



## Mrs. Joan F. Recchia

October 1, 1932 - October 16, 2019

Mrs. Joan F. Recchia of Cortland passed away on Wednesday October 16, 2019 at Guthrie Regional Nursing Facility at the age of 87. Born October 1, 1932 in Binghamton, Joan was the daughter of Edward R. and Marion Egan Keough.

Joan was a communicant of St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church. She had suffered most of her life with serious mental illness, but she did her best to raise her children and raise them in the faith, which was very important to her. Joan was very pro life and gave to many pro life organizations. Additionally, she loved tea and Irish music.

Survivors include, seven sons; Kevin of Florida, John of Cortland, Raymond of Syracuse, Richard of Ithaca and Charles of Massachusetts, Paul (Lisa) Keough of Illinois, Thomas (Emily) of Ohio, six daughters; Theresa (David) Foster of Homer, Marion Recchia of Cortland, Rosemaria Recchia of Buffalo, Cecilia (Bacem) Georges of Massachusetts, Yvonne Recchia of Oregon and Julie (Brent) Larson of S. Carolina., a brother; Richard Keough of Syracuse and a sister; Eileen Barrett of Rochester, 22 grandchildren; Kate, Steve, Alexandra, Nicolette, Christine, Brittany, Michael, Lois, Nathan, Isabelle, Tomoki, Cullem, Benen, Ava, Tobas, Elisha, Claudia, Luke, Chloe, Natalie, Kathryn and Madelyn and 3 great grandchildren; Gerrit, Anthony, and Celeste.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Monday at 11 a.m. in St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church with Rev. Joseph Zareski officiating. Prayers of committal will follow in St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery. The family will be present to receive friends on Sunday from 1-2 p.m. in the Chapel of Riccardi Funeral Home 69 N. Main St. Cortland, N.Y. Contributions in Joan's memory may be made to Priests for Life P.O. Box 236695 Cocoa, Florida 32923. Condolences may also be sent to the family by visiting [www.riccardifuneralhome.com](http://www.riccardifuneralhome.com)

# Cemetery Details

## St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery

4101 West Rd  
Cortland, NY 13045

# Previous Events

## A Mass of Christian Burial

OCT **21**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

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

# Tribute Wall

JC

“ *Theresa and Marion,*

*My sympathies to you and your siblings and extended family on the passing of your mother. I only had the opportunity to talk to her a few times, but realized she was a special person. She passed on to her children reverence for God, and respect for life. You can be assured she is in heaven waiting for you to join her.*

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**Jim Canale** - October 25, 2019 at 08:35 PM

TH

*Thank you so much Jim.*

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**Theresa** - November 22, 2019 at 04:45 PM

JM

“ *Please know you are in my thoughts and prayers. So sad to hear about your mother's passing. I, too, remember the days when we were young and played in Blodgett Mills. We always ended up in the Recchia back yard. She was a beautiful, kind lady who always had a kind word for everyone. May she rest in peace.*

*Jackie (Boyce) Maxson*

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**Jackie (Boyce) Maxson** - October 21, 2019 at 10:00 AM

TH

*Thank you Jackie*

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**Theresa** - November 22, 2019 at 04:45 PM



“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



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**Charlie Recchia** - October 21, 2019 at 09:29 AM

KM

*So sorry Theresa and family. Thought often of your mom, especially every year when I go to the March for life. Your mom was the first to teach me about abortions when I was in seventh grade and I never forgot. I think of you often and Theresa hope you're doing OK - know this holiday season must've been tough for everyone. Thinking of you all*

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**Kathleen McDonald-Dabney** - January 02, 2020 at 10:35 PM

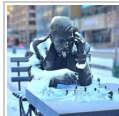
JW

“ Hello Recchia Family,

*Reading your mother's obituary brought back many memories of the most creative and engaging family I had the pleasure of teaching at McGraw. You were great kids (and surely still are), which is undoubtedly a testament to your mother's dedication to nurturing her children.*

*Jim Weiss (AKA Mr. Weiss)*

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**Jim Weiss** - October 20, 2019 at 05:59 PM



*thank you Mr Weiss*

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**Charlie Recchia** - October 21, 2019 at 09:28 AM

SS

“ Through Joan's daughter Rosemaria I have learned what a faith-filled loving and devoted mother she was. My prayers are with Rosemaria and her entire family through this difficult time. May she receive Our Lord's loving and bountiful reward for her labors and may her soul rest in peace. -Sally Shumaker

Sally Shumaker - October 20, 2019 at 04:48 PM

MN

“ My thoughts and prayers are with all of you at this difficult time. I remember your mom fondly from St. Joseph's as far back as my memories go, she was always sweet to me.  
Monica (Gilbert) Novello

Monica Novello - October 19, 2019 at 10:55 PM

TH

Thank you Monica 🙏

Theresa - October 20, 2019 at 07:46 AM

RR

Thank you so much! I was sad to hear of your dad's passing some time ago and prayed for him and all of you. Sorry I didn't reach out. I'm not good at these techy things! I live in Buffalo, NY now.

Rosemaria Recchia - October 23, 2019 at 01:59 PM

Jl

“ 2C.



Jill - October 19, 2019 at 06:30 PM

TH

Thank you, 🙏

Theresa - October 20, 2019 at 07:47 AM

TH

Hi Jill  
Were you one of mom's nurses

Theresa - October 23, 2019 at 01:57 PM

RP

“ Ron and Peggy Pisani purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mrs. Joan F. Recchia.



Ron and Peggy Pisani - October 19, 2019 at 02:34 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mrs. Joan F. Recchia.



October 19, 2019 at 12:11 PM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Mrs. Joan F. Recchia.



October 19, 2019 at 10:15 AM

KP

“ Mrs Joan Recchia was loved by all the town kids. She was so sweet and kind and loved going to her house because they always had Kool aid. That's where we went after playing hard outside. She always had a smile on her face. May you be at peace now.

Karen Poole - October 18, 2019 at 09:26 PM



So true and sweet. Thank you Karen.

Yvonne Recchia - October 19, 2019 at 09:58 AM

RP

I am saddened by your loss. Aunt Joan was a wonderful mother to all of you. My memories of Aunt Joan go back to my teenage years. Uncle Vic made sure I was among the first to know when they had become engaged.

Ron Pisani - October 19, 2019 at 02:00 PM

BD

Thanks to whoever put up that picture of Joan when she was young. My heart goes out to John and his family during their time of sorrow.

Bob Densmore - October 19, 2019 at 02:27 PM

TH

Bob thank you. We all love that picture 🥰.

Theresa - October 20, 2019 at 07:50 AM

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Karen the memory of Kool aid made me laugh.

Theresa - October 20, 2019 at 07:51 AM

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Ron that's a great memory of my parent's engagement. I never knew that 🤔

Theresa - October 20, 2019 at 07:51 AM

RR

*I echo Yvonne and Theresa's comments and thank you all for reaching out to us.*

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**Rosemaria Recchia** - October 23, 2019 at 02:01 PM

SW

“ *I am so sorry for the loss of your mom. She did well in creating such a wonderful family. I hope you all find comfort, and support with each other.*



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**Sara Wivell** - October 18, 2019 at 08:04 PM

RR

*Thanks, Sara!*

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**Rich Recchia** - October 19, 2019 at 10:06 AM

PE

“ *I am so sorry for the loss of your mother.*

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**Patricia Egan** - October 18, 2019 at 04:02 PM