



Ethel L. Rutherford

April 13, 1914 - February 29, 2004

Ethel L. Rutherford, age 89, of Apulia, New York Sunday, February 29, 2004 at her daughter's home in Tully, New York.

Ethel was born April 13, 1914 in Navarino, New York, the daughter of Edward and Gertrude (Case) Ramsden. She was the wife of Kenneth Rutherford who died in July 1998.

Mrs. Rutherford is survived by four daughters, Dawn Memory of LaFayette, New York, Cherry Hammond and her husband Russell of Pompey, New York, Mary Lou Pulaski and her husband James of Tully, New York, Bette Jo McDermott and her husband John of Fabius, New York; three sons and their wives, Kenneth and Lisa Rutherford of Miami, Florida, James and Sherry Rutherford of Manlius, New York, Raymond and Carol Rutherford of DeRuyter, New York; two brothers and their wives, Paul and Helen Ramsden of Marcellus, New York, Richard and Marcia Ramsden of Camillus, New York; 23 grandchildren, 19 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral Services: Thursday, March 4, 2004, 11:00 a.m. in Apulia Methodist Church with Rev. Jay Yang officiating.

Spring Burial: Saturday, May 15, 2004, 1:00 p.m. in Maplewood Cemetery, Berwyn, New York.

Calling Hours: Wednesday, March 3, 2004, 4:00 - 8:00 p.m. at Ballweg & Lunsford Funeral Home, Inc., 2584 Field Lane, LaFayette, New York.

In lieu of Flowers, contributions can be made to Lukies Soul Foundation at CNY Children's Miracle Network, C/O Upstate Medical University Foundation, Inc., 750 East Adams Street, Syracuse, NY 13210-9943 or Hospice Of Central New York, 990 Seventh North Street, Liverpool, New York, 13088 or Apulia Methodist Church.

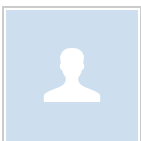
Tribute Wall



“ *Ballweg & Lunsford Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Ethel L. Rutherford*

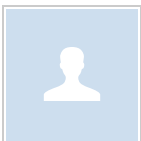


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“ *rest in peace gram. God finally decided He wanted His pies. He had better be enjoying them b/c they sure came at a high price. I love you and miss you. Love, Jared*

March 05, 2004 at 12:00 AM



“ *Dearest Mom, I will always remember the wonderful times we spent together-shopping, motor home trips, Florida visits and silly things like ducking the pigeons on Salina Street. The many, many memories of you will be passed on to my grandchildren so they will know you and love you as I do. Give Dad a huge hug as well as Clint. Let Clint know the kids and I are doing ok, though we miss him immensely. Spread those beautiful wings and fly with the angels Mom. I love you and miss you so much. Dawn*

March 05, 2004 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Gram, There is so much to say, I don't even know where to begin. You are a very special person and I am so disappointed that my children will never get to know you. I will try my best to make sure they know you and how both you and Gramp lived & loved. Love Always, Joe, Linda & Kids

March 04, 2004 at 12:00 AM



“ My darling Ethel: I am a much finer person for knowing you. You have been my mother-in-law, my mother, my friend and my confidante. You are the finest woman I have ever known and exude the highest level of class that I can think of. You have taught me so much about acceptance and forgiveness. You are in my heart forever. Whenever we look at the stars, we will see you. You are truly one of Gods chosen. Everyone you have ever connected with, you touched deeply. Jackie, Cindy, Ida and Aunt Betty all feel your passing greatly. I know that you are with my mom and dad and feel comfort knowing that you now are a guardian angel looking over us. I trust that you are looking over us in heaven. I will continue to turn to you for guidance to be strong and make the right choices. I will always hold you close to my heart as will Harry, Kenny, Elisa and Kennie. I promise your legacy will live on and we will continue to make you proud. I could not love you more if you had given birth to me. Thank you for loving me in the way that only you could. I will always hold you in my heart. Harry will always hold you in his heart. You will be with us forever. Rest in peace and please give my parents my love and let them know that we're all doing OK. When it is my time, I will find comfort in the knowledge that you are waiting for me. I hope that you have finally realized your immense value to everyone that has known you. I will think of you every New Years at midnight. All my love forever and always, Lisa

March 03, 2004 at 12:00 AM



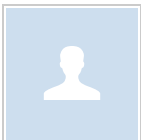
“Gram, you were so many things to us; a strong, sassy woman; a kind and loving mother; a sweet and caring grandmother; a teacher of lost arts (home cooking, gardening, canning, baking and so much more) and a good friend. I feel honored to be a part of this family and to have been able to share in knowing you and learning from you. It amazes me to think that you and Gramp were the reason so many of us can feel blessed in our current lives. The children resulting from your union gave life to so many grandchildren and great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren. Without which I would not be the lucky wife and mother that I am. Ethel, thank you for all your contributions to this world. It will not be the same without you. I know how much you meant to all of us and I am so sad that my son will not grow up to know you personally. I know your memory will live on for him through video, photo, family stories and your continued presence in our lives. You have been an inspiration and a joy for us all and we love you and miss you already.

March 03, 2004 at 12:00 AM



“Gram, You will be missed by so many people. You are the kindest and most extraordinary lady I know. I have learned so much from you, including patience and forgiveness. You have given so much to so many people and I am proud to be your granddaughter. I love you so much and you will forever be in my heart. -Cheryl

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“Great-Grandma I will always remember the good times we had together and I will always love you!

March 02, 2004 at 12:00 AM



“ To my gram, you weren't just a wonderful grandmother you were a wonderful person, so thoughtful, caring, giving, and LOVING. You will forever be in my heart. This earth has lost a saint, but heaven gained an amazing angel who will eternally be looking doown on us all thru the WHOLES IN THE FLOOR OF HEAVEN! forever your loving grandson Jeff

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“ My Mother, My best Friend. What life has given us we will never forget, we had so many wonderful times together, so many laughs. Remember sitting on Sants's lap? Your making Christmas baskets for the elderly, each receiver was ten years younger than you! I'm glad Dad finally got something to eat. Please rock Lukie for Dr. Frechette. Watch over all of us as we have vowed to stick together and spend holidays together as you always taught us. Family is so important and helping each other will remain our prime concern. We will miss you so much, but the memories we hold will get us though until we meet again. Give Dad a hug for me and I love you both so much. Hugs and kisses - Louie and Jim

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“ Dear Grandma, I will miss you so much! You taught me so much in life, How to be caring, loving, thoughtful and most of all to be myself. I hope I can be as good a person as you were. You were loved by so many people. You and Grandpa are now together, HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!!! I will love you always, Rhonda

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“ Grandma I will miss you with all my heart. You are one of a kind, no one is as special as you are. you will never be forgotten. I love you so much, I hope you are more happy where you are now, and not sick anymore. I love u grandma and I will miss you always. You will always be talked about my children will know everything about you.

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“ Gram, I love you more than words can say. I will miss you more you would have ever known. You are the greatest. God Bless You.

March 01, 2004 at 12:00 AM



“ You are one very special and loved person. Your presence was know to be the kindness and sweeties person We have ever know. I surely will miss your smile and Banana Cream pie. You surely will be missed by so many people especially my daughter Lori Wheeler.

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“ i will love you forever and always i will miss you sooooooooooooo much great grandma

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