



Thelma A. Walag

August 6, 1924 - May 26, 2026

Thelma A. Walag, 101, of North Boulevard, Gloversville, passed away at home on Tuesday, May 26, 2026, with family and friends near her.

She was born in Broadalbin on August 6, 1924, a daughter of Frank and Effie Chase Saunders and was educated locally. Thelma lived in Hagadorn Mills, Broadalbin, and Gloversville. She spent three years living near Oakland, CA and later lived in Tampa, FL for 23 years. Thelma returned to Gloversville in 2003.

She worked in a knitting mill when she was young and later in life was an election poll worker. Thelma also babysat for many children.

She enjoyed playing cards and bingo and loved doing Sudoku and puzzles.

In addition to her parents, Thelma was predeceased by her two husbands, Walter Bruse and Chester Walag, a son and daughter-in-law, Walter "Butchie" and Sandra "Sandy" Bruse, three brothers, Joseph and Raymond Ladd, and Roland Saunders, and three sisters, Mary "Mae" Dingman, Sarah "Sadie" Nuhfer, and Glenyce Worbel.

Survivors include three children, Cheryl Bruse, Terry (Sally) Bruse, and Randy (Christina) Walag; three grandchildren, Thomas, Jamie, and Amanda Bruse; two great-grandchildren, Makayla and Alexis French; and several nieces and nephews.

Cremation was performed at Park View Crematorium, Schenectady. Final burial will be at Union Mills Cemetery at a later date. Arrangements are by the Robert M. Halgas Funeral Home, Inc., Johnstown.