loving sister. She enjoyed attending her grandchildren's school and sporting events. Joan had many special friends and her smile was loved by everyone. She was a wonderful hostess at the Bates' pool parties and enjoyed traveling and shopping. Joan was a good listener and always tried to help others.

She was married to Clifford G. Bates on August 29, 1948. He died on September 8, 2017.

Survivors include her daughter, Bonita (Douglas) Burroughs of Northville; a brother, Lewis (Linda) Reinhart, of Scotia; five grandchildren, Brandon Pileckas, Paul (Laura) Pileckas, Connie (Mike) Weisepape, Jason Burroughs

(Amy), and Brian (Lisa) Burroughs; twelve great-grandchildren; and several nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Cremation was performed at Park View Crematorium, Schenectady. A graveside service will be held on Wednesday May 9, 2018 at 11 am at the Gerald B.H. Solomon-Saratoga National Cemetery, 200 Duell Road, Schuylerville. Memorial contributions may be made to the Montgomery County SPCA, in care of the funeral home. Arrangements are by the Robert M. Halgas Funeral Home, Inc. 111 County Highway 106, Johnstown.

Cemetery Details

Gerald B.H. Soloman Saratoga National Cemetary

200 Duell Road
Schuylerville, NY 12871

Previous Events

Graveside Service

MAY 9. 11:00 AM (ET)

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