



## Mrs. Elizabeth A. Kestyn

November 19, 1936 - October 24, 2021

Mrs. Elizabeth A. (LaRoche) Kestyn, 84, of Adams, died Sunday morning, October 24, 2021, at her home. She was born in Montague, MA on November 19, 1936, a daughter of the late Clifford and Stella (Nadeau) LaRoche. She attended schools in Turners Falls, graduated from Turners Falls High School and had lived in Adams since 1970. Betty worked as a customer service executive at Pfizer, Inc. and its successor, Specialty Minerals, Inc. in Adams for many years. She was a communicant of the Parish of St. John Paul II at the former St. Thomas Aquinas Church, Adams, and was a member of the Red Hat Society. She enjoyed crocheting, knitting, quilting, gardening, and traveling. She was an avid reader, and especially loved spending time with her children and grandchildren. Her husband, Stanley J. Kestyn, whom she married on February 8, 1958, died on April 12, 2018. She is survived by three daughters, Lynn DeINegro and her husband, Steve, of Williamstown; Pamela Kahanek and her husband, Dave, of St. Joseph, MI; and Brenda McIntyre and her husband, Michael, of Clay, NY; two sons, John Kestyn of Denver, CO and Robert Kestyn and his wife, Rebecca, of Prairieville, LA; ten grandchildren, including Nicholas, Marinda, Troy, Abigail, Benjamin, Emily, Meredith, Brooks, Parker and Houston; two brothers, Ronald LaRoche of Greenfield, and Robert LaRoche of Brewster, NY; one sister, Joyce Mankowski of Turners Falls; as well as several nieces, nephews, grandnieces and grandnephews. Betty's family would like to thank the staff of HospiceCare in the Berkshires, as well as her personal caregivers Laurie, Lisa and Linda, for the care and kindness they provided to Betty and her family. Funeral services will be held on Saturday, November 13th, at 12 Noon in the PACIOREK FUNERAL HOME, 13 Hoosac St. Adams. A calling hour will be held on Saturday, Nov. 13th from 11:00 AM until the service, at the funeral home. Burial will be on Monday, Nov. 15th, at 11:00 AM in Our Lady of Czestochowa Cemetery, Turners Falls. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to HospiceCare in the Berkshires, 877 South St. Pittsfield, MA 01201. To leave a message of condolence, or for directions, please go online to [www.paciorekfuneral.com](http://www.paciorekfuneral.com)

# Cemetery Details

## Our Lady of Czestochowa Cemetery

159 Turners Falls Rd.  
Turners Falls, MA 01376

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV **13**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Paciorek Funeral Home  
13 Hoosac Street  
Adams, MA 01220  
(413) 743-0815  
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## Service

NOV **13**. 12:00 PM (ET)

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## Graveside Service

NOV **15**. 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ *My tribute to Betty Kestyn*

*I would call myself a distant relative. Betty was married to Stanley, my first cousin. The distant reference is because I moved to California soon after college and did not see Betty, or the Kestyn family, as often as I would have liked to.*

*I always enjoyed the ride from Greenfield, through enchanting and rural western Massachusetts, to Adams. The Kestyns lived in a charming farmhouse at the top of a steep driveway.*

*Betty was always welcoming and appreciative that we had made the drive.*

*I enjoyed Betty very much. We were both interested in the arts and conversation always flowed easily.*

*She impressed me as having a life full of friends and social activities, such as elaborate family vacations or ushering for live performances at Williams College. She always spoke with such pride and love for her children, grandchildren, and their many beloved pets.*

*She had a youthful energy and awareness about the world around her.*

*We would sometimes exchange e-mails and I thought it sweet that hers were always entitled “chit chat.”*

*I will surely miss our “chats.”*

*To me, she embodied a life well-lived.*

*Sincerely,*

*Arlene Owseichik*



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