



## Marjorie "Molly" P. Zello

October 16, 1920 - December 29, 2016

Marjorie "Molly" P. Zello, 96, of Sayre, passed away peacefully on Thursday, December 29, 2016 at Elderwood Healthcare at Tioga in Waverly, NY, after a courageous battle with dementia.

Born October 16, 1920 in Sayre, PA, Molly was the youngest daughter of 11 children, of the late Dewitt and Jennie Blackman. Marjorie was a graduate of Sayre High School Class of 1939.

On August 20, 1941 she married Joseph "Pep" Zello and she was by his side for 43 years, until his death November 7, 1984.

She was employed through the years with Manoil Toy Factory, Sears and Roebuck, and Norden Bomb Site, and often watched children in her home. During World War II, Molly volunteered at the Lehigh Station with the USO Canteen, meeting troop trains. She was a longtime volunteer with the Robert Packer Hospital, Girl Scout Leader, and a life time member of the Church of the Redeemer.

Anyone who knew Molly knows she enjoyed baking and playing cards, second only to the love she had for her family, especially her grandchildren. She spent endless hours playing Pinochle with her card club and anyone else willing to deal a hand.

Her favorite place next to her home was Old Orchard Beach, Maine and she took every opportunity to visit.

She was predeceased by her son Joseph "Gary" Zello, brothers Herb (Ella), Ida (Ron), Kathryn (Leigh), Fred (Helen), Elizabeth "Honey" (Sam), Jayne

(John), Harry, Clifford (Mavis), and infant brothers Donald and Clinton.

Molly is survived by her children Joann (Jack) White, James (Elaine) Zello, Laurie (Richard) Stevens, 12 grandchildren; JJ, Jamie, Jennifer, Gary, Tammi, Domonic, Patricia, Susannah, Michael, Gretchen, Christy and Courtney, 12 great grandchildren, 2 great great grandchildren, and many beloved nieces and nephews.

The funeral service will be held Wednesday, January 4, 2017 at 1:00 p.m. at the Alteri-Bowen Funeral Home 314 Desmond St. Sayre, PA with Rev. Anne Canfield officiating. The family will receive friends one hour prior to the service at the funeral home. Burial will be in Tioga Point Cemetery, Athens, PA.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests that contributions may be directed to a charity or organization of one's choice in Marjorie P. "Molly" Zello's memory.

Memories and condolences may be expressed by visiting [www.bowenfuneralhomes.com](http://www.bowenfuneralhomes.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Tioga Point Cemetery

803 North Main Street  
Athens, PA 18810

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 4. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Alteri-Bowen Funeral Home  
314 Desmond Street  
Sayre, PA 18840  
(570) 888-2113  
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## Service

JAN 4. 1:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Marjorie "Molly" P. Zello*

October 22, 2023 at 08:10 PM



“ *Marjorie "Molly" P. Zello*

October 08, 2023 at 10:34 PM



“ *Marjorie "Molly" P. Zello*

October 06, 2023 at 09:57 AM



“ *Marjorie "Molly" P. Zello*

October 06, 2023 at 03:29 AM



“ *Marjorie "Molly" P. Zello*

October 05, 2023 at 02:02 PM



“ *I love you Great Grandma Molly, I know it's been a while since your passing and that it's kind of late for me to be writing this but I just wanted to say that I love and miss you more than anyone and anything.*

**Margaret "Molly" White** - October 05, 2021 at 09:58 AM

WK

“ To the Zello family, our condolences to all. Molly was a special kind of person, who will be missed. Sorry to her about her passing, from all of us. The Kneebone Family.

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**William A. Kneebone** - January 04, 2017 at 02:37 PM

SA

“ My condolences to Molly's family, Losing a loved one is never easy. May she rest in peace and watch over her entire family and keep them safe.

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**Sally** - January 04, 2017 at 09:28 AM

JB

“ Deeply saddened to learn of our beloved Aunt Molly passing away. After losing both our parents she stepped in and was the matriarch of a large extended family of children, grandchildren, great grandchildren, nieces, nephews, cousins, and so many more. We could not visit the Valley without going to see her and invariably there would be meatballs and banana bread at the ready! My husband always said he was going to leave me for her because he loved her cooking and baking so much:) I couldn't blame him!! The only time you wouldn't find her home was if she was at card club, a garage sale, or when she went to Maine. I never met anyone who didn't love her. Our family will miss her every day for the rest of our lives.

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**Jan Bzik** - January 03, 2017 at 04:26 PM

LC

“ Love the Zello cousins purchased the *Simply Lily* for the family of Marjorie "Molly" P. Zello.



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**Love the Zello cousins** - January 03, 2017 at 04:12 PM

MH

“ My condolences to Molly's family. I grew up in her back yard. Molly and Pep were always good to the neighborhood kids. The last time I visited Molly at her home, she showed me all the photos of her family, explaining who they were. It was obvious she was proud of them and loved them dearly.

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**Mari (Drake) Howe** - January 03, 2017 at 02:58 PM



“ *Shades of Purple* was purchased for the family of Marjorie "Molly" P. Zello.



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January 03, 2017 at 11:12 AM

JB

“ We lost the most important woman in our family's life when Aunt Molly passed away this past weekend. She was one in a million and I don't know of anyone who didn't love her. My husband said many times he was going to leave me for her as long as her meatballs and banana bread came along with the whole deal:) Aunt Molly was my Great Aunt as she was my Grandma Crawford's sister and Great surely described her. She was a huge part of my life and taught me so many things. My children loved her and I was so glad that they both got to know her. I loved to look at the love they had for her in their eyes. A visit back to the Valley wasn't complete without seeing her. We won't be able to attend her funeral but we will be there in our hearts and souls. We love you Aunt Molly-now and forever.

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**Jan Crawford Bzik** - January 03, 2017 at 09:58 AM

TG

“ Sending my heartfelt condolences to the Zello family, especially Laurie. I remember your sweet mother's smile as well as her warm and caring manner. An inspiration to others in being kind to all will only add to her beautiful legacy. With deep sympathy, Tina Bradley Gain

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**Tina Bradley Gain** - January 03, 2017 at 07:52 AM

FS

“ Lost my Godmother, Marjorie Phyllis Blackman Zello today. She was my Grandmother Ida's sister and she and my Mother, Patty were only 10 years apart in age so she was like an older sister to her. She was an extraordinary hostess, wife and Mother and she will be missed by many who were fortunate to have been the recipients of her kindness and gentility.

*It was amazing how any number of people would show up at her house and within a half hour she would have a full meal ready for everyone and anyone. For a me, a military brat who never had a home town, she was the essence of comfort, care and belonging. Although her roots were Pennsylvania Dutch, no one cooked better spaghetti and meatballs than Aunt Molly and her banana bread was second to none. It seems like only yesterday that we were all together enjoying a wonderful meal.*

*Where did all those special Christmases, pinochle games, sleep overs and summer nights catching fireflies go? Innocence, goodness, and unconditional love drifted away today and now we must face the world, good or bad, and without our source of strength and comfort.*

*I send all my love to her children, Gary, Joann, Jimmy and Laurie. Thank you, for sharing her with all of us.*

*I love you, Aunt Molly, and am proud to be a member of your family. Eternal rest to you and thank you for all you gave us, and more importantly, for just being you.*

*"And flights of angels sing thee to thy rest." - Shakespeare*

*Love always,*

*Sandy*

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frank stewart - January 02, 2017 at 10:22 PM

JC

“ *Jody Campbell lit a candle in memory of Marjorie "Molly" P. Zello*



jody Campbell - January 02, 2017 at 06:50 PM

JC

*Hugs and Prayers to all of you. Jody*

jody Campbell - January 02, 2017 at 06:51 PM

TP

“ *The Stewart Brothers & Sydney. Allentown, PA purchased the Peace, Prayers & Blessings - Blue and White for the family of Marjorie "Molly" P. Zello.*



The Stewart Brothers & Sydney. Allentown, PA - January 02, 2017 at 12:21 PM

JT

“ *Remember all the road trips with grandma ( her sister Elizabeth honey) going down to see aunt molly. Also going down to see aunt molly with my mom carolcto see her for her 80 5th birthday party*

Jennifet tricamo - January 01, 2017 at 10:48 PM