



## Joy M. Althizer

May 12, 1936 - December 26, 2023

Joy Marie Althizer

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After a brief illness, Joy passed away in the Ghent Rehab Facility at the age of 87. Joy was preceded in death by her husband, Edward, who passed away 33 years ago at the age of 57. She was the last remaining sibling of seven brothers and sisters. She is survived by her daughters Joanne (and her husband, Robb), Misty (and her husband, John), and her son Thomas. Joy also leaves her three grandchildren: Dustin, Christopher and Ashley (and her husband, John Sr.), along with five great grandchildren: Ellie, Gavin, Aleaha, John Jr., and Jazzy.

Joy was born in Hudson, New York, and lived in Columbia County her entire life. She graduated with a business degree from Albany Business College. She was a bookkeeper in her early career. She later went on to serve as a Nurse's Aid at the Hudson Firemen's Home. She received several awards for her hard work at the Home.

She will be remembered as kind and generous, with a strong work ethic. Joy was someone you could always count on.

Joy possessed a quiet and humble inner strength. Her fortitude saw her through many difficult life circumstances including the sudden loss of her husband. Despite this, she never allowed her grief or sorrow to diminish her keen sense of humor, and always appreciated good wit.

Joy's greatest pleasure was her children. She was at her happiest on those

occasions when family and friends gathered for an impromptu picnic or holiday gathering. Her favorite holiday was Christmas, and she fully embraced and loved the spirit of charity during the season. No matter her circumstances, she always found a way to remember those less fortunate.

She believed that every day - but especially Christmas Day – allowed for the experiencing and sharing of great joy. There is little doubt that Joy willed herself to experience one last Christmas. We miss her greatly. In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to Joy's favorite organization: St. Jude Children's Hospital.

She was very loved, and will be greatly missed by all.

# Tribute Wall

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“ Tom, Joanne, Misty: I'm so sorry for our loss. I loved your mother all my life, since our high school days. My happiest days were spent with her. Love, from Jim  
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**James Russell** - January 06, 2024 at 08:23 AM

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“ Joanne, Misty and Tommy  
I'm very sorry to hear of the loss of Joy. She was a very sweet much loved lady who I am glad to have known.  
Danny Russell

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**Dan Russell** - January 05, 2024 at 11:01 PM

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**Jo** - December 28, 2023 at 02:23 PM