



Mary Ann Rusiniak Merkwa

July 24, 1945 - December 20, 2012

Mary Ann Rusiniak Merkwa, 67, of Salisbury passed away Thursday, December 20, 2012 at her home.

Born July 24, 1945 in Buffalo, NY, she was the daughter of the late Anne Kasza Rusiniak and Stanley Rusiniak. She graduated from Cheektowaga High School, Cheektowaga, NY and received her Associate Degree in Food Service from Erie County Community College, Buffalo, NY and bookkeeping and English degrees from Saratoga Springs, NY.

Mrs. Merkwa was a retired school teacher from the Onslow County School School.

She was a member of the St. Jude Community Church, Winston-Salem.

Those left to cherish her memory are her husband of 44 years, Peter J. Merkwa, children, Patricia Merkwa of Salisbury and Paul Merkwa and wife Bobbie of Lenoir; sister, Sue Vanderlip and husband Mike of Cheektowaga, NY; brother, Tom Rusiniak and wife Alethe of Cheektowaga, NY; 10 grandchildren, 4 great-grandchildren and 6 nephews.

A graveside service will be conducted 1:30 PM – Saturday at Brookhill Memorial Gardens with the Rev. Jack McConnell, minister of St. Jude

Community Church.

The family will receive friends from 12-1 PM Saturday at the Summersett Funeral Home and at other times the family will be at the residence.

Memorials may be made to St. Jude Community Church, 2873 Robinhood Rd., Winston-Salem, NC 27106

Tribute Wall



“ 75 days ago I lost one of the most important people in my life. I still can't wrap my head around it. I miss you so much every single day. Dad is trying his best to keep going his health hasn't been helping. Please Mom watch over him and help him to be stronger.##imported-begin##Trish##imported-end##

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“ Mom you where a big influence in my life, and I'll never forget you. I know the peace you are in now is unmeasurable I'll see you in the heaven.##imported-begin##Paul Merkwa##imported-end##

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“ We can not begin to express our sadness, and are very sorry for your loss. Mary was a wonderful and wise woman. She was greatly respected. She will be missed by all who knew her.##imported-begin##Dallas, Ted, and Tom##imported-end##

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“ I share all my love and prayers with Pete, Trish, Rachel and family in this time of sorrow.##imported-begin##Daniel Svec##imported-end##

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“ Nana, I will miss you so much. I cant believe you are really gone. I cant wait to see you again in Heaven and things will not be the same without you. Nathan, Gracie, LeAnn, and the new baby will all miss out on not having the same Nana that I did. You were truly an amazing and remarkable person. Beautiful through and through. I love you so much.##imported-begin##Amanda Ledford##imported-end##

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“ Peter, Trish and family,

My heart sank when I heard the news that Mary had passed. She was good to me and I always had the deepest respect for her. She will be missed dearly.

Dale##imported-begin##Dale Gray##imported-end##

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