



## Mrs. Mary Jane Kolis

March 18, 1928 - January 16, 2022

Mrs. Mary Jane (Strauss) Kolis, 93, of Adams, passed away on Sunday, January 16, 2022, at the Kaplan House in Danvers, MA. surrounded by her loving family.

She was born in Pittsfield on March 18, 1928, to the late Stephen and Helen (Marauszwski) Strauss.

Her husband of 67 years William "Butch" Kolis whom she married October 26, 1946, passed away April 2, 2014. She attended schools in Pittsfield and graduated from Pittsfield High School with the class of 1945.

Mrs. Kolis last worked as the distribution clerk for the former Adelpia Cable until her retirement. The longest part of her working career was with the Adams Supermarket where she worked for over 30 years getting to know thousands of people and building wonderful friendships. Before that she had worked at the Berkshire Mills and during World War II Elmvale Worsted Co. of Pittsfield.

She was a communicant of the Parish of St. John Paul II at St. Stanislaus Kostka Church, Adams. She was a member of the Adams Senior Center. Her role as "Mother Nature" at the Berkshire Mountains Faerie Festival captured her spirit of adventure, whimsy and creativity.

She was a Warrior when it came to her love and support of family and will be greatly missed.

She is survived by her four children, Gail Sellers of North Adams, Ellen Clarkson of Danvers, Ma., William F. Kolis Jr. and his wife Donna of

Lakewood, OH. and Lynn Herlihy and her husband James of Sinking Spring, Pa.

Nine Grandchildren, Jason Sellers husband of Nissa of Phoenix, Az., Nathan Sellers husband of Julia of University Heights, OH., Kathryn Burne wife of Andrew of Long Beach, CA., Jeffery Clarkson husband of Kimberly of Gloucester, MA., Jonathan Clarkson of Charleston, SC., Sara Butts wife of Brian and Rachel Kolis partner of Geoff Knox all of Lakewood, OH., Megan Asklar wife of Robert of Wayne, Pa. and Molly Burley wife of Daniel of Lansdale, PA.

Twelve Great Grandchildren- Voss and Ravenna Sellers of Phoenix, AZ., James, Bradley, Nathan and Daniel Sellers of University Heights, OH., Anna Burne of Long Beach, CA., Dylan Rose Clarkson of Gloucester, MA., Owen and Catherine Butts of Lakewood, OH., Stella Lynn Asklar of Wayne, PA. and Lillian Jane Burley of Lansdale, PA.

MaryJane was predeceased by her two sons-in-law Phillip Sellers and David Clarkson and her brother Stephen Strauss Jr.

The funeral will be held on Saturday, February 5th at 8:30 A.M. from the PACIOREK FUNERAL HOME, 13 Hoosac St., Adams, followed by a Liturgy of Christian Burial at 9:30 A.M. in St. Stanislaus Kostka Church, Adams.

Burial will follow in St. Stanislaus Cemetery, Adams.

Calling hours are Friday from 4:00 P.M. to 6:00 P.M. at the funeral home.

The family requests in lieu of flowers donations may be made to, Adams Council on Aging, 3 Hoosac St., Adams, Ma. 01220 or to The Alzheimer's Association, 480 Pleasant St. Watertown, Ma. 02472

# Cemetery Details

## St. Stanislaus Cemetery

Orchard St.  
Adams, MA 01220

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 4. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Paciorek Funeral Home  
13 Hoosac Street  
Adams, MA 01220  
(413) 743-0815  
jspaciorek@gmail.com  
<https://www.paciorekfuneral.com/>

## Liturgy of Christian Burial

FEB 5. 9:30 AM (ET)

St. Stanislaus Kostka Church  
Hoosac Street  
Adams, MA 01220

# Tribute Wall

JD

“ We will remember and always appreciate Mary Jane Kolis for her friendly spirit welcoming us to Adams. Our condolences to the family.

*Alvin Ouellet  
Jose Duran*

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**Jose Duran** - February 04, 2022 at 04:18 PM

TP

“ Tammy (Gilman) Perreault lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Jane Kolis



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**Tammy (Gilman) Perreault** - February 04, 2022 at 12:03 PM

TP

“ We are very sorry to hear about the passing of your Mom. Your mom always had' a kind word. My mom loved that they shared the same birthday. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. May the special memories your family made together help you thru this difficult time.  
*Love Aunt Jane Gilman  
Mike & Tammy (Gilman) Perreault*

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**Tammy (Gilman) Perreault** - February 04, 2022 at 12:02 PM

RB

“ *Dear Gail and Family: I was so sorry to learn of your Mother's passing. I considered Mary Jane my Friend. Good Memories and Deep Condolences. - Ralph Brill*

ralph brill - February 02, 2022 at 10:14 AM

JS

“ *Jodi S. purchased a sympathy card for the family of Mrs. Mary Jane Kolis.*



Jodi S. - February 01, 2022 at 08:10 PM

JP

“ *Jodi St Peter lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Jane Kolis*



Jodi St Peter - February 01, 2022 at 07:59 PM