



## Sophia Lazurko Bishko

April 7, 2017

Sophia Lazurko Bishko, 94, formerly of Broadalbin, New York, died peacefully on Friday, April 7, 2017 in Houston, Texas, where she lived her last two-and-one-half years of life.

Sophia was born in Ukraine, to Rev. Petro Lazurko and his wife Maria. She immigrated to the United States in 1949 with her husband Konstantyn and their children as refugees. Her faith was a source of strength in meeting the challenges of building a new life on Union Mills Road, her home for 55 years. She was an active member of St. Basil's Ukrainian Catholic Church in Broadalbin and later St. Nicholas Ukrainian Catholic Church in Amsterdam. Sophia was accomplished in traditional Ukrainian embroidery, was an excellent cook, and was well known for her generous hospitality.

Sophia was predeceased by her husband, Konstantyn, and sons Peter and Orest. She leaves behind daughters Christine (Victor) Villacorta of Houston, Texas and Irene (Rev. Roman) Galadza of Brampton, Ontario, Canada; son Igor (Carol) of Venice, Florida; widowed daughters-in-law, Sherry Bishko of Saratoga Springs, New York and Charlene Bishko of Little Rock, Arkansas; 12 grandchildren and 13 great grandchildren; nephews and nieces in Canada, Poland, and Ukraine.

The family will receive friends at the Robert M. Halgas Funeral Home, Inc, 111

County Highway 106 (corner of Route 29 and Black Street) Johnstown, on Wednesday, April 19 from 4 - 7 pm with a Panachyda service at 6 pm. The Funeral Rite of Burial, officiated by Archpriest Roman Galadza and Rev. Marian Kostyk, will take place at 10 am on Thursday, April 20, at St. Nicholas Ukrainian Catholic Church, 24 Pulaski Street, Amsterdam, New York, followed by burial at St. Basil's Cemetery, Union Mills Road, Broadalbin.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Nicholas Ukrainian Catholic Church (address above) or to the reconstruction of St. Elias Ukrainian Catholic Church, by mail (10193 Heritage Road, Brampton, Ontario Canada L7A 0A1) or directly via the church website: [www.saintelias.com](http://www.saintelias.com).

# Cemetery Details

## St. Basil's Ukrainian Catholic Cemetary

Broadalbin, NY 12025

# Previous Events

## Calling Hours

APR 19. 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/>

## Service

APR 19. 6:00 PM (ET)

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## Funeral Rite of Burial

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APR **20**. 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Nicholas Ukrainian Catholic Church  
24 Pulaski St.  
Amsterdam, NY 12010

# Tribute Wall

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“ *XENIA O DERESZ lit a candle in memory of Sophia Lazurko Bishko*



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**XENIA O DERESZ** - February 02, 2021 at 12:45 AM

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“ *At this Thanksgiving time of year, as I watch my wife, Ingrid, bake apple crumb pie, I am reminded of Sophie and the time she worked for me at Eagle Mills. She was such a great baker and I remember the speed with which she sliced those apples!! I also remember her delicious perogies. She often asked if she could pick mushrooms in my backwoods. I heartily agreed to that, because the next day she would show up with a plate of those awesome perogies. I moved to Florida 4 years ago, and sold Eagle Mills in 2011. Sophie was such an integral part of my life for several years. I will always remember her.*

*Craig Boyko  
20639 Dennisport Ln.  
North Ft. Myers, Fl. 33917*

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**Craig Boyko** - November 21, 2018 at 10:34 AM

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“ *I have loved and admired you, my dear Tsiotsu Zoniu and will miss you, your laugh, your strength, your courage, your encouragement and your recalling the memories of long ago. You will always be in my heart.*

*Marusia*

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**marusia bishko prybyla** - April 20, 2017 at 03:06 AM



“ *Pink & White Sympathy Basket was purchased for the family of Sophia Lazurko Bishko.*



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April 19, 2017 at 01:59 PM



“ *Our children Danya and Marko will always remember our stops to visit "Panyee-Baba-Bishko" in Broadalbin, her delicious vegetable soup, how she demonstrated working on her loom, enjoying breakfast cereal and conversation with her in the enclosed porch. Such a warm, generous, and giving heart, such a beautiful and always welcoming person. She will be very missed. Our condolences and prayers to everyone in the family.*  
*Bohdan and Halya Snihur*

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**Helene Snihur** - April 19, 2017 at 08:54 AM