



Charlene S. McKaig

October 31, 1937 - March 10, 2023

Charlene S. McKaig of North Tonawanda, NY passed away March 10, 2023. She was born in Syracuse, NY on October 31, 1937.

Charlene's focus in life was health education, from infants to seniors. While she started her career as a school nurse and health teacher, she found her experiences as a summer camp nurse provided a wealth of great stories. She shared many of those plus family memories as she worked with graduate students preparing them for the real world beyond the classroom as Nurse Practitioners . She shared freely of her time, as well as her home, with her sister, niece and many nephews. In retirement she turned her love for old treasures into Oldies and Goodies a shop just full of memories which Char willingly shared with her customers. Char's love for her feline friends along with memorabilia of her own family was evident in all the photos and other décor in her home.

Charlene graduated from Warner High School and had degrees from Plattsburg State, Syracuse University, SUNY Buffalo plus an Ed. D Doctorate also from SUNY Buffalo. It is suspected that her favorite degree is one she gave herself – Matriarch of our family branch!

Charlene was predeceased by her parents Charles and Beatrice McKaig and her brother James R. McKaig. She is survived by her sister Ann Courtney (Wiltse) of Leesburg, FL, niece June D'Angelo (Daniel), nephews Charles Courtney (late Nancy), Scott Courtney (Cynthia), plus several other nephews and nieces..

A celebration of Charlene's life will be held at Maplewood Cemetery, Camillus, NY on June 3rd at noon. Donations may be made in Charlene's name to Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson Research, attn: Donor Services, Grand Central Station, PO Box 4777, NY,NY 10163-4777

Cemetery Details

Maplewood Cemetery

Camillus, NY

Previous Events

Graveside service

JUN 3. 12:00 PM.

Maplewood Cemetery
Camillus, NY

Tribute Wall

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“ So many wonderful memories of Charlene, first as my mentor at UB , supporting all of my journey to become a nurse practitioner, journeys out to the shop, picking strawberries, hunting antiques! Many recollections of my friend and guide. She will be missed and always treasured. Phyllis Gresham

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“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Charlene S. McKaig.



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“ Charlene was my university Professor, my mentor and role model and a friend. She touched the lives of so many students at the University of Buffalo School of Nursing. She made learning very interesting and fun and she helped me shape my career trajectory. We lost touch over the years but I think of her fondly. I hope her passage from this earth was gentle and pain free. Terri Winkelman

terry winkelman - May 30, 2023 at 04:04 PM