



## Mrs. Velma C. Lefkowitz

April 19, 1927 - January 21, 2015

Mrs. Velma C. Lefkowitz, 87, formerly of 361 Dalton Ave., Pittsfield, MA passed away

Peacefully January 21, 2015, at St. Marks Hospital in Salt Lake City, Utah.

Born in Pittsfield, Apr. 19, 1927, the daughter of the late Luigi and Giusseppina

Barbaro Merletto, she attended local schools and was a 1945 graduate of Pittsfield High School.

Continuing her education, she received a degree in Early Childhood Education in 1976 from the

University of Massachusetts.

For 33 years Velma was a devoted teacher and director of the pre-school and day care

programs at the former Girl's Club and Girls, Inc.

In 2001 she relocated to Salt Lake City to be with her son, Michael and her

grandson Alex.

Velma thoroughly enjoyed spending time with her family and friends, being a Grandma,

dining with her Friday night dinner group, socializing with the Red Hat Society Ladies, and

had a special place in her heart for the employees and customers at Einstein's Coffee and

Bagel Shop. Velma was a kind, energetic, loving and generous woman and will be greatly

missed.

She and her husband of 50 years, the late Michael H. Lefkowitz were married on Nov. 24, 1949.

He died March 29, 2000.

She leaves her loving memories to be cherished by her daughter, Gale Lefkowitz and her

husband Hoyt Tarola, of Ojai, Ca., her two sons Michael Lefkowitz of Salt Lake City, Utah and

Mark Lefkowitz and his wife Katie of Pittsfield. She also leaves to mourn her passing her

beloved grandsons, Alex of Salt Lake City, and Mason of Pittsfield, along with

countless other

family and friends. Besides her husband and parents, she was predeceased by her siblings,

Arthur Merletto, Leila Bona and Rose Soldato.

## FUNERAL NOTICE

Mrs. Velma C. Lefkowitz died Wednesday January 21, 2015.

Funeral services will be Saturday Jan 31, 2015 at 8:00am from the DWYER  
FUNERAL HOME

with a Liturgy of Christian Burial at 9:00Am in Sacred Heart church, celebrated by Rev. Peter

Narango, Parochial Vicar. Burial will follow in St. Joseph Cemetery. Calling hours will be Friday

Jan. 30 from 4 to 6 at the funeral home. In lieu of flowers donations, in her

memory, may be made to the Gladys Allen Brigham Community Center care of the DWYER

FUNERAL HOME, 776 North St. Pittsfield, MA 01201

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 30. 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

JAN 31. 9:00 AM (ET)

Sacred Heart Church  
191 Elm St.  
Pittsfield, MA 01201

# Tribute Wall



“ *Ocean Breeze Spray* was purchased for the family of Mrs. Velma C. Lefkowitz.



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