



Philomena H. Messina

May 24, 1926 - February 22, 2008

Mrs. Philomena H. (Gerry) Messina, 81, of 45 Hawley Road, Savoy, died on Friday February 22, 2008, at the North Adams Regional Hospital.

She was born in Readsboro, VT, on May 24, 1926, a daughter of the late Walter and Mary (Ducharme) Gerry. She attended schools in Readsboro. She graduated from the Berkshire Community College Registered Nurse Program on June 3, 1971.

Mrs. Messina last worked as a Registered Nurse at North Adams Regional Hospital for many years until retiring. Earlier she had worked for the former Dargie's Nursing Home and Richardson Rest Home, both North Adams, and the former Sprague Electric Co., North Adams.

She was a communicant of St. Anthony of Padua Church, North Adams. She was a member of TOPS, Habitat for Humanity, and Helpline. She enjoyed knitting, traveling with Dufour Tours, and spending time with her grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Her husband Joseph Messina whom she married on July 26, 1947, died on April 11, 1989.

She is survived by;

1 Son - Joseph J. Messina of North Adams.

3 Daughters - Gloria F. Gero and her husband William of Adams, Rose T. Stevens of Memphis, TN, and Regina A. Miner and her husband Peter of Savoy.

4 Brothers - Walter Gerry of Clifton Park, NY, Joseph Gerry and Roger Gerry,

both of Pownal, VT, and Robert Gerry of Williamstown.

1 Sister - Theresa Buck of Williamstown.

7 Grandchildren, 8 Great Grandchildren, and several nieces, nephews, grandnieces and grandnephews.

The funeral will be held on Tuesday February 26, at 9:00AM from the PACIOREK Funeral Home, 13 Hoosac St. Adams, followed by a Liturgy of Christian Burial at 10:00AM in St. Anthony of Padua Church, North Adams. Burial will follow in Southview Cemetery, North Adams.

Calling hours are Monday from 5:00PM to 8:00PM at the funeral home.

Memorial donations may be made to a charity of the donor's choice through the funeral home.

Tribute Wall



“ *I worked with Nina when she was in critical care at NARH and working nights. She was always very kind. I am sorry for your loss.*
Beth Ziemba

February 28, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ *Dearest Loved Ones- We are so sorry to hear of Mrs. Messina's passing. She was such a caring woman. I will never forget the beautiful sweaters she made for Rachel, Katie, and Kevin that cold, scary winter we lived up north. Our love, thoughts, and prayers are with you now as always.*
With All Our Love -
Laura, Peter, Rachel, Kate, Kevin, PJ, Stone, Kaeley, and the rest of the Murphy-Glover Family

February 25, 2008 at 12:00 AM