



Martha J. Sparkes

June 9, 1940 - February 7, 2025

Martha Jane Sparkes, 84, of Syracuse passed away on Friday, February 7, 2025, at Van Duyn. Born in Syracuse to Charles and Ethel Richardson she was a Teaching Assistant in the Syracuse City Schools for 30 years and after worked at Catholic Charities and with PEACE on their Senior Lunch Program.

Martha was a long-time member of Mission Hope Community Church of Camillus, she enjoyed spending time golfing, cooking, camping with family and her Bunco group. In addition, a favorite pastime of hers was playing many different card and board games.

She was predeceased by her parents, her brother Charles, a niece and nephew.

Martha is survived her spouse of 65 years, Donald; two daughters Linda (John) Drummond of E. Syracuse and Barbara (Bill Pellenz) Sparkes of Chittenango; a son William (Donna) of Baldwinsville; grandchildren Andrew (Alyssa Preuss) Drummond and Aimi Drummond, Caitlyn Sparkes, Ryan (Frances) Sparkes; and great-grandson Anthony Drummond; several nieces and nephews.

Calling hours will be held on Wednesday, February 12th from 4 pm to 7 pm at B.L. Bush & Sons Funeral Home, 10 Genesee St., Camillus, NY. Services will be held on Thursday, February 13th from at 1 pm at Mission Hope Community

Church, 23 Genesee St., Camillus. Private burial will be in White Chapel Memory Gardens, DeWitt.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Mission Hope Community.

Please sign her guestbook at www.BLBUSH.com

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB **12**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

B.L. Bush & Sons Funeral Home
10 W. Genesee Street
Camillus, NY 13031
(315) 672-3400
info@bushfuneralhome.com
<https://www.bushfuneralhome.com/>

Service

FEB **13**. 1:00 PM (ET)

Mission Hope Community
23 Main Street
Camillus, NY 13031
missionhopecommunity@gmail.com

Tribute Wall



“ *Susan Stanton lit a candle in memory of Martha Sparkes*



Susan Stanton - September 16, 2025 at 11:52 AM

MG

“ *I found a Christmas card from Don and Marty tonight and decided to look their name up and came upon this and am saddened to learn of her passing. I was so very glad I got to meet her and Don both when Danny and I came to Syracuse for Myrtle's funeral and when they came to Texas. What a fun and wonderful women she was. Both of your parents welcomed us with open arms.*

Marilyn Gravelle - July 03, 2025 at 02:35 AM

DH

“ *It brings me great sadness to learn of your mom's passing. It is truly a blessing to have known her, there are so many fond memories that I will treasure. My condolences to your family. May you find comfort in knowing that she is at peace and will forever live on in our hearts.*

Dorothy (Graham) Hungerford

Dottie Hungerford - February 16, 2025 at 11:35 AM

KA

“ We are so very sorry on the loss of your dear mom. Kathy & Mickey



Kathy - February 12, 2025 at 11:52 AM

J&

“ Jeannette &Shellby purchased the Blue Caribbean Bouquet for the family of Martha J. Sparkes.



Jeannette &Shellby - February 11, 2025 at 04:27 PM

J&

“ Jeannette &Shellby planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Martha J. Sparkes.

Jeannette &Shellby - February 11, 2025 at 04:27 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Martha J. Sparkes.



February 11, 2025 at 04:07 AM

BA

“ *Barbara-----/- lit a candle in memory of Martha J. Sparkes*



Barbara-----/- - February 10, 2025 at 06:28 PM

MM

Our hearts are saddened as we heard of your loss of Marty. Knowing she is no longer suffering with pain should give you all much peace and comfort. We have such wonderful memories from over these 60 some years. May our Lord bless you all over these days. You are loved. Bruce and Marie Morrison

Marie Morrison - February 12, 2025 at 10:17 AM