



## Mrs. Margaret "Peggy" Messina

June 17, 1932 - February 7, 2020

Margaret Gultinan Messina passed into God's loving embrace on February 7, 2020. She was the loving wife of Michael Messina for 65 years, and the devoted mother of five children. Margaret was born on June 17, 1932 in Pittsfield to Matthew and Margaret Broderick Gultinan. She came of age during the depression and World War 2, and her perspective was shaped by a profound awareness of the fragility of life and a deep gratitude for her own good fortune. She graduated from Pittsfield High School in 1950 and worked for the New England Telephone Company before marrying, Mike, the love of her life, in 1954.

Peggy was happiest at home with her family. She loved to spend time sitting around the kitchen table chatting with her children. Peggy attended all of their sporting and school events, volunteering and reading her way through the Pittsfield public library. She loved to sing all the old standards, watch all the classic movies and musicals, and cook great Italian meals. For an Irish woman, she took great pride in her Italian culinary skills.

Peggy was blessed with 13 grandchildren and 6 great grandchildren. She was never happier than when she was watching any of them on the sports fields, theater or dance stages. She was a life-long communicant of St. Mark's church in Pittsfield.

Peggy is survived by her loving husband, Michael, and her five children: Daniel (Marie) and their children: Michael and Lauren; Catherine (Jack Quinn) and their children: Caitlin, Dempsey and Brodie; James (Amanda) and their

children: Jennifer, Matthew and Meagan; Margaret (Joe Larkin) and their children: Olivia, Maeve and Conor; and Stephen (Lisa) and their children: Mark and Cal. She is pre-deceased by her sister Anne.

Peggy will be dearly missed by her extended family, and the many people who cherished her friendship throughout the years.

Funeral Notice:

Funeral services for Mrs. Margaret Guiltinan Messina will be Wednesday, February 12, 2020 with a Liturgy of Christian Burial at 10 a.m. at St. Mark's Church celebrated by the Rev. Christopher Fedoryshyn. Entombment will follow at St. Joseph's Cemetery. Calling hours will be Tuesday, February 11, 2020 from 4 p.m. until 6 p.m. at the Dwyer Funeral Home. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to HospiceCare in the Berkshires in care of the Dwyer Funeral Home, 776 North Street, Pittsfield, MA 01201 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

FEB 11. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

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

## Service

FEB 12. 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Mark's Church  
400 West St.  
Pittsfield, MA 01201

# Tribute Wall



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Mrs. Margaret "Peggy" Messina.*



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February 11, 2020 at 02:28 PM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mrs. Margaret "Peggy" Messina.*



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February 11, 2020 at 09:04 AM



“ *Love and Blessings, Ed & Elizabeth Walsh purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Mrs. Margaret "Peggy" Messina.*



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**Love and Blessings, Ed & Elizabeth Walsh** - February 11, 2020 at 08:35 AM



“ 24 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Dwyer Funeral Home Inc. - February 10, 2020 at 05:42 PM



“ *Loving Lilies and Roses Bouquet* was purchased for the family of Mrs. Margaret "Peggy" Messina.



February 10, 2020 at 02:03 PM



“ *Beautiful Whisper* was purchased for the family of Mrs. Margaret "Peggy" Messina.



February 10, 2020 at 10:00 AM



“ *Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of Mrs. Margaret "Peggy" Messina.*



February 09, 2020 at 06:43 PM



“ - *the LADDER Family purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Mrs. Margaret "Peggy" Messina.*



- **the LADDER Family** - February 09, 2020 at 04:36 PM



“ *Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Mrs. Margaret "Peggy" Messina.*



February 09, 2020 at 03:58 PM

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“ Dear Mike,  
So sorry to read of Peggy's passing. To me she will always be the little older girl next door pushing me in the stroller. It was good to able to reconnect with you both a few years ago. My wife and I have relocated to South Carolina and are unable to py our respects in person

Sincerely  
Manfred "Manny" Schmaizl

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**Manny Schmaizl** - February 09, 2020 at 08:16 AM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Mrs. Margaret "Peggy" Messina.



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February 08, 2020 at 09:53 PM