



Rosemary (née Sawma) Gardner

July 9, 1946 - August 30, 2023

Rosemary (née Sawma) Gardner, 77 of North Tonawanda, Wednesday (August 30, 2023) in Buffalo General Hospital. Rosemary was born in Niagara Falls, New York on July 9, 1946 to George and Emma (née Monti) Sawma, due to the early death of her mother she was raised by her late aunt Nellie Frosini. Rosemary loved to travel and lived in Germany for 2 years in 1964, she worked for Gieco, was a top seller for Century 21 Reality, went to Niagara Community College, where she played softball, and was a proud member of her sorority there. In her spare time she coached little league for her daughters, she was very family orientated, proud mother, and grandmother who enjoyed spending time with family, Christmas season and cooking her Italian meals. Rosemary was the former wife of the late Captain Glenn D. Gardner

Rosemary is survived by her daughters Melanie (Dave) Riester, and Pamela Gardner, grandmother of Ashley, Alexis, and Amber Riester, sister of Joyce (née Sawma) Tornambe, also survived by Suzanne Lysaght and family. Friends may call Saturday (September 9, 2023) from 2-5 PM at the Wattengel Funeral Home, 533 Meadow Drive, North Tonawanda, where funeral services will follow.

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 9. 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

Wattengel Funeral Home (Meadow Drive)
533 Meadow Drive
North Tonawanda, NY 14120
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Funeral Service

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Wattengel - September 09, 2023 at 02:09 PM



“ Thinking of you all today, and wishing I could be home to Celebrate my beautiful cousin. Praying for you all to find peace. My deepest Sympathy and love to you all, Kim

Kim Heitz - September 09, 2023 at 06:27 AM



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Wattengel Funeral Home - September 08, 2023 at 02:26 PM

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“ My dear, dear friend! We were “*Thelma and Louise*” great times in the early ‘90’s, Nutrsystem and dancing all night long! You were the funniest! You will be so missed. XXO 🥹

Debbie Stutz - September 01, 2023 at 03:45 PM

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My partner in crime and good times. Dancing queen of the Marriott, you will be missed. RIP.

Jan Monico - September 02, 2023 at 09:36 AM