

ELIZABETH "BETSY" SIMAO

May 15, 1936 - February 25, 2020

Elizabeth "Betsy" (DeSantis) Simao, passed away peacefully on February 25th at Upstate Community Hospital. A lifelong resident of Solvay, she and her husband Tony, also took great pleasure in spending time and entertaining at their Cape Vincent, NY and Melbourne, FL homes. In 2018, Betsy moved to Onondaga Hill to live with her daughter and son-in-law, Roseanne and Rick Scrimale, and their children, Nina, Antonio and Nicoletta.

Born May 15, 1936, Betsy was the youngest of five children born to Nicholas and Rose (Fiore) DeSantis, and will always be affectionately remembered for her delightful cooking, warm hospitality and kind heart.

A graduate of Solvay High School, she worked for NY Telephone and AT&T for 25 years, until retiring in 1993. Betsy was a communicant of St. Cecilia's Church where she was a Eucharistic Minister and member of the Altar and Rosary Society. She was also a member of the Solvay Tigers Ladies Auxiliary. In addition to her parents, Betsy was predeceased by her brothers, Lawrence and PFC Frank DeSantis, sisters, Fay Rydelek and Rosemary Campagnoni, and her loving husband of 36 years, Antonio "Tony" Simao.

In addition to many great lifelong friends, Betsy is survived by her children, Lisa (Mark) Cavallaro, of Onondaga Hill, sons, Joe Simao, of Palm Bay, FL and Philip (P.J.) Simao, of Alexandria Bay and Roseanne (Rick) Scrimale, of Onondaga Hill.

Those "Nana" cherished most are her grandchildren: Nick (Ali) Cavallaro, Marisa (Derek) Norcross, Dina Cavallaro, Michele Simao, Taryn (Jared)

Perrone, Nina, Antonio and Nicoletta Scrimale, and six great-grandchildren:
Bodhi, Isla, Lena, Lucas, Dominic and Mila.

Betsy's children would like to acknowledge the loving and compassionate care Mom received and the assistance we all received from Betsy's Dream Team of caregivers: Kelly, Kelli, Liz, Lori, Leah and Kim and the doctors, nurses and staff of Upstate Community Hospital, 4 North.

Family and friends may call from 1:00 to 4:00 pm Sunday at BAGOZZI TWINS FUNERAL HOME, 2601 Milton Avenue.

Funeral services will be held 10:45 am Monday at BAGOZZI TWINS FUNERAL HOME and 11:30 am at St. Marianne Cope Parish-St. Cecilia Church, where a Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated. Burial will follow in Greenlawn Memorial Park, Warners.

Contributions may be made to Hospice of Jefferson County, 1398 Gotham Street, Watertown, NY 13601.

Please share online tributes and memories at www.bagozzitwins.com.

Cemetery Details

Greenlawn Memorial Park

2932 Warners Rd.
Warners, NY 13164

Previous Events

Calling Hours

MAR 1. 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Bagozzi Twins Funeral Home, Inc.
2601 Milton Ave.
Solvay, NY 13209
(315) 468-2431
steve@bagozzitwinsfh.com
<https://www.bagozzitwins.com/>

Funeral Service

MAR 2. 10:45 AM (ET)

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Mass of Christian Burial

MAR 2. 11:30 AM (ET)

ST. MARIANNE COPE PARISH; ST. CECILIA CHURCH
1001 WOODS RD.
SOLVAY, NY 13209

Tribute Wall



“ *Bagozzi Twins Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of ELIZABETH "BETSY" SIMAO*



BAGOZZI TWINS FUNERAL HOME, INC. - February 28, 2020 at 12:10 PM



“ *ELIZABETH "BETSY" SIMAO*

January 21, 2023 at 02:11 PM



“ *We had many good times as children at your house. Many great memories. Mrs Simao will always be remembered and cherished in my heart from back then. I'm very sorry for your family at this time in your lives. It's not easy losing our Mother's. Shes happily back with your Dad and Grama, and everyone who was there to welcome her home. ❤️*

Mary Sue Walker - March 05, 2020 at 07:46 AM



“ *With Deepest Sympathy. The Donegan Family. Jim, Donna, Pat, Sean and Kim.*

James Donegan - March 03, 2020 at 08:53 AM

EM

“ Family of Betsy Simao...We were shocked and saddened to hear your Mom passed away. Sorry we couldn't make the calling hours as we are out of town. She was a beautiful person. May the love and support from your family and friends help you through this trying time and may you find comfort and peace from the happy memories you have of her. You are in our thoughts and prayers. Carole & Joe Emmi 🙏🙏🙏🙏🙏

Emmi - March 02, 2020 at 10:42 PM



“ Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of ELIZABETH "BETSY" SIMAO.



March 02, 2020 at 09:47 AM

SS

“ Our condolences from the Sciuga family we are so sorry for your loss we will keep you all in our prayers. The Sciuga's

Sal sciuga - March 02, 2020 at 06:20 AM

LC

“ Lisa, Joey, PJ, Roseanne, my deepest condolences you and your families. I am so sorry I was not able to attend the calling hours. I hope that all the great memories of you sweet mom will help you through this difficult time. Liz and Luis Cipriano

liz cipriano - March 01, 2020 at 02:15 PM

MH

“ My deepest sympathy for all of the members of Betsy's family. What a wonderful kind and caring woman! She was my first manager at AT&T over 30 years ago and made my transition from a prior job so very easy and pleasant. I know she's in heaven watching all of you. My thoughts are with all of you today.

Mary Herbst - March 01, 2020 at 01:31 PM

JD

“ To Betsy's family, Unfortunately I am unable to attend any of the services but my mind and heart will be with you. I worked closely with Betsy for several years and enjoyed her company. Her smile and sense of humor brightened many a day. May God's love be your strength through these difficult days. Peace be with you. June Davidson

June Davidson - March 01, 2020 at 12:52 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of ELIZABETH "BETSY" SIMAO.



February 29, 2020 at 11:48 AM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of ELIZABETH "BETSY" SIMAO.



February 29, 2020 at 11:24 AM



“ Please accept the most heartfelt sympathies of Le Moyne College. We hope the love and memories that you will forever hold in your heart bring you peace and comfort during this difficult time.

Le Moyne College, Alumni Office - February 28, 2020 at 04:01 PM



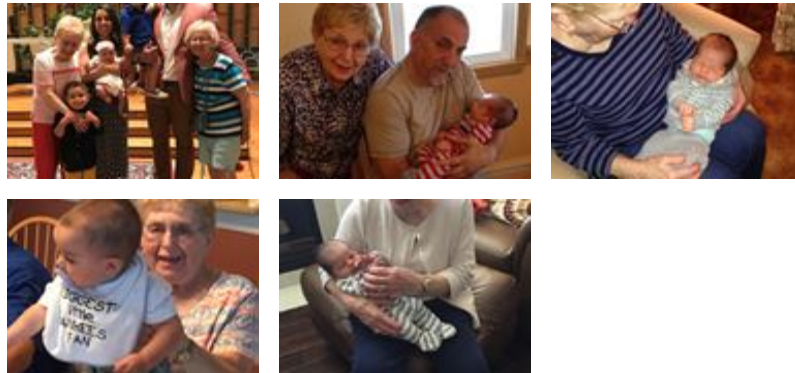
“ Pink Potpourri Bouquet was purchased for the family of ELIZABETH "BETSY" SIMAO.



February 28, 2020 at 03:11 PM



“ 5 files added to the album Life Tributes



BAGOZZI TWINS FUNERAL HOME, INC. - February 28, 2020 at 02:44 PM



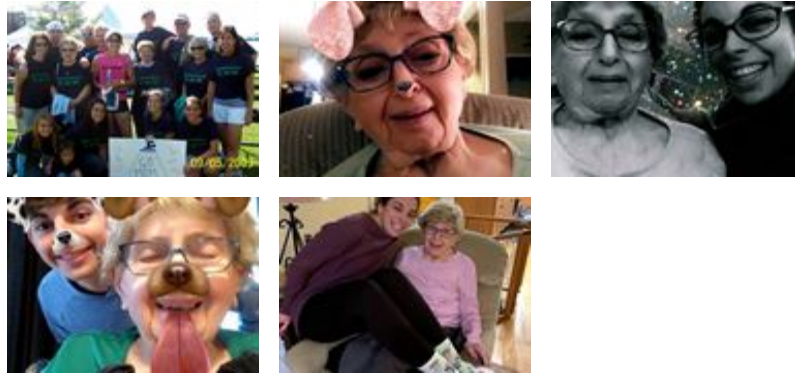
“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of ELIZABETH "BETSY" SIMAO.*



February 28, 2020 at 02:39 PM



“ *61 files added to the album Life Tributes*



BAGOZZI TWINS FUNERAL HOME, INC. - February 28, 2020 at 12:08 PM



“ *PJ I am so sorry to learn of your loss. Your mom was the sweetest lady. I wish I could be with you, but leave for cruise in the morning from Myrtle beach. I hope that soon your memories will bring you all a smile instead of tears. Never forget what good stock that you all come from. I pray that God holds you all in the palm of your hand at this time.*

nancy kall - February 28, 2020 at 11:08 AM

ML

“ It is with a heavy heart that I send this condolence. I am so sorry to hear of your moms passing. Hopefully your loving memories will give you solace at this most difficult time.
In sympathy, Mary LaVere

Mary LaVere - February 28, 2020 at 07:56 AM

ED

“ So sorry for your loss, thoughts and prayers to the family. Eliot and Carmen Dickson

Eliot Dickson - February 28, 2020 at 05:32 AM

JM

“ To all of Betsy's family, my deepest sympathy. Your mom was a good friend to my mother, Jennie Wilson. The DeSantis family on Cogswell Ave. was very close the Baratta family just up the street back in the day. Your mom was a sweetheart!!
Thinking of you at this difficult time.
Judy (Wilson) Merritt

Judy Merritt - February 27, 2020 at 01:12 PM

CW

“ Betsy was one of the sweetest women I've known. May she rest in Our Lord's eternal peace. Many prayers and much love to you all. I have very fond memories and hope your memories help to keep you warm and give you peace.

Christine Werbeck - February 27, 2020 at 10:54 AM

PL

“ *Paula Ligoci lit a candle in memory of
ELIZABETH "BETSY" SIMAO*



Paula Ligoci - February 27, 2020 at 10:40 AM

KB

“ *Kathy Marinelli Brouse lit a candle in memory
of ELIZABETH "BETSY" SIMAO*



Kathy Marinelli Brouse - February 26, 2020 at 06:54 PM