



Mrs. Betty-Lou Isaf

November 20, 1928 - November 6, 2024

Mrs. Betty-Lou Isaf, 95, of Cortland, passed away on Nov 6, 2024 after a brief illness. Born Nov 20, 1928 in Saint Paul, Minnesota, Betty-Lou was the daughter of Glenn and Olive Carpenter Mallory.

Betty-Lou received her bachelor's degree in business administration and retired after many years of service as an executive assistant at S.U.N.Y. Cortland Library. Prior to her work at Cortland State, she co-owned and worked alongside her husband, Asad Isaf at Isaf Photography Studio and Art Supply business in Cortland.

Involved in several community and church organizations, Betty-Lou received recognition for her hundreds of hours of volunteer work at St. Mary's Church and School, which included working in the church office. She also received recognition for her volunteer work at Cortland Memorial Hospital. She was a member of St. Mary's Choir and recently received recognition for her 65-year membership with Catholic Daughters of The America's Court #919, Cortland.

She is survived by her three children; Doreen (Thomas Franz) Quinn of La Fayette, N.Y.; Paul (Lee) Isaf of Dunnellon, FL and Carol (Dana) Merkur of Cortland, NY, grandchildren; Patrick (Lindsay) Batsford, Lance (Allison) Merkur, Samantha (Robert - "JJ") Brown, Kristin Quinn and great grandchildren; Morgan and Gavin Brown and Jocelyn and Greyson Merkur. In

addition to her parents, Betty Lou was preceded in death by her husband, Asad Isaf, her brother William Mallory and a grandson Shaun Quinn.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Saturday January 25, 2025, at 10:00 a.m. in St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church. The Christian Rite of Committal will follow in St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery. The family will be present to receive friends on Friday January 24, 2025, from 5-6 p.m. in the Chapel of Riccardi Funeral Home, Cortland, N.Y.

Condolences may also be sent to the family by visiting,
www.riccardifuneralhome.com

Previous Events

A Mass of Christian Burial

JAN **25**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

St Mary's Roman Catholic Church
46 N Main St
Courtland, NY 13045

Tribute Wall

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“ I am so VERY sorry for the loss of your Mom, Betty Lou! It is so hard when we lose a parent! I enjoyed going to Walden place when I was in Cortland to have coffee and sometimes breakfast with my Mom, your Mom, and the other ladies at their table! We had such good conversation! I also have fond memories growing up of your Dad, Asad Isaf, and the wonderful sense of humor and laugh that he had! Your parent’s were such good friends through the years of my parent’s Joan and Bill Vrooman! Their whole group of friends were wonderful and they had such good times traveling together! Such wonderful memories!

Kathleen E. Ames-Brooker - January 27, 2025 at 10:30 AM

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“ I am so sorry for the loss of your mom. Betty Lou was a wonderful friend for many, many years to my mom, Joan Vrooman. Your family is in my thoughts and prayers.

Susan Ames Rehbein - January 27, 2025 at 06:43 AM

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“ A nice lady who served her community, her church, and her family with distinction....May the good Lord hold her in the palm of his hand, and may she RIP!!!! 🙏👼🕊️

Mike Dexter - January 24, 2025 at 02:55 PM