



## Mrs. Teresa Morris

June 26, 1927 - January 12, 2017

Teresa (Terry) Morris, 89, passed away at her home on January 12, 2017. Mrs. Morris was predeceased by her husband John, after 48 years of marriage. Teresa was the daughter of Frank and Mae (Foley) Hastings of Kirkwood NY. She was the youngest of five: Ed, Joe, Bob and Mary Hastings, and mother to seven: John, Frank (Tyke), Robert (Julie), Maureen, Margaret (Jim Hively), Tom and Karen (David Rousche). Teresa has 4 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren, all of whom kept her young-at-heart.

Teresa was valedictorian at Alice Freeman Palmer Central School, graduating from Syracuse University with a BA in both math and French, receiving a science honorary and a masters in Supervision of Secondary Mathematics. This well prepared her as a skilled educator for 42 years at Cincinnatus Central School, Mexico Academy, Cortland High School, and substitute teaching at many Cortland County schools (while raising 7 children), before retiring from Marathon High School. Mrs. Morris was active in her community and her church as a member of a number of social and civic committees, teacher of CCD, lector, both at St. Josephs in McGraw NY and at St Mary's in Cortland, serving as a member of the Catholic Daughters of Americas Court #919 for more than 60 years.

An avid traveler and completely intrigued by electronics, Terry loved texting with her family, even showing the younger generation how to text "no handed". She brought her travels home to her family and her students thrilled with the cultures and places she experienced. She was a creative and brilliant wife and mother who will be greatly missed.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Saturday at 10 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 Friday from 5-7 p.m. in the Chapel of Riccardi Funeral Home 69 N. Main St. Cortland, N.Y. 13045

Contributions in Teresa's memory may be made to Catholic Daughters of The Americas Court #919 Cortland, c/o Cathy Niehus, Treasurer 2 Brentwood Dr. Homer, N.Y. 13077.

Condolences may also be sent by visiting [www.riccardifuneralhome.com](http://www.riccardifuneralhome.com)



# Tribute Wall

JS

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with the Morris Family at this most difficult time.  
Sincerely, The Shanahan Family, Geneseo, NY*

Joe Shanahan - May 18, 2018 at 10:52 AM

ML

“ *We send our sympathies to the family. Terry was a nice, kind, feisty, independent lady. We enjoyed our time with her at Myrtle Beach. She loved to celebrate St Patrick's day. We miss her.*

Marianne & Ed Learman - May 18, 2018 at 10:52 AM



“ *<https://www.facebook.com/lisa.singleton.1441/posts/10211663592730406>We were happy to meet Terry and enjoy good times with her. We were happy to help her with trips to doctor appointments and trips to the airport. She liked to take us out to lunch and was a gracious hostess. Betty and Bart Smith. Friends from Myrtle Beach.*

May 18, 2018 at 10:52 AM

PP

“ *Bob and I are sorry for your loss. She was a kind person and she will be missed. We were sad when she sold her house and moved away.*

paula pickert - May 18, 2018 at 10:52 AM

CS

“ *Dear family of Teresa: Your Mom and my Mom, Lois Sherwood, were good friends since childhood. When my Mom passed away in 2010, Teresa was there for her at the end. Since that time, my sisters and I got together with here a few times for lunch when she was in the Cortland area. Always enjoyable seeing her. I was glad I was able to talk with her on the phone just after Christmas this year and heard about all she had been going through health-wise. She was a real trooper! I feel she was a last link with my Mom. My sincere sympathy to you all.*

Carol Sherwood - May 18, 2018 at 10:52 AM

VG

“ *My condolences to the family*

Veronica Glazier - May 18, 2018 at 10:52 AM

KH

“ If there is a Knights of Columbus up in the sky, Terry and John are there with my parents, Harry & Frances Hudson, enjoying each other as great friends they always were....such wonderful times, and I remember Terry and John so vividly from then. My sincere sympathies to all the Morris children with the loss of such a wonderful lady. Kate Hudson.

Kate Hudson - May 18, 2018 at 10:52 AM

SB

“ I always enjoyed working with Terry at Marathon. She was very creative in the concepts she wanted her students to gain and retain. I miss her laughter and smile. God Bless on your travel.

Sandy Brown - May 18, 2018 at 10:52 AM

KJ

“ I was very very sorry to hear of Terry's passing. Terry was a very close friend of our family. I enjoyed the talks we used to have and just spending time with her. I am so sorry I missed services. Keeping all of you in my thoughts and prayers.

Karen Jones - May 18, 2018 at 10:52 AM

PM

“ One of my daughters was able to find Terry's obituary for me this evening. Terry and I met at Syracuse University . She introduced me to the St. Thomas More gathering for Catholic students which opened a wonderful world for me. Terry was in my wedding in 1950 . Wish we had kept in better contact. She and John came to George and my 50th wedding Anniversary in Jamesville, NY in June 2000 I cherish the lovely white candle they gave us. They also visited us in Lady Lake, Florida. My sympathy and prayers to all of her family.

Peg Might - May 18, 2018 at 10:52 AM