



## Mrs. Josephine V. Robbins

September 27, 1923 - May 29, 2013

Josephine Robbins, 89, of 9 Hyatt St., Cortland, passed away, on Wednesday, May 29, 2013 after a long battle with Parkinson's disease.

Jo was a lifelong resident of Cortland, She was born and raised, married and nurtured her family and grew old with her husband Ben, in the same house on Hyatt St. where she grew up with her two brothers, a rarity in this day and age. Jo was a devoted member of St. Anthony's Church where she was baptized, married and raised her girls in the Catholic faith.

She was an avid reader, bowler and loved to travel, even traveling to Italy at the age of 75, but her favorite place to be was at the family camp on Bradley Brook. While raising her three daughters, she was a stay at home Mom as well as helping her husband own and operate the local Pepsi-Cola franchise in Cortland and the surrounding areas for 18 years. After selling the business she then worked at Crescent Corset as a secretary until her retirement.

Jo is survived by her loving husband of 69 years, Ben, her daughters, Cheryl (Peter) Contento, Judi (Tom) Wilkins and Kathy (Gerald) Coggi all of Cortland, her grandchildren, Paul (Liz) Contento and Carrie Contento (Brendan Rew), Ty (Melissa) and Becky (Aaron) Sprouse and Nicole Coggi (Eric Rodriguez) and Michael and Dustin Coggi, two great grandchildren, Benjamin and Ella Sprouse and her brother, James (Ursula) DiRosa of Cortland, sister in laws, Pauline and Margaret Robbins and cousin, Rose DeCenzo and several nieces

and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents, Felice and Teresa DiRosa, brother, Albert and grandson, Anthony Contento.

The family would like to thank Connie Potter and Sally White for the wonderful care that they gave their mother as well as to Cortland Park Rehabilitation and Nursing Center where she spent the last several months.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Saturday at 10 a.m. in St. Anthony of Padua Roman Catholic Church. Prayers of committal will follow in St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery. The family will be present to receive friends on Friday from 4-7 p.m. in the Chapel of Riccardi Funeral Home 69 N. Main St., Cortland, N.Y. Contributions may be sent to St. Anthony's Church 59 N. Main St., Cortland, N.Y. 13045 or National Parkinson Foundation Gift Processing Center P.O. Box 5018; Hagerstown, Maryland 21741-5018

The memory of a good person is a blessing-Proverb 10:7

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“ *Mr. Robbins & Family,*

*We are very very sorry about your great loss.*

*Josephine was such a nice lady & that big smile!*

*Our thoughts & prayers are with you at this extremely difficult time.*

*God Bless,  
Armando & Livia Natale  
& Family*

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**Natale Family** - May 18, 2018 at 11:19 AM

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“ *Dear Ben & family,*

*Just learned of Jo's passing through the internet. I will miss seeing her during holiday time. We have been friends for many years and always enjoyed the many conversation we had. Together, we had many*

*"private" laughs. Please accept our heartfelt condolences and know that our thoughts and prayers are with you during this sad time.*

*Yes---"The memory of a good*

*person is a blessing". Sorry we could not be with you as we are in Italy. Try to visit when we get back. May JO be at peace with the angels.*

*Blessings and warmest regards*

*Jo & Gene Mironti*

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**Jo & Gene Mironti** - May 18, 2018 at 11:19 AM