



Mrs. Frances Eleanor Whalen

June 27, 1939 - February 6, 2017

Frances Eleanor Whalen (nee Blow), 77, passed away peacefully on Monday, February 6, 2017 at Alice Hyde Medical Center in Malone, New York.

She was born on June 27, 1939 in Malone, New York to Kenneth and Dorothea (Gillen) Blow. She attended and graduated from Chateaugay Central School in 1957.

On July 8, 1957, she was united in marriage to Walter Whalen at St. Patrick's Church in Chateaugay, New York.

Frances was a devout Catholic and communicant of St. Patrick's Church in Chateaugay and St. Jude's Church in Brainardsville until its closing. She was also a member of the Chateaugay Church Council.

She was proudly employed by the United States Post Office for 35 years. She was Post Master of the Chateaugay office from 1997 until her retirement.

She was an avid sports fan, swimmer, and lover of all things sweet. She adored her fat cat, Taz, who loved her just as much.

Frances will be reunited in heaven with her parents; brother Jim Clarke; beloved son Alan Whalen and grandson Stephen Whalen.

She is survived by her husband, Walter; two sons and three daughters, Wayne Whalen of Chateaugay, New York, Sherry Whalen of Nokomis, Florida, Mary Defayette of Knoxville, Tennessee, and Elizabeth Harrigan and Stephen Whalen of Brainardsville, New York.

She also leaves behind many grandchildren and a couple of great-grandchildren, Tyler Harrigan, Brent Harrigan, Scott Dickson, Zachary

Harrigan, Kristy Cymbrak, Danielle Smith, Alan Milford, Clay Defayette, Kaylee Whalen, Gavin Harrigan and Cohan Harrigan.

Besides her descendants, she left two sisters, a brother and a sister-in-law behind, Dorothy Dane of Annadale, Virginia, Mary LeMieux of Amsterdam, New York and Kenneth and Sheila Dwyer of Waterford, New York.

There are no calling hours. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at St. Patrick's Church in Chateaugay on Saturday, February 11, 2017 at 11 a.m. with Rev. Thomas Kornmeyer officiating.

Her burial will be May 20, 2017 at 11 a.m. at the Brainardsville Cemetery with a reception following at the Brainardsville Family Center (St. Jude's Church). In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in her memory to the Chateaugay Fire Department.

The family would like to thank all of the doctors, nurses and aides at Alice Hyde Medical Center for their tender care of our beloved Frances.

Cemetery Details

Brainardsville Cemetery

Brainardsville, NY

Previous Events

Service

FEB 11. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Patrick's Church
132 West Main Street
Chateaugay, NY 12920

Tribute Wall

PC

“ *Condolences sent for your loss. Prayers being sent. May she rest in peace.*

*Kristal, Nancy and Brad Fletcher
CONY Members
Pine Ridge Park Campsite*

Pine Ridge Park Campsite - February 12, 2017 at 02:43 PM

DK

“ *Got to know Fran through our kids growing up together ! They were all best friends. Prayers to all the family. Rest in peace Fran.*

Dick & Joyce King - February 10, 2017 at 11:05 AM

JM

“ *SHE WILL BE MISSED. WHEN I GO TO CAMP I WON'T BE ABLE TO CALL AND SAY I AM HERE YOU COMING OVER. SHE LOVED TO DANCE I HAVE A LOT OF PICTURES OF HER AND A VIDEO OF HER DANCING. SHE WAS A GREAT LADY AND I AM PROUD TO SAY I KNEW HER. SHE LOVED HER FAMILY, HER CAT AND KAYLEE WHO KEPT HER GOING. REST IN PEACE FRAN I WON'T FORGET YOU.*

joann mulverhill - February 10, 2017 at 07:50 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mrs. Frances Eleanor Whalen.*



February 08, 2017 at 06:49 PM

PL

“ I'm so sorry for your loss. You are all in our thoughts and prayers. Frances was always kind to me when we were growing up.
Penny & Scott Landry

Penny Landry - February 08, 2017 at 11:23 AM

DD

“ Dorothy, Sandy and Doug purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Mrs. Frances Eleanor Whalen.



Dorothy, Sandy and Doug - February 07, 2017 at 09:30 PM

BQ

“ Just wanted to say what a lovely lady Fran was. She was a joy to deal with at the post office all those years. She has a wonderful family who will lean on each other at this difficult time. She will certainly be missed. You are in our prayers.

Pat & Brenda Quinn

Brenda Quinn - February 07, 2017 at 12:47 PM

DJ

“ Our thoughts & prayers are with everyone during this difficult time!! Fran was the nicest lady and always so kind! She will be missed by many!!

Thinking of all of you.

Dick & Julie Jarvis



Dick & Julie - February 07, 2017 at 12:01 PM

JC

Sending sincere sympathy to Walt and his family. Always enjoyed having a visit with Fran at our annual reunion get-togethers. We will miss her. Janet and Junior Coryea

Janet Coryea - February 07, 2017 at 07:34 PM

TC

Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this difficult time. Fran made it a joy to go into the Post Office. Always a smile and ready to help. We missed her for a long time after she retired. Tom & Betty Cook

Tom Cook - February 14, 2017 at 11:59 AM