



Rose-Marie Ferguson

November 13, 1973 - January 14, 2021

Rose-Marie Ferguson, 47, passed away peacefully on Thursday, January 14, 2021, at her parents' home with her family at her side, after an eighteen-month battle with gastric cancer.

She was born in Gloversville on November 13, 1973 a daughter to Edward Rife and Rose Ann Dwyer and attended school in Johnstown. Rose later completed a cosmetology program and was a licensed beautician. She also pursued a career in healthcare, working as a CNA while taking courses at FMCC to become a registered nurse.

Rose was an incredibly special, caring, and compassionate person. She was well known for her hilarious sense of humor and the way she loved and valued her family. Anyone that ever knew Rose knew what a joy she was to be around and the way she could light up a room with her infectious smile. Rose enjoyed traveling with her companion, Doug, and taking trips with her dear Aunt Terri. Above all else, her greatest joy was being a mother and a Granny. Rose most certainly lived a life full of love.

She was predeceased by her father, a brother-in-law, Brian Shanahan, her beloved aunt and uncle, Sandra and Ira Cromling, and her maternal and paternal grandparents.

Survivors include her two children, whom she loved immensely, Sandra Ferguson (Nick) and Timothy Ferguson, Jr., her precious and adored granddaughter, Violet, all of Broadalbin; her companion, Douglas Grimaldi of Frankfort; her parents, Rose Ann Dwyer and Anthony Polenski of Gloversville;

three brothers, Bill Dwyer (Sarah) of Johnstown, Michael (Melissa) Dwyer of Mayfield, and Melvin Rife of Esperance; three sisters, Ruth Ann Shanahan of Broadalbin, Katrina Rife of Amsterdam, and Traci Polenski of Gloversville; nieces and nephews, Courtney, Sean, Benji, Ashlee, Meghan, Kendra, Brandon, and Andria; many loving aunts, uncles, cousins, great-nieces and-nephews; special kids in her life, Brooklyn, Alex, Jack, Nicholas, Isabelle, and Matthew; her dear Cromling cousins whom she loved and thought of as siblings, Ira (Kathy) Cromling, Jr., Patrick (Trudi) Cromling, Albert (Pam) Cromling, Heidi (Jack) Hunt, and Muriel (Don) May; her friend and father to her children, Timothy Ferguson, Sr.; and an abundance of supportive and caring friends.

Cremation was performed at Park View Crematorium, Schenectady. Calling hours will be held on Friday from noon – 3pm at the Robert M. Halgas Funeral Home, Inc. 111 County Highway 106 (Corner of Route 29 & Black Street), Johnstown. A service will follow at 3 pm with Rev. David Smith, officiating. In accordance with current health guidelines, facial coverings and social distancing are required. Memorial contributions may be made to Upstate Cancer Center, in care of the funeral home.

Rose's family would like to express heartfelt gratitude to Dr. Raul Seth and Dr. Thomas Vandermeer of Upstate Medical University for the compassion and care they provided; and to Robin at Mountain Valley Hospice for her guidance and support.

Previous Events

Calling Hours

JAN 22. 12:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Halgas Funeral Home
111 County Highway 106
Johnstown, NY 12095
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Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Healing Tears - All White* was purchased for the family of Rose-Marie Ferguson.



January 21, 2021 at 11:15 AM



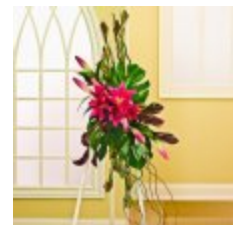
“ *Healing Tears - All Pink* was purchased for the family of Rose-Marie Ferguson.



January 21, 2021 at 10:27 AM



“ *Eternal Paradise* was purchased for the family of Rose-Marie Ferguson.



January 20, 2021 at 07:47 PM



“ *Lavender & White Standing Open Heart* was purchased for the family of Rose-Marie Ferguson.



January 20, 2021 at 05:36 PM

DG

“ Douglas Grimaldi purchased the Eternal Love for the family of Rose-Marie Ferguson.



Douglas Grimaldi - January 20, 2021 at 09:20 AM

LI

“ Lizzie lit a candle in memory of Rose-Marie Ferguson



Lizzie - January 20, 2021 at 06:28 AM

BC

“ Brenda Cornell lit a candle in memory of Rose-Marie Ferguson



Brenda Cornell - January 19, 2021 at 06:07 PM



“ Peace, Prayers, & Blessings- Lavender and White was purchased for the family of Rose-Marie Ferguson.



January 19, 2021 at 06:04 PM

JP

“ *Rose-Marie,*

*My beautiful niece and Godchild.
You will be missed, I will hold you
in my Heart forever.*

Love, Aunt Joan - Colorado

Joan Peat - January 18, 2021 at 05:43 PM

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“ *Rose was my very best friend growing up, and although life took us in different directions, we kept in touch throughout the years. She was most definitely the funniest person I've ever known. One of my fondest memories is when Rose, Ruth Ann, and me decided we wanted to go cut our own Christmas tree down for their house from a pine tree grove in the middle of the night, so we took a hatchet and drove up the road, and we were giggling all the way. We ran into the grove, laughing our faces off, chopping the tree down, and the people who lived behind the grove and most likely owned it, heard us and came outside, turned their porch light on, and started yelling out. We ran like a bat out of Hell dragging that tree across the land through the ditch and into the car and took off, laughing so hard all the way home that we could barely talk.*

Raechel Anderson (Sarr) - January 17, 2021 at 01:14 PM



“ *Peace, Prayers & Blessings - Blue and White was purchased for the family of Rose-Marie Ferguson.*



January 17, 2021 at 12:53 PM

LG

“ *Linda Gardner lit a candle in memory of Rose-Marie Ferguson*



Linda Gardner - January 17, 2021 at 08:47 AM

LG

“ *Rose came to work for me out of beauty school. She was a hard worker, great human being, funny and greatly cared for. May the Lord comfort all of her family. Linda Gardner*

Linda Gardner - January 17, 2021 at 08:46 AM



“ *Healing Tears - Blue and White was purchased for the family of Rose-Marie Ferguson.*



January 16, 2021 at 10:06 PM



“ *Multicolor Bright Sympathy Floor Basket was purchased for the family of Rose-Marie Ferguson.*



January 16, 2021 at 09:30 PM

KL

“*Rose was a wonderful person. She was a kind soul who cared deeply about people.*”

Kris Larson - January 16, 2021 at 09:18 PM



“*Pink Satin Cross Pillow was purchased for the family of Rose-Marie Ferguson.*”



January 16, 2021 at 02:50 PM

MM

“*Marlene Mango purchased the Starbucks Coffee Condolences for the family of Rose-Marie Ferguson.*”



Marlene Mango - January 16, 2021 at 02:39 PM