



Mary Lambert Dimock

November 19, 1935 - October 30, 2024

Mary Lambert Dimock, 88, beloved wife, mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother, passed away peacefully after a brief illness at Elizabeth Church Manor in Binghamton, NY on Wednesday, October 30, 2024, a few weeks before her eighty-ninth birthday.

The former Mary Catherine Lambert was born November 19, 1935, in Sayre, PA and grew up in Athens, the eldest of four children of Harold (“Bert”) and Mary Alice (Collins) Lambert. An accomplished pianist and vocalist, as a girl and young woman she frequently sang at the former Saint Joseph’s Roman Catholic Church in Athens, with her grandmother Mary Agnes (Murphy) Lambert playing the pipe organ. She attended The Epiphany School in Sayre and Athens High School, where she was active in music, drama, and journalism. In 1952 she was elected the first ever female president of the AHS student body. After graduating with honors in 1953, she worked briefly as a bookkeeper and attended Rochester Business Institute. In 1955 she married AHS classmate Arthur J. Dimock of Litchfield, and together they built a country home in Barton, NY where they raised five children and lived for 50 years. Throughout her life Mary continued to play the piano and participate in church choirs at Saint James in Waverly and Saint Patrick’s in Owego, NY, passing her love of music on to her children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. She was inducted into the Sayre chapter of the Beta Sigma Phi sorority in 1962 and was a member of LIVE (Let’s Improve Valley Environment), penning occasional commentaries for the local press in the

early days of the environmental movement. A charter member of the Endless Mountain Quilt Guild, Mary was a prolific quilter and very generous with her handiwork. Her children, grandchildren, and other family members are proud to display her many quilted works of art, lovingly handmade for weddings, births, and other special occasions. She was a voracious reader of both fiction and nonfiction, well-informed on history and current events. She was especially proud of her family's Irish heritage, poring through genealogical resources to trace not only her own roots but those of her husband in the British Isles and early America.

Mary is survived by her children Michael Dimock of Columbia, MD, Susanna Penny of Endicott, Thomas Dimock of Endwell, John Andrew ("Andy") Dimock of Owego, and Mary Kathryn ("Katy") Butler of Gansevoort, NY. A sixth child, William Joseph, died in infancy. Also surviving are 15 grandchildren and 11 (soon to be 13) great-grandchildren, her sister Margaret ("Peggy") Ilardi of Victor, NY, sister-in-law Janet Lambert of South Waverly, PA, nine nieces and nephews, and literally "dozens of cousins" who know her as Mary Catherine. In addition to her parents, her devoted husband of 60 years Art, and infant son, she was predeceased by brother Harold ("Hal") Lambert, and sister Anne Frances Lambert.

Mary's children would like to express their deep gratitude to the wonderful staff of the United Methodist Homes at the Elizabeth Church Manor in Binghamton and the Hilltop Campus in Johnson City for their dedication to our mother's well-being and dignity over the past six years.

Mary and Art were longtime members of Blessed Trinity Parish (Owego and Waverly), where she also leaves many friends. A funeral Mass will be celebrated at Saint James Catholic Church, 503 Clark Street Waverly, NY at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, November 9, 2024. Interment will follow in Saint James Cemetery, Waverly. Family and friends may call from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. on Friday, November 8, 2024, at the Alteri-Bowen Funeral Home, 314 Desmond Street, Sayre, PA. In lieu of flowers, please consider donating in Mary's name to the Tioga County Rural Ministry (<http://www.tcrm.org>) in

Owego or to the charity of your choice. Memories and condolences may be expressed by visiting www.bowenfuneralhomes.com .

Cemetery Details

St. James Cemetery

161 Elm Street
Waverly, NY 14892

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 8. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Alteri-Bowen Funeral Home
314 Desmond Street
Sayre, PA 18840
(570) 888-2113
info@bowenfuneralhomes.com

Mass of Christian Burial

NOV 9. 11:00 AM (ET)

St James Catholic Church
503 Clark St
Waverly, NY 14892-1007
(607) 565-2014

Tribute Wall



“ Dear Katy,
Your mom always as well as your dad treated me with kindness. May prayers be with you.
Love
Lou Ann Marchewka



Lou Ann - November 06, 2024 at 01:04 PM



“ Treasured Lilies Spray was purchased for the family of Mary Lambert Dimock.



November 05, 2024 at 02:08 PM



“ The Grandkids purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Mary Lambert Dimock.



The Grandkids - November 04, 2024 at 11:27 AM



“ Dear family, So sorry for the loss of Mary.

Janet Abel - November 04, 2024 at 10:19 AM

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“ *Many fond memories of Mary were shared at our quilt retreat this weekend. Our condolences to the family.*

Endless Mountains Quilt Guild

Barbsra Fike - November 02, 2024 at 10:29 PM