



Elsie P. Mackey

April 12, 1959 - November 24, 2016

Elsie P. Mackey passed peacefully in the early morning of November 24th, 2016 from complications related to a recent diagnosis of lung cancer at the age of 57. She was a 1977 graduate of LaFayette High School. She then attended Simmons School of Mortuary Science and worked for several years for Donald L. Barber funeral home as a funeral director. Elsie also worked for many years in the banking industry, most recently for HSBC Bank in Tully, NY. At the time of her death, Elsie was a billing specialist with Cortland Home Health Services having worked for Cortland Regional Medical Center for nearly 15 years.

Elsie is survived by her beloved husband, Patrick Mackey of Homer, NY; a daughter, Dr. Heather Mackey-Fowler and her husband, James Fowler of Wakefield, RI; a son, Patrick Mackey Jr. of Homer, NY; and grandsons, Liam Mackey and Kieran and Declan Fowler. She is also survived by her brothers, Stanley Sawkins (Shirley) of Ellenton, FL and Daniel S. Sawkins (Laura) of Lafayette, NY; as well as a number of sisters and brothers-in-law and nieces and nephews who all loved her deeply. She is predeceased by her parents, Dorothy M. and Charles J. Sawkins, and her brothers, Charles J. Sawkins, Jr. and John L. Sawkins.

Elsie was recognized as an American Red Cross Real Hero in 2015. She had donated over 14 gallons of blood over a nearly 20 year period. The family

requests any donations in lieu of flowers be made to the American Red Cross or the ASPCA of Cortland County.

Calling hours will be held on Monday, November 28th from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Funeral services will be held on Tuesday, November 29th at 10:00 a.m. All services will be held at Ballweg & Lunsford Funeral Home, 2584 Field Lane, LaFayette, NY 13084.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yqvUAtqV75g>

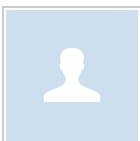
Tribute Wall



“ *Ballweg & Lunsford Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Elsie P. Mackey*



Ballweg & Lunsford Funeral Home - November 24, 2016 at 12:00 AM



“ *Pat*
I was so sorry to hear of Elsie's passing. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family
Chuck Bewley and Linda Dunn- Bewley

November 29, 2016 at 12:00 AM



“ *Aunt LC would always light up a room when she walked in. She was also always the voice of reason! I am so thankful for being a part of her family!*
You will be missed by many.
Christine Sawkins-Davies

Candle of Love - November 28, 2016 at 12:00 AM



“ *My deepest sympathy to the Sawkins and Mackey families. Elsie was a wonderful lady. Energetic, helpful, caring, and affectionate. She will be missed by all of us that knew her!*

Candle of Love - November 28, 2016 at 12:00 AM

AW

“ To LC's family and friends,

I am so sorry for your loss. LC was such a wonderful person. She took pride in her job and was the very best at it. An amazing friend to all. LC you are missed beyond words. Thinking about all of you during this difficult time. May you RIP.

Angel Wings - November 28, 2016 at 12:00 AM



“ *I was shocked and saddened to hear of the passing of this kind and gentle lady. Elsie was always smiling, positive, thoughtful, and had nice things to say. Even my son, who hadn't seen her in several years and only knew Elsie as one of my customers, remembered her as "kind"--a trait not to be taken for granted, especially in these harsher times. Her love for animals showed in her care for Gabbey and other stories she shared. Elsie was a sweet lady and I'm so very sorry she's gone.*

November 28, 2016 at 12:00 AM



“ *Pat & family, so sorry to hear of your loss, may God watch over you and your family.*

Sandy Cardillo and Bob Dilorio from Jill' s Doggy Day Care

November 27, 2016 at 12:00 AM

DO

“ Pat and family. I am so sorry for your loss. Elsie was a wonderful person and was loved by many. She was such a part of our family through many happenings.....like an Aunt. She always had good advise to give us if needed. She will be missed dearly. Love to all of you at this time. You are all in my prayers and thought. Love Shelly Peak and family.

Dove - November 27, 2016 at 12:00 AM



“ So sad to hear this news. Elsie was such a sweet and fun person to know. Always so upbeat and kind when I would run into her. So sorry.....sincerest condolences to the whole family for your loss and this void in your lives. I will so miss seeing her around.

November 27, 2016 at 12:00 AM



“ You are a great soul Elsie. You shall be forever missed. My prayers to Pat, Danny, Stosh and family. Rest In Peace my friend. Love, Steve Swisher

November 26, 2016 at 12:00 AM



“ I am so sorry to see you go. You were a very caring person and gave all your love to not only your family but your friends as well. May you rest in peace.
My prayers for the family and friends I am so sorry for your loss, may God be with you all.
Sue Selover Lanty and Family

November 26, 2016 at 12:00 AM



“ I will always remember Elsie's warmth, love, and husky laugh. Even though i didnt see her much, when i did, the kinship was there. She and I, and Pat, because i almost always saw them together, would always have something to laugh and talk about, sharing stories about the farm, my mom or one of my brothers, The love she had for me and our connection to each other, that was forged from childhood was evident. She was my babysitter, my neighbor, married to a Mackey, a family that is forever connected to mine, and she was my friend. Safe journies Elsie. You will be missed.

November 26, 2016 at 12:00 AM



“ I will miss you my dear friend. So blessed to have had your support for the 38 years. You are one amazing person. I love you, my heart if broken again. Test in peace

Butterfly - November 26, 2016 at 12:00 AM



“ Our Hearts go out to Elsie's family. Such a great lady. Dave and Cecile Murray

November 26, 2016 at 12:00 AM



“ I'll always have the fondest memories growing up with you as our neighbor and friend. We roamed the country acres between our houses and you married a great man and close friend of mine. May you continue on your untimely journey knowing that you left the world a better place with all of your great deeds and sincere kindness.

November 26, 2016 at 12:00 AM



“ You are one of the nicest people I have ever known. My heart goes out to Pat and all of the many family and friends who love you and will miss you dearly.

November 26, 2016 at 12:00 AM



“ Elsie, as your neighbor and the youngest Swisher, I recall your calm and kindness. My life seemed a whirlwind of drama and unrest. You were always calm. You were also kind, making sandwiches for me, when my mom dropped in.

I remember vividly the day my mom took me to set up my 1st bank account. You were the teller. You asked about Mark. I remember thinking, 'how could she know Mark?'

I've heard great things about your daughter. You've done a great job on this earth. May your family take comfort in that.

November 26, 2016 at 12:00 AM



“ Elsie, these words do not do you justice. Love and peace on your journey...

November 25, 2016 at 12:00 AM