



Mary Lou (Polance) Rizza

April 18, 1938 - December 31, 2024

Mary Lou (Polance) Rizza, 86, of New Britain, went home peacefully to be with her Lord and Savior Tuesday (December 31, 2024) at the Hebrew Home in West Hartford. Special thanks to all the staff for their care and kind words. Born in New Britain, she was a graduate of New Britain High School, class of 1957. Mary Lou worked for over 30 years at Black & Decker and later as a bookkeeper at Ron's Automotive in Berlin until her retirement in 2019. Mary Lou was a member of the Farmington Avenue Baptist Church in West Hartford.

Surviving are two daughters, Junia Rizza Abramczyk of New Britain and Elizabeth Tamayo and her husband Rafael of Whitinsville, MA; four grandchildren, Melissa Landrie and Nicole Fournier of Phoenix, AZ, Caleb Fournier of Whitinsville, MA and Korileigh Fuentes and her husband David of Newington; four great grandchildren, Alayna and Jaydon Fuentes, Caylea and Aja Landrie; three great great grandchildren, Kenzo, Phoenix and Rio; several nieces and nephews; a brother, Kenneth Polance and his wife Beverly of New Britain; a sister, Judith Berarducci of Port St. Lucie; Florida. Mary Lou was predeceased by a great grandson, Christian Abramczyk a brother, William "Billy" Polance Jr. and lifelong friend Reuben Rizza.

Funeral Service are private. There are no calling hours. Burial will in Rose Hill Memorial Park, Rocky Hill. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Tunnel to Towers (T2T.org). Carlson Funeral Home, New Britain, is assisting the family with arrangements. Please share a memory or note of

sympathy at www.carlsonfuneralhome.com

Cemetery Details

Rose Hill Memorial Park

Rocky Hill, CT

Tribute Wall

JA

“ I will miss my Mom, she took a big piece of my heart with her.

Junia Abramczyk - January 07, 2025 at 09:37 PM

JB

“ A funny story I must share. Mary Lou visited me in Florida and we went to the grocery store. As we got into my car, the car next to us was also backing out at the same time. I did not want to get into an accident, so Mary Lou, who was sitting in the front passenger seat, I said this to her very hastily. "Give them the finger" !! She turned around, looked at me, in disbelief of what I just told her to do. I realized that she did not understand what I meant, so I said, no, Mary Lou, give them the "WAIT" finger. We backed out and laughed all the way home. I will miss my big and only sister. She will always be remembered as a child of God.

judy berarducci - January 04, 2025 at 02:27 PM

JA

“ Mary Lou was like a big sister to me. We spent so many Friday nights together. This was our Friday night date night. Love and hugs to the family.

Jan - January 03, 2025 at 02:13 PM

EC

“ My heart is sad. Mary Lou was one of my first friends. We went to the same schools. We were both in the Civil Air Patrol in the 50s and attended an encampment at Olmsberg Air Force Base. She was my maid of honor when I married in 1957. Our ways parted when I moved to Kent, Ct after marriage, but we kept in touch with cards through the years. She visited with her great grandson Christian. The last time I saw her was at my 80th birthday party 6 years ago. I have many wonderful memories. My sympathy's to her family. My thoughts and prayers are with you.

Elizabeth A Carlson - January 03, 2025 at 11:12 AM

NR

Thank you for being a great friend to her and sharing this. I'm sorry for loss as well. She will be greatly missed but carried on in all our hearts.



Nicole Rizza - January 03, 2025 at 07:44 PM