



Mrs. Claudette O'Rourke

January 11, 1939 - February 18, 2020

Mrs. Claudette O'Rourke, 81, of Charleston, S. Carolina and formerly Cortland, passed away February 18, 2020 in Charleston. Born January 11, 1939 in Pittston, Pennsylvania, Claudette was the daughter of Claude John and Mary Alice Martin Berger.

Claudette was a Registered Nurse and was employed in geriatric nursing for many years including employment with Cortland Memorial Hospital. She was preceded in death by her husband and Cortland native, Dr. Thomas O'Rourke in 2002.

She is survived by her daughter; Susan J.(David) McWatters of Charleston, S. Carolina and two sons; Thomas J. (Stephanie) O'Rourke of Shaker Heights, Ohio and David (Kimberly) O'Rourke of Victor, N.Y., five grandchildren and one great grandchild; also surviving Claudette are her sister Mary Joyce Kelly-Elsbury, her sister in laws; Carol O'Rourke and Helen Spaulding and brother in laws; Gerald (Pat) O'Rourke, and Danny Camillo, all of Cortland. Claudette was also preceded in death by brother; Fred Berger, sister in laws; Mary McDonald and Margaret Camillo, and brother in law Donal Spaulding.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Saturday at 10:30 a.m. in St. Mary's Catholic Church, prayers of committal will follow in St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery. The family will be present to receive friends on Friday from 6-8 p.m.

in the Chapel of Riccardi Funeral Home 69 N. Main St. Cortland, N.Y. 13045

Condolences may also be sent to the family by visiting www.riccardifuneralhome.com. The family requests in lieu of flowers, a donation be made to The Alzheimers Association www.alz.org/donate.

Cemetery Details

St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery

4101 West Rd
Cortland, NY 13045

Previous Events

A Mass of Christian Burial

FEB **29**. 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM (ET)

St. Mary's Church
Cortland, NY 13045

Tribute Wall



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Mrs. Claudette O'Rourke.*



February 28, 2020 at 08:10 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Mrs. Claudette O'Rourke.*



February 27, 2020 at 02:26 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mrs. Claudette O'Rourke.*



February 27, 2020 at 08:06 AM



“ *Staff and Board of Directors of PCC purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Mrs. Claudette O'Rourke.*



Staff and Board of Directors of PCC - February 25, 2020 at 09:50 AM



“ *Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mrs. Claudette O'Rourke.*



February 25, 2020 at 06:18 AM



“ *Bradley Childs lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Claudette O'Rourke*



Bradley Childs - February 25, 2020 at 05:22 AM



“ *Claudette loved her family and life. I will always remember how caring she was when I observed her working diligently as a nursing expert to improve training and care at many Nursing Homes in and around Savannah, GA. She worked tirelessly to help the sick and aging residents. Concurrently she shared her nursing acumen to show how caregivers could improve and maintain procedures and standards.*

Claudette found joy when she brought happiness to others. She now enjoys true and full joy in God's Kingdom.

Gerald O'Rourke - February 24, 2020 at 03:34 PM

SJ

“ *Sandy Jeffcott lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Claudette O'Rourke*



Sandy Jeffcott - February 23, 2020 at 03:46 PM

JF

You have our condolences and prayer of comfort for the lost of your Love one.

Joan Flemings and family - February 23, 2020 at 08:41 PM

TL

Tom, Dave, Suzi and Family. May God bless you and shower you with love and strength during this difficult time.

Timothy D. Loyd - February 24, 2020 at 04:02 PM

SD

Suzy and family, Blessings and comfort to you and your family. Your mom was a strong and loving person. Bill and I send our love to you and yours.

Sue and Bill Delling

Susan Delling - February 28, 2020 at 05:24 PM

CL

“ *My love and prayers to you Susan, and all the family. Claudette was the backbone of your family, and I know that your strength as a woman came from her example! One memory that quickly came to mind was at your wedding when David hoisted your mom on his shoulders...a surprising and wonderful tribute to the woman who carried everyone on her shoulders!*

I will have a mass said for Claudette, and will remember her in my prayers today.

Love to all....Connie

Connie Lewski - February 23, 2020 at 12:32 PM