



## Marilyn J. Johnson

November 6, 1934 - September 8, 2012

Marilyn J. Pigula-Johnson November 6, 1934 - September 8, 2012 Marilyn Joyce Pigula-Johnson, 77, a life resident of The Valley in Syracuse, New York, and winter resident of Tampa, Florida, passed away Saturday, September 8, 2012 at the Crossings in Minoa, New York. Born November 6, 1934 in Syracuse, New York, she was the daughter of the late Fred and Elizabeth Duell. For over 20 years, she worked as a Customer Service Representative for Key Bank. She was a member of the American Legion Valley Post #1468 Ladies Auxiliary and the Friends of Websters Pond. Marilyn was a very talented artist, was crafty and enjoyed sewing and walking with her dog, Heidi. She is survived by a son, Jim Pigula of Charleston, South Carolina; two daughters, Janice (Paul) Hoag of Liverpool, New York, Joyce Goodman and Dave Rodabaugh of Liverpool, New York; a brother, Richard Duell of Syracuse, New York; two sisters, Beverly Kelley of California and Dorothy Horrocks of Florida; six grandchildren, Sarah and Ryan Pigula, Andrew and Austin Hoag and Stephanie and Joshua Goodman; and several nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her husband, Stanley W. Pigula in 1980; a brother, Fred Duell; and a sister, Shirley Hoxie. Marilyn lived her life through her children and grandchildren. Her loving ways has made a lasting impact on each of them, and has guided them through life. Her memory and spirit will live on forever through them. Funeral services and visitation will be held at the convenience of the family at Ballweg & Lunsford Funeral Home, Inc., 4612 S. Salina Street, Syracuse. New York 13205. Interment will follow in Onondaga

Valley Cemetery, 2500 Valley Drive, Syracuse, New York. In lieu of flowers, kindly consider the Alzheimers Association of CNY, 441 W. Kirkpatrick Street, Syracuse, NY 13204.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Ballweg & Lunsford Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Marilyn J. Johnson*



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**Ballweg & Lunsford Funeral Home** - September 08, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *Janice spoke often of Marilyn and she sounded like the mother everyone would be lucky to have. So sorry to hear of her passing; I know she was very loved and loved her family very much. My best to all.*

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September 12, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *Janice, Paul and the entire Johnson family -*

*May God give you strength during this difficult time. You are in our thoughts and prayers.*

*Denise & Tim Wisely*

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September 09, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *My mother was the greatest woman! She taught me so many things through the years. She was kind and giving and always had a way of making people around her laugh. My sister, brother and I all took turns taking care for her during these past several years. We tried to make her comfortable as best we could. I am at peace now knowing that she has joined my father in heaven. Her memory will live on forever in me! Love you Mom!!*

*Joyce*

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September 09, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *Janice, Joyce and Jim ...our thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time.*

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September 09, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *Marilyn and Stan were the best we had bunches of good times and lots of laughs. Gave the World three great kids kudos Marilyn, love ya Al*

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September 09, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ My sincere condolences to Marilyn's family. I remember Marilyn being a fixture at her daughter, Janice's, house when our children were young with her dog, Heidi, in tow. I remember Marilyn as intelligent, energetic person. I remembered what a conversationalist she was and how knowledgeable she was. Sometime she would come over to Janices to hang for a bit, often they would take off and go somewhere. Then things began to change. I remember Janice taking her mom to doctors to figure out what was happening, then came the diagnosis of ALZHEIMER'S (Louis Body Dementia), then more doctor visits to try to manage the symptoms and buy more time. I remember Janice going over to help her mother all hours of the day and night. Then came the time her children had to make the gut wrenching decision to put Marilyn in a 24 hour care facility. Janice/siblings were advocates for their mother and cared for her till the end. Marilyn was very blessed, and know she appreciated her children's loyalty and love for her. Alzheimers may have slowly, torturously stole away who Marilyn was in life, but now she is in heaven, and is whole again. Blessing and comfort to Marilyn's children, family and friends.

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September 08, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ I was blessed to have an Aunt with so much love and energy as my Aunt Marilyn. My family and my Aunt were in close proximity to each other in the Valley. Growing up w/ 4 brothers was overwhelming for me. I retreated to my Aunt's home for so much support. We talked, laughed, hung out tanning and her mashed potatoes were the best. My Aunt was my friend, mentor and made a huge impact in my life. Her family was loving and caring towards her, especially Janice who unselfishly cared for her while she was sick for 10 yrs. We need a cure for ALZHEIMERS.

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September 08, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *To Janice, Paul and the entire Johnson family.  
Please except our most sincere condolences on the passing of your  
Mom.  
With all our prayers,  
Kevin & Sandy Nicholas*

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September 08, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *My sincere sympathy to the family of Marilyn Johnson. She will be  
missed by all who knew her. She was one of a kind.*

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September 07, 2012 at 12:00 AM