



Christine K Dunford

April 15, 1937 - October 25, 2024

Christine K. Dunford (née Kratzke)

Of North Tonawanda, passed away peacefully at home, October 25, 2024, while under the care of Niagara Hospice. She was born April 15, 1937 in Buffalo, daughter of the late Walter and Arline Kratzke. Loving wife of 67 years to John Dunford; devoted mother of Deborah (Rick) Jepson, Cheryl (Robert) Rae, Mark Dunford and Suzanne (Jason) Wolf; loving grandmother of 8 and great grandmother of 9. Sister of Diane (late James) Wilkinson and the late Carol Kelly. Mrs. Dunford enjoyed RV traveling with her husband, she also loved doing arts and crafts in her spare time. Visitation Wednesday October 30, 2024, 4 to 8 PM at the WATTENGEL Funeral Home, 533 Meadow Dr. North Tonawanda. Mass of Christian Burial Thursday October 31, 9:30 AM from St. Jude the Apostle Parish, 800 Niagara Falls Blvd. Please assemble at church. In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to Niagara Hospice.

Cemetery Details

Mount Olivet Cemetery

4000 Elmwood Ave
Kenmore, NY 14217

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **30**. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Wattengel Funeral Home (Meadow Drive)
533 Meadow Drive
North Tonawanda, NY 14120
(716) 693-0440
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<https://www.wattengel.com>

Mass of Christian Burial

OCT **31**. 9:30 AM (ET)

St Jude the Apostle Parish
800 Niagara Falls Blvd.
North Tonawanda, NY

Please assemble at church

Tribute Wall

AA

“ Dear John and family:
So sorry to hear of Chris' passing. Please accept our sincere
condolence's.
She was a wonderful lady.

Angelo & Carol Alessandra - October 31, 2024 at 09:46 AM



“ 119 files added to the album Life Tributes



Wattengel Funeral Home - October 30, 2024 at 12:01 PM

RL

“ Rick, Debbie, Max and Lacy purchased the Days
of Sunshine Bouquet for the family of Christine K
Dunford.



Rick, Debbie, Max and Lacy - October 30, 2024 at 03:15 AM

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“ A special lady with a radiant smile and always a sparkle in her eyes whose true priority and great joy was her family.

I was beyond lucky to have you as my mother-in-law and have so many special and wonderful memories of our times together.

I will also treasure all the talks we had, just the two of us.

You were such a loving and supportive grandmother. You and dad cheered for Taylor's every accomplishment and attended so many of her special activities and school events, always so happy and excited to be there.

You are loved and you will be dearly missed.

Nadia

Nadia Dunford - October 27, 2024 at 10:51 AM

JM

“ Love you. ❤️



Jen Marschke - October 27, 2024 at 12:11 AM

JM

“ Hey grandma,

I wish that I could write this to you in handwriting because I know you would prefer it. I'm sorry I'm not there. I just want to say that I'm not sure what kind of childhood I'd have if you and grandpa were not such a huge part of it. We stayed with you guys often, traveled with you often and got to see "the world." You would make a crockpot of food and drive us an hour to ski every weekend. We would be there all day while you sat in the lodge excited to hear our stories when we returned. I still remember the day you taught me to crochet. I tried to make a pot holder. As I aged you would send me stuff where I traveled. I remember the hand written letters and package that even made it to my school in Wales. You celebrated every moment that was important to me making it to my high school and college graduation and you and grandpa being the only family members that showed they were proud when I got my Masters degree and you took me out for Chinese dinner. I remember your visit to me in Potsdam when we went to Ausable Chasm to go rafting and you descended into the river bottom down what felt like hundreds of stairs backwards just to experience this moment with us. You said, "it felt better on your knees." You were always there for us when we were younger and even as we grew into adults. I love you grandma.

Jen Marschke - October 27, 2024 at 12:07 AM

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“ Nadia D. planted a grove of 5 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Christine K Dunford.

Nadia D. - October 26, 2024 at 07:50 PM

EM

“ *Erin, Mike & Michael purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Christine K Dunford.*



Erin, Mike & Michael - October 26, 2024 at 04:45 PM