



Mrs. Carolyn Eileen LaVenture Gervais

October 15, 1934 - July 2, 2020

Carolyn Eileen LaVenture Gervais of Malone, 85, passed away peacefully on July 2, 2020.

Carolyn was born to Joseph and Lucille LeRoux LaVenture on October 15, 1934. She was educated in the Ogdensburg Catholic Schools and graduated from St. Mary's Academy at the age of 16, having been selected to skip an elementary grade. She earned her Bachelor of Science degree in nursing from D'Youville College Buffalo in 1955. In 1959, she married Norman M. Gervais of Malone and they raised three children -- Julie, Amy, and Jeffrey. Norman predeceased her in 2011.

Together with her husband, Carolyn served the health care profession to its highest ideals for over thirty years. As a registered nurse, she was fiercely dedicated to unwavering excellence in patient care, and inspired the same dedication in the many nursing students she taught as an instructor at North Country Community College. Many of her students continue to serve Malone as nurses, and several took part in the care she received during a year of cancer treatment.

Carolyn defined unconditional love for her children, their spouses, and grandchildren. She is survived by her daughter Julie Gervais and husband Jim Welke; daughter Amy Tavernier and granddaughters Hadley & Maelys Tavernier; and son Jeffrey Gervais, wife Erin Gervais, and son Sam Gervais. Son-in-law Christopher Tavernier also preceded Carolyn in death.

Carolyn was beloved by all who knew her, and never happier than when she

was helping others in any way possible. She shared her radiant smile and positive attitude through all of life's challenges. She played a sharp game of duplicate bridge, and led the Malone Bridge Club for many years. She immensely enjoyed the beautiful Malone Golf Course in summers. She was a member of the American Legion Auxiliary, the Elks 1303, the Westville Ladies Auxiliary, and the Malone Altruists and leaves many, many devoted and loving friends in the area.

A funeral mass will be held on Tuesday, July 7 at 2 pm at Notre Dame Church in Malone, in accordance with Carolyn's lifelong Catholic faith. Those in attendance are asked to observe social distancing and use of facial coverings. Burial will take place at St. Joseph's Cemetery, Lake Titus Rd., Malone. Donations in her memory can be directed to American Cancer Society or the Alice Hyde Hospital Auxiliary.

Cemetery Details

St. Joseph's Cemetery

Lake Titus Road
Malone, NY

Previous Events

Mass of Christian Burial

JUL 7. 2:00 PM (ET)

Notre Dame Church
11 Church Place
Malone, NY 12953

Tribute Wall

ML

“ Julie, Amy and Jeff and families:

I am saddened to hear of your mom's passing. She was a very dear friend and I will miss her greatly. We had such fun golfing together. We were complimentary to one another. She played the short game well and could read the greens accurately.

My deepest condolences.

Margaret Lowell

Margaret A Lowell - July 13, 2020 at 12:13 PM

VL

“ *I would like to extend my sympathy to the family of Mrs Gervais . I personally had the privilege of being taught by her in 1980-1981 for nursing. Her professionalism and caring helped me become a better nurse. She was a sweet caring woman. Once again I am so sorry for your loss. Valerie Lester*

Valerie Lester - July 11, 2020 at 05:01 AM

JG

Thank you for your support and comments. She loved Nursing, and held her students to a high standard!

Peace. Jeff Gervais

Jeff Gervais - July 11, 2020 at 02:15 PM

LH

“ *My sympathy to all Carolyn's relatives and friends. I shall remember her guiding the bridge games with skill and kindness..Love from Linda Hagar*

Linda Hagar - July 07, 2020 at 10:29 AM

JG

*Thank you so much. She certainly took the game seriously! The Bridge Club was an important part of her life.
Peace. Jeff Gervais*

Jeff Gervais - July 11, 2020 at 02:13 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mrs. Carolyn Eileen LaVenture Gervais.*



July 05, 2020 at 09:02 PM