



Rosemary M. Driscoll

March 10, 1926 - November 1, 2020

Rosemary M. Driscoll, 94, of Syracuse, passed away peacefully on November 1, 2020. She was born in Oswego, NY to the late Frank and Mary Woods and resided in Syracuse for the last 70 years. Rosemary worked at Joseph's Salon for over 20 years and a nurse's aide at Crouse Hospital. She loved roller-skating, bowling, gardening, and most of all, caring for her grandchildren. We will always remember her tenacity, wit, spunkiness, and undying love for her family and friends. Her door was always open for anyone in need. Her hard work to care for and provide for her children defined who she was. A great mother and grandmother to all!!

In addition to her parents, Rosemary is predeceased by her husband, James Driscoll; sons, Ronnie, George, James, and Timothy John; she will also be joined by her 12 siblings as her new life begins.

She is survived by her daughters, Debra (David) Rasmussen, Norma (Russ) Nemeti and Patty (Paul) Gruner; 11 grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren; siblings, Thomas Woods, Raymond Woods, and Anne Butera; along with several nieces, nephews, and cousins. A special thank you to her life-long best friend Edith Brazell!

Per our mom's request, there will be no calling hours or services.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to a children's charity of choice.

Comments



“ Thanksgiving and Christmas has come and gone. It was difficult to not have my mom with us for the Holidays. As challenging as it was to get through, I feel like she is still near. I know she is smiling down from above when she sees all the beautiful condolence cards, Mass cards and donations to children’s hospital from my family, friends and clients. What an amazing outpour of love. I am so grateful to everyone for their generosity and thoughtfulness. There are not enough words to express my thanks. I will cherish all the beautiful cards along with the loving heartfull personal notes written inside. Love and hugs to all ..Norma



Norma Nemeti - January 02, 2021 at 11:17 PM



“ It has been a month since Mom's unexpected passing and it still feels so raw and surreal. Thank you to everyone for your memories, comments, conversations, and cards. We truly appreciate and find comfort in the kind, thoughtful condolences.

Debbie - November 30, 2020 at 01:34 PM



“ Recently found notebook full of mom’s memories and special moments she wrote about. This memory was labeled “my Greatest Birthday” in her book. It really was the perfect day. My house was full of family and friends and my mom was so surprised by the “picture cake” it was amazing!!



Norma Nemeti - November 21, 2020 at 08:01 AM



“ Norma, Debbie, and Patty,
My sincere condolences on the loss of your Mom. What a great lady...she sure was a one of a kind! I'll always smile when I think of her. Sending hugs and love. Miss you all.
RIP Rosie.
Carol (Kieffer) Maier

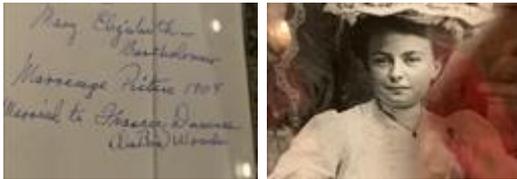
Carol Maier - November 17, 2020 at 08:29 AM



“ Miss you guys too!!! Thanks for the kind words. We need to get together one of these days and talk about the old days! Love Norma
Norma Nemeti - November 17, 2020 at 09:33 PM



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Norma Nemeti - November 14, 2020 at 02:59 PM



“ Pic of my mom in her velvet roller skate outfit holding her grad daughter Linda on her skates! Over 40 years ago!!



Norma Nemeti - November 12, 2020 at 07:50 PM



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Debbie - November 12, 2020 at 07:17 PM



“ Our Mom with sisters Gwen and Helen holding Daniel

Debbie - November 13, 2020 at 06:06 AM



“ Barbara. I thought you might enjoy this pic of my mom and Patty and myself at our aunt Marge and uncle George's house!! My mom really liked this pic. ...Norma



Norma Nemeti - November 12, 2020 at 10:37 AM



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Helene Hazeltine - November 10, 2020 at 07:09 PM



“ Debbie, Norma, and Patty I was so sad to hear of the passing of your Mother, my sincere condolences. May your memories keep you through this difficult time. I will never forget Aunt Rosemary's spunky fun loving spirit!
Mary Carol (Woods) Magistro

Mary Carol (Woods) Magistro - November 10, 2020 at 03:27 PM



“ My mom’s obituary will also be posted in the Oswego Pal Times paper by tomorrow. So sorry for the delay. Love to all Norma



Norma Nemeti - November 09, 2020 at 01:42 PM



“ Beautiful picture, really shows her beautiful strawberry blonde hair. So pretty.

Anna Woods Butera - November 09, 2020 at 10:09 PM



“ My favorite holidays were the ones I got to spend with grandma. Her sense of humor and quick wit always made me laugh. I remember staying at grandma’s house as a little girl learning about gardening and helping grandma in hers. She taught me the importance of always have a secret stash of cookies in the kitchen. I so deeply wish my son could have experienced how wonderful of a person grandma was and I can’t wait until he is old enough for me to talk with him about her. Until then, I will wrap him in the baby blankie she made for me when I was little and I’ll find comfort in the beautiful and happy memories I have of her.



Colleen - November 09, 2020 at 12:48 PM



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Norma Nemeti - November 09, 2020 at 05:55 AM



“ Love this pic of my mom and her oldest son Ronnie



Norma Nemeti - November 09, 2020 at 05:36 AM



“ Oswego NY. My mom just looking gorgeous!



Norma Nemeti - November 09, 2020 at 04:37 AM



“ Blizzard of 66. You go mamma. Ain't no mountain high enough!!



Norma Nemeti - November 09, 2020 at 04:25 AM



“ Loved having that photo enlarged and framed for her 90th, it brought back so many memories of that winter. She kept shoveling during the blizzard until she couldn't pile snow any higher and boasted about how it was nothing compared to her childhood winters in Oswego. Mom had us pull sleds to the nearest grocery store and deliver bread and milk to our elderly neighbors until roads opened a week or more later. She always looked out for anyone in need. School was out for at least two weeks and we sledged across the street on Schiller Park hill until spring, Mom included!

Debbie - November 09, 2020 at 08:04 AM



“ Wow Debbie!! Did you have something bigger than the original one Patty gave you to blow up for her??? Please share with us!! P.S. It was Lincoln Park

Norma Nemeti - November 09, 2020 at 11:01 AM



“ Oops, thank you for correcting, it was Lincoln of course. We had so much fun living across the street from that park. Schiller Park held other memories. Sadly, the photo shop could only enlarge to the copies I gave.

Debbie - November 09, 2020 at 11:16 AM



“ Can you put her obit in the Oswego Pal Times? There are probably many friends and family that would like to view it. So sorry for your loss, and ours, too.

Barbara Skinner - November 09, 2020 at 11:22 AM



“ Yes of course. I am doing it today!! Thank you for your condolences. I appreciate it. My mom was a great lady and will be missed by all. She had a recent dream she told Patty about that she was going to live to see 100 !! Sad when our dreams don't come true. But so thankful she lived to be 94 !!

Norma Nemeti - November 09, 2020 at 11:43 AM



“ Today in my house I will put up a sign by the refrigerator “ Don't open this door” and by the front door “ Remember your brain” in honor of Rosie. Love you Rosie and will keep you always in my thought. RIP.

Joni Hodgins - November 09, 2020 at 02:20 PM



“ So sorry to have lost my aunt. She was always keeping us on our toes! So much fun! Sincere sympathy to the rest of her family. We have lots of memories to sustain us. Love to all.

Barbara Skinner - November 08, 2020 at 11:27 PM



“ Thank you Barb. We have so many fond memories of Oswego family too. Visits with aunts, uncles and cousins are so much a part of our childhood. We loved going to your parents, especially Uncle George's fish tank wall ;-)

Debbie - November 09, 2020 at 01:28 PM



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Debbie - November 08, 2020 at 08:23 PM



“ Celebrating Mom's 92nd birthday

Debbie - November 09, 2020 at 07:23 AM



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Debbie - November 08, 2020 at 04:29 PM



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Debbie - November 08, 2020 at 04:19 PM



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Debbie - November 08, 2020 at 10:44 AM



“ The party's not over until Mom dances with the caretaker!

Debbie - November 08, 2020 at 10:45 AM



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Debbie - November 08, 2020 at 10:42 AM



“ We all enjoyed Mom's dance moves to "Wooly Bully"

Debbie - November 08, 2020 at 10:47 AM



“ She was always "the life of the party"! Loved her!

Barbara Skinner - November 08, 2020 at 11:23 PM



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Debbie - November 08, 2020 at 10:40 AM



“ Mom with her sisters Gwen, Marguerite, and Helen

Debbie - November 08, 2020 at 10:48 AM



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Debbie - November 08, 2020 at 10:36 AM



“ Christmas Magic, Mom LOVED tinsel! She stayed up all night decorating the tree every year. She took great joy in our excitement Christmas morning.

Debbie - November 08, 2020 at 10:52 AM



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Debbie - November 08, 2020 at 10:30 AM



“ Special thank you to cousin Karen for sending these photos of Mom and Dad.

Debbie - November 08, 2020 at 10:53 AM



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Debbie - November 08, 2020 at 10:28 AM



“ She was beautiful!

Barbara Skinner - November 08, 2020 at 11:21 PM



“ My darling Ro, thank God for the beautiful and funny last vacation you, Lynda and I spent together. You conned me for those rings. We ate more pizza in two weeks than I have eaten in my life. And, those Alpacas! I still laugh out loud over those beautiful animals pushing us around in their pen. Those things got so close to you almost sitting in your lap. You were happy, laughing and yelling at me.

That puzzle I sent you. Silly me, I thought it was beautiful and shiny. I called you and you were yelling and cursing me for sending you a puzzle that was see through. You made me promise to put that puzzle to gather this past summer.

Oh darling one more. Remember when you first got your drivers license? It was winter there and I let you take my car anyways. What happened, you left the headlights on. When you went to drive home, the car didn't start. You called me up and yelled at me!

Everyone you touched could write some encounter that will always make them laugh out loud. Thank you for both the up and down memories. You will be forever missed.

We love you, Helene and Lynda

Helene - November 07, 2020 at 03:17 PM



“ Prays to Rosemary family. She was a friend to my family when I was growing up on the northside. Always friendly and respected.
Jim Pirro

James Pirro - November 07, 2020 at 01:01 PM



“ Thank you Jim, I just found a photo of our First Communion on Carbon Street ;-)
Debbie - November 08, 2020 at 11:03 AM



“ “ Norma, so happy to see the pictures of your moms 90th birthday party . I remember all the planning you did and how thrilled you were at how good the picture cake turned out . (I love Murphy bakery in Manlius ,go there for all my cakes now .)
One of those memories to warm your heart”..... Diane

Diane - November 07, 2020 at 09:29 AM



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Debbie - November 06, 2020 at 09:58 PM



“ Photo shows Rosemary family, her parents and all thirteen siblings
Debbie - November 07, 2020 at 08:23 AM



“ Debbie lit a candle in memory of Rosemary M. Driscoll



Debbie - November 06, 2020 at 09:10 PM



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Debbie Rasmussen - November 06, 2020 at 08:51 PM



“ Meeting great granddaughter Mia, Daniel's daughter

Debbie - November 08, 2020 at 11:00 AM



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Debbie Rasmussen - November 06, 2020 at 08:49 PM



“ Megan and Colleen celebrating another Grandma birthday

Debbie - November 08, 2020 at 10:59 AM



“ love this photo of us and grandma <3

Colleen - November 09, 2020 at 02:57 PM



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Debbie Rasmussen - November 06, 2020 at 08:47 PM



“ Mom loved her porch Christmas decorations and angels

Debbie - November 08, 2020 at 10:57 AM



“ Grandma loved her Christmas decor! I loved driving around on Christmas Eve during all those beautiful holidays she spent with us to show her the christmas lights! She could always find the beauty in things <3

Colleen - November 09, 2020 at 02:59 PM



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Debbie Rasmussen - November 06, 2020 at 08:46 PM



“ Mom and Aunt Helen

Debbie - November 08, 2020 at 10:55 AM



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Debbie Rasmussen - November 06, 2020 at 08:45 PM



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Debbie Rasmussen - November 06, 2020 at 08:43 PM



“ Norma and family, so,sorry to hear of your moms passing , I will always remember her at your little coffee cafe in your salon ..She was always so pleasant and friendly and would sit and chat and make me laugh . I'm sure you have many fond memories of her. Keep them close to your heart ! You are in my prayersDiane

Diane - November 06, 2020 at 08:26 PM