



Catherine "Betty" Kelley

October 9, 1925 - March 22, 2017

Ms. Catherine E. "Betty" Kelley, 91, of Pittsfield, passed away peacefully after a brief illness at Mt. Carmel Care Center on Wednesday, March 22, 2017 surrounded by her loving family. Born on October 9, 1925, the daughter of Simon and Elizabeth O'Leary Pender, she was a 1943 graduate of St. Joseph High School.

Before raising her family, Betty worked in the Payroll Department at General Electric. She then worked for American Optical before retiring from Perferx Optical after 25 years of service.

Betty had a love for cooking and enjoyed crossword and word search puzzles. She was an avid Boston Red Sox fan and loved cheering her team on. Her greatest love, however, was spending time with her family, especially during the holidays; most of all, Christmas. Betty was a communicant of St. Agnes Church in Dalton.

Betty is survived by her loving children: Ronald F. Kelley (Patricia), Cheryl A. Meunier (Wayne), Pamela M. Soldato, and Thomas R. Kelley with whom she lived. She leaves behind her grandchildren: Jeffrey, Jennifer, Melanie, and Jonathan. She also leaves 10 great grandchildren: Anthony, Lexus, Brandon, Damien, Ian, Tony, Logan, Camden, Emmett, and Carson. Betty will be dearly missed by her brother-in-law, William J. Keegan, as well as several nieces and nephews.

Betty was predeceased by a daughter, Judith E. Kelley Kushi who passed away February 16, 2009, and a sister, Rosemary F. Keegan on July 11, 2011.

Funeral Notice:

Funeral services for Ms. Catherine E. Kelley will be Monday, March 27, 2017, at 9 a.m. from the Dwyer Funeral Home, 776 North St., Pittsfield MA with a Liturgy of Christian Burial at 10 a.m. at St. Agnes Church, Dalton, celebrated by Rev. Christopher Malatesta, pastor. Burial will follow in St. Joseph Cemetery. Calling hours at the funeral home will be Sunday, March 26, 2017 from 2 to 5 p.m. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to St. Agnes Church, care of the Dwyer Funeral Home, in her memory. DONATIONS CANNOT BE MADE ONLINE, but may be made through the Dwyer Funeral Home.

Cemetery Details

St. Joseph Cemetery

222 Peck's Rd.
Pittsfield, MA 01201

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 26. 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

Dwyer Family Funeral Home
776 North Street
Pittsfield, MA 01201
(413) 442-5094
info@dwyerfuneral.com
<https://www.dwyerfuneral.com/>

Service

MAR 27. 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Agnes Church
489 Main St.
Dalton, MA 01226

Tribute Wall

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“ Dear Family of Betty (Lady) Kelley,
Please accept my deepest condolences on the loss of the family's Matriarch. Speaking from experience, losing a parent is difficult. Enjoy the good memories you have of times you've spent with your Mom. I know there will be special moments that occur that will remind you of her and cause you to smile. I wish you strength in this difficult time. I will remember her sense of humor and her way of rationalizing things that amused many and especially me. Lady was a truly a genuine person who always demonstrated gratitude for the things people did for her and her family, even the little things. Like when she would call the house and I answered, she was grateful that her call didn't wake Cheryl and that she didn't have to talk to a machine (Leave a message.) I know she fought the good fight for the opportunity to live longer to enjoy her time with you all. Take some comfort in knowing that she no longer suffers. I remain in Fort Myers right now for medical reasons and regret not being there to attend her services and to personally comfort you.

Wayne Meunier - March 26, 2017 at 10:56 AM

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“ Lexus & Rebecca lit a candle in memory of Catherine "Betty" Kelley



Lexus & Rebecca - March 25, 2017 at 01:16 PM

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Forever In our hearts. Love Always: Lexus & Rebecca

Lexus - March 25, 2017 at 01:19 PM

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“ Anthony, Lexus, And Rebecca lit a candle in memory of Catherine "Betty" Kelley



Anthony, Lexus, and Rebecca - March 25, 2017 at 01:15 PM



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