



Mrs. Nellie C. Cheyne

April 21, 1928 - October 30, 2020

Nellie C. Cheyne, 92, formerly of Brainardsville, NY, died Friday, October 30, 2020 at St. Vincent's Home, Quincy, IL. She was born on April 21, 1928 in Burke, NY, and was the daughter of Gordon Crawford, Sr. and Rhoda Gray Crawford.

She was married to Robert J. Cheyne on June 10, 1945 in Chateaugay, NY. He predeceased her on December 12, 2012.

Nellie was the grandest mother a family could have and ever imagine. Her work ethic was second to none and her goals were simple, but solid as a rock for decades. She wanted her children to experience the opportunity to succeed in life and she made sure those options were available to them. Her greatest joys in life were seeing her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren succeed in their lives.

Nellie was intimately involved in the day-to-day operation of a 300-acre, 80 head dairy farm. At the same time, she owned and operated the Cheyne Adult Home in the family home for 26 years, providing personal care for over 100 local area senior citizens. While living in Tennessee, she was employed at the Highland Nursing Home for 10 years and later worked at the Malone nursing home for 5 years. She was a member of the Brainardsville United Methodist Church, women of the church and a former member of Eastern Star.

She is survived by a daughter, Kitty Bessette and her husband, William of New Rochelle, NY; two sons, Wilroy Cheyne and his wife, Nancy of Gallatin, TN and Lt Col Barry Cheyne and his wife, Jeanne of Quincy, IL; a son-in-law,

Bruce Barnes, of Plano, TX; nine grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; a brother, Gordon Crawford Jr. and his wife, Betty of Willsboro, NY; many nieces and nephews.

Besides her husband, she was predeceased by her parents; a daughter, Bonnie Barnes; three sisters, Bea Wheeler, Beulah LaPage and Barbara Blair. The family would like to thank the care-workers and staff at St. Vincent's home and Blessing Hospital for their kind and caring compassion. Thank you for always having Mom's best interests.

A graveside service will be held on Saturday, November 7 at 1 p.m. in the Brainardsville Cemetery. In accordance with current health restrictions, those in attendance are asked to observe the use of face coverings and social distancing.

Memorial services will be held next summer for Nellie and her daughter Bonnie Barnes.

Cemetery Details

Brainardsville Cemetery

Brainardsville, NY

Previous Events

Graveside service

NOV 7. 1:00 PM (ET)

Brainardsville Cemetery
Brainardsville, NY

Tribute Wall

HL

“ *Nellie was the nicest women,I always enjoy seeing her. The family was so lucky to have had her.Enjoy your memories and hold them near. She will be missed.*

Heidi Leahy - November 04, 2020 at 03:50 PM

CL

“ *To Kitty, Wilton, Barry and families:
Your kind, sweet, and loving Mom will always be remembered as a
“special” lady! You are in my thoughts and prayers.
Christine Walfield LaDuke*

Christine LaDuke - November 04, 2020 at 12:31 PM

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“ *We will never forget that perpetual smile. Our families were close and we will remember the good times had by all. Our thoughts and prayers go out to Kitty, Wil, Barry, and families.*

Sue (Leach) and Ed Plasberg

Sue (Leach) and Ed Plasberg - November 03, 2020 at 12:06 PM

JP

“ *Wilroy and family, I am so sorry for your loss. Your mom was a grand lady loved by all. Hope your wonderful memories will help you through this sad time.*

Joanne (LaPlant) Pickert

Joanne E Pickert - November 03, 2020 at 11:08 AM

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“ *What a wonderful person Nellie was...almost like a second mother to me for many years of my youth as our families did so much together. May she rest in peace. Lots of thoughts, prayers and hugs going to Kitty, Wil, Barry and their families.*

Cindy McCormick - November 02, 2020 at 04:20 PM