



Mrs. Geraldine H. Barrows

April 7, 1934 - January 21, 2020

Mrs. Geraldine H. Barrows, 85, passed away on Tuesday January 21, 2020 at Cortland Park Rehabilitation and Nursing Center, surrounded by her family. A lifelong resident of the Cortland area, Gerry was born April 7, 1934 in Cortland, the daughter of Samuel P. Heller, Jr. and Wilhelmina VanDonsel Heller. She was a graduate of St. Mary's High School and a communicant of St. Mary's Catholic Church.

Gerry was formerly employed by Wilson Sporting Goods and Huskytown and was a self employed commercial and fine artist. She, along with her late husband, LeRoy operated an in-home detention home for numerous years. She enjoyed spending time with her friends at the Cortland Senior Center, bowling and golfing.

Survivors include: two sons; Ronald L. Barrows of Syracuse and Mark C. Barrows of Cincinnati, two daughters; Donna Pilato of Chicago and Sharon (Chris) Barrows Cooper of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma., a brother in law; Roger (Marion) Barrows and two sister in laws; Dolores Heller and Joyce Barrows, 5 grandchildren, 6 great grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents, Gerry was preceded in death by her husband; LeRoy in 2011 and her brother; S. Peter Heller. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Monday at 10:30 a.m. in St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church.

Prayers of committal will follow in St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery. The family will be present to receive friends on Sunday from 2-5 p.m. in the Chapel of Riccardi Funeral Home 69 N. Main St. Cortland, N.Y. Condolences may be sent to the family by visiting www.riccardifuneralhome.com

Contributions in lieu of flowers may be made to St. Mary's Parochial School 61 N. Main Street, Cortland, N.Y. 13045

Cemetery Details

St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery

4101 West Rd
Cortland, NY 13045

Previous Events

A Mass of Christian Burial

JAN 27. 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM (ET)

St. Mary's Church
Cortland, NY 13045

Tribute Wall

DF

“ *Fond memories of the family. I was one of the boys in the detention home. RIP Dutch Fox*

Dutch Fox - March 05, 2023 at 08:15 AM

RJ

“ *RogerBarrows Jr lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Geraldine H. Barrows*



RogerBarrows jr - January 30, 2020 at 09:52 PM

NR

“ *Dear Sharon and Chris,*

So sorry for your loss....and even though you lived a long way from your mother, I know you spoke to her often, and traveled to see her often.

Sharon, I love your tribute to your Mother, and I see how your upbringing has helped you become the great, loving, and christian person you are.

You have been wonderful, thoughtful neighbors to me.

*Love and prayers,
Nancy Redding*

Nancy Redding - January 28, 2020 at 10:05 AM

SC

“ Dear Mom ~ How fitting I should tell you this again here. Thank you so much for the gift of Faith. I remember the very day you were explaining to my little self about the concept of "God". I remember you telling me He is Everywhere. I remember asking all those questions like, "Is He there on that table?" Yes, He's there on that table. "Is He there on that bench?" Yes, He's there on that bench. "Is He up there in all those clouds?" Yes, He's up there in all those clouds. He really is everywhere; all you have to do is call, pray, talk to or even think of Him. This is my most precious memory of you, coupled with the unconditional Love you have given me my entire life. Faith and Love. Thank you for being the very best Mom I could have ever hoped to have. I didn't deserve your Greatness, but I will always have the best example to follow in all that you are. Rest Dear Sweet Mom; you deserve great rest. I love you.



Sharon Cooper - January 26, 2020 at 10:41 AM

DF

Fond memories of your family. I was in the detention home. Dutch Fox

Dutch Fox - March 05, 2023 at 08:18 AM

LW

“ To you and your family Sharon
Really sorry for the loss of your mom.
May she Rest In Peace 🙏



Leonard Warren - January 25, 2020 at 06:07 AM

CB

“ *Ronnie, Mark, Donna and Sharon,*

I am sorry to learn of Gerry's passing thoughts and prayers to all of you and your families. I always enjoyed coming to the house for visits growing up. May she be at peace now.

Love to all

Chrissy

Chris Barrows-MacBlane - January 24, 2020 at 05:47 PM

CB

“ *Chris Barrows-MacBlane lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Geraldine H. Barrows*



Chris Barrows-MacBlane - January 24, 2020 at 05:43 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mrs. Geraldine H. Barrows.*



January 24, 2020 at 01:12 PM

MB

“ *Mary Betters lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Geraldine H. Barrows*



Mary Betters - January 24, 2020 at 12:57 PM

MB

I am so sorry that I did not get to meet your Mother. I lost my husband George W Barrows on September 16, 2019 and would like to get to meet your family to see how the ancestry is connected. Miriam Barrows, 315-662-7037

Miriam Barrows - January 28, 2020 at 01:44 AM

RP

“ *Very sorry Sharon and family !!*

Rick Partigianoni - January 24, 2020 at 12:32 PM

RJ

“ *Roger Barrows Jr lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Geraldine H. Barrows*



Roger Barrows jr - January 23, 2020 at 08:17 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Mrs. Geraldine H. Barrows.*



January 23, 2020 at 04:20 PM



“ *Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mrs. Geraldine H. Barrows.*



January 23, 2020 at 12:07 PM