



## Effie E. Musella

September 30, 1940 - November 20, 2021

Effie E. Musella 81, of Alcove passed away peacefully after a long illness on November 20, 2021 at St. Peter's Hospital.

Born in Albany, NY on September 30, 1940, she was the daughter of Marjorie Avery and Peter Erwin. Effie grew up in Albany and graduated from Albany high school in 1958. Upon graduation she worked for the NY State Law department and then as chief executive assistant to Dr. James Hepinstall, superintendent of Albany public schools. She also served as clerk to the Board of Education. After working for 11 years she enrolled in college and earned a bachelor's degree in accounting and economics from Russell Sage. In 1975 Effie went to work for NYSUT until her retirement in 2000. During that time she earned her master's degree in business administration from Russell Sage. After retirement Effie helped form the organization of NYSUT Staff Retirees (ONSR) and the development of the newsletter. Effie was a dancer in her younger years and taught ballroom dancing for four years. She loved to travel, cook, read and host holidays dinners at her home in Alcove. She always decorated every room for Christmas.

In addition to her parents, Effie was predeceased by her husband Benjamin Musella who died in 2007 and her dear friend Donald Godsnell. She is survived by her step children Laura Gee, Brian Musella and their families as well as cousins, nieces and nephews. She had many dear friends that were

like her family. A very special thank you to Effie's caregivers who helped in her later years. They were so kind and caring. In Lieu of flowers contributions in Effie's memory made be made to the Mohawk Hudson Humane Society or a charity of your choice.

Funeral services will be held 1:00 pm Friday December 3, 2021 at the Magin & Keegan Funeral Home, 891 Madison Ave. Relatives and friends are invited and may also call at the funeral home Friday after 12 p.m. Interment Albany Rural Cemetery.

# Tribute Wall

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“*Effie Marie was like a sister who didn't happen to live with us, a contemporary of my brother and sister. I was her little pest cousin Bruce. Effie Marie was a dear part of our family throughout her life and was so resilient in facing many physical challenges of her later years. Rest In peace? No, more like, dance again, in Heaven's ballrooms!*

*With love, Rev. Bruce and Judy Carpenter*

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**Rev Bruce Edwin Carpenter** - December 02, 2021 at 10:59 AM

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“*With much sadness, we lose another service sister of NYSUT; Our years of service were similar; mine: Jamestown: 1972-1997; we spoke many times, and I replied to her request for 'goodies' for the ONSR Newsletter. She was a lovely woman. Rest in peace, Effie. You will be missed and remembered for years to come by so many. Sincerely, Joyce R. Kellogg.*

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**Joyce Kellogg** - December 02, 2021 at 05:40 AM

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“*I Have So Many Fond Memories Of You ❤️..I Don't Know Where To Begin..The One Thing That Will Always Stand Out Is The Time I Had To Make You Peanut Butter And Pickle Sandwich And I Almost Threw Up..Lol..I Miss You So Much Effie But Your In A Better Place And Free Of Pain ..Dance Like You Never Danced Before ❤️ Thank You For Teaching Me Not To Let Things Stress Me Out And To Know What I Want Out Of Life ❤️ I Miss You And Love You And So Does Claire 😊 Til We Meet Again 🙏*

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**Rissa Wolosy** - December 01, 2021 at 03:35 PM