



Mrs. Diane Kathrine Lagree

November 1, 1942 - March 28, 2020

Diane Katherine Lagree, 77, of Churubusco passed away after a courageous battle with Melanoma Cancer on March 28, 2020 at CVPH with her family by her side. Diane was born on November 1, 1942, the daughter of the late Philip and Gertrude (Robinson) Ryan. She graduated from Chateaugay Central School and attended Our Lady of Victory Secretarial School. She was married to Lawrence Lagree on October 13, 1962 in St. Patrick's Church, Chateaugay by Rev. James Igo.

Diane was employed at JCEO for 34 years as the Town of Clinton Coordinator. She had a passion for helping people and was kind, generous, and loving to all who knew her especially "her" people in Churubusco. In 1986, she along with 8 other town citizens formed the Churubusco Senior Citizens Corporation. They bought the town schoolhouse and renovated it into 8 apartments for local seniors. In 1988, the group was awarded the Eleanor Roosevelt Award in Washington DC. She managed the Churubusco School House Apartments until her death. Diane had a love for history which she shared with her mentor and friend, Evelyn Watson. After Evelyn's death, she was named town Historian. She worked closely with Evelyn's daughter Geri Favreau on the Town of Clinton exhibit at the Clinton County Historical Association. On opening day, Diane was in her glory as residents of Busco, past and present enjoyed the exhibit and got to reunite with one another. Diane's faith was deep and she was a very active parishioner at the Immaculate Heart of Mary Church. She taught religious classes, was a

member of the Altar Rosary Society and was a coordinator of the cemetery. One of her favorite spring activities was putting flags on the Veteran's monuments and making sure the cemetery was ready with plants and such for Memorial Day.

Although she had a "strong dislike" for politics, she was the Republican Committee Chairman, a founding member of the Churubusco Firemen's Auxiliary (working endlessly at field days and dinners), and a member of the Home Bureau.

Diane is survived by her husband of 57 years, Lawrence Lagree; her greatest accomplishment, the "Lagree girls," her daughters, Debbie and Marshall Bushey Jr., Mary and Brian Rabideau, Lori and Richard Vachon and Melissa and Gary Peryea. Her presence will be missed by her grandchildren who were the light of her life. She never missed a game, recital, graduation, or anything special in their lives, Justin and Carrienne Bushey and their children, Jake, Brody, and Drew, Sarah and Katherine Bushey, Matthew and Lucas Rabideau, Brandon and Kyle Vachon, and Cody Peryea. She also leaves her brother, Gerald and Helen Ryan, and her sister, JoEllen Leclair and several nieces and nephews whom she loved dearly.

Meeting her at heaven's gate are her siblings, Jean Grimshaw, John Ryan, Gordon Ryan, and Eileen Godin along with her mother-in-law, Virginia Lagree. Due to the current health restrictions in place with COVID-19, services will be held at a later date.

Donations in her memory may be made to the Churubusco Fire Dept.

Tribute Wall

MC

“ So sorry for your loss.



Michelle Carr - April 04, 2020 at 08:29 AM



“ Sorry for your los. She and her love live on forever in your hearts.
Lisa Vanier

I - April 03, 2020 at 01:04 PM

KR

“ I remember the fun we had when working with Diane on the Town of Clinton's history book in 2010. Diane was a wealth of information of the history of Churubusco. We had such good times at those history meetings.

After the book was published we took a day in Lake Placid to celebrate and had lunch with the town blessing! What a great day we had. I will have such good memories of working with Diane on the history books creation and I will greatly miss seeing her at the Town Hall each morning. Her kind heart and warm smile will forever be in my heart. I will miss you "My Friend" but I know you will be watching over me in the mornings at the Town Hall!

Kathy Rego

Kathleen Rego - April 03, 2020 at 01:03 PM

DB

Love this Kathy!! It made me cry! Mom loved you!

Deborah Bushey - April 03, 2020 at 04:13 PM

SM

“ To Larry & family,
Our thoughts and prayers are sent with hope that you all find strength and peace of mind to help you through this difficult time. I know how fortunate I was to have had Diane’s friendship through our years at CCS-so many fun memories. Diane was always kind, encouraging and understanding throughout her life. She was loved and respected by all of us lucky enough to know her.

Sandy & Gary McCray

Sandy McCray - April 03, 2020 at 10:40 AM

TB

“ To Larry and Family,
We were deeply saddened to hear of Diane’s passing. To the Class of 1961 Chateaugay Central Diane was the glue that held us together over the years.
Always a smile and pleasant greeting or hug we will never forget our
“LITTLE RED BUSCO ANGEL”

With Deepest Sympathy,
Tony and Jean Bouchard

Tony Bouchard - April 02, 2020 at 03:04 PM

PP

“ So sorry to hear of Diane's passing. You are all in our prayers. Paul and Sue Parent

Paul Parent - April 02, 2020 at 07:32 AM

RD

“ Larry & Family, Sad to hear of Diane's passing. Please know that you are in thoughts and prayers.

Ron Decosse

Ron Decosse - April 02, 2020 at 05:01 AM

KT

“ I am so very sorry to hear of Diane's passing. She was a beautiful woman with such a kind heart and soul. She was always ready to lend a helping hand in whatever needed to be done. A truly amazing woman.

Karen Trombley

karen trombley - April 01, 2020 at 04:30 PM

GI

“ We are so sorry to hear about Diane's passing. She was such a kind and caring person and it was a pleasure to know her and live beside her for so many years. Our little town of Churubusco will miss her.

Gina, David, Ryan and Corey

Gina - March 31, 2020 at 09:56 PM

JI

“ My eyes filled with tears when I heard of your Mom's passing. Thinking of you all. Love, Puppy

Jimmy - March 31, 2020 at 06:59 PM

SN

“ *I am so sorry to hear about Diane passing. She was one of my best friends growing up and such a kind, sweet lady. My thoughts and prayers to all .*

Sharon Nemier - March 31, 2020 at 05:14 PM