



## Thelma Rose Burnham

December 26, 1925 - March 21, 2017

Thelma Rose Burnham, 91, of Elbridge and formerly a long-time resident of Schenectady passed surrounded by her family at St. Anthony on The Commons in Auburn. Thelma Rose was born on December 26, 1925 to Fred and Claraine Mainville of Lachute, Quebec.

Thelma married Mark W. Burnham in 1946 in Ogdensburg, NY. They later settled in Schenectady and together they owned and operated Mark's Mobil in Albany, NY. Mark preceded her in death in 2003. She cherished her relationship with her beloved older sister Leona Kolchuck who preceded Thelma in death in 2013. They were women before their time, and together they lived life to the absolute fullest.

Thelma spent many of her springs, summers and falls in her little camper on the St. Lawrence River. She loved spending time with family and friends there. The St. Lawrence River is what brought Thelma the most joy, and she spent endless days cherishing everything the river had to offer her. She loved interacting with the chipmunks, ducks, geese, fishers and loons, and Thelma could often be found memorializing their presence by painting them on canvas.

Left behind to treasure her memory is her son David Burnham, daughter-in-law Kathleen, grand-daughter Andrea Burnham-Buttenschon, grandson-in-law

Kevin Buttenschon all of Elbridge; a son Gary Burnham, a daughter Marie Britten, son-in-law Randall and grandsons Nicholas and Mark Britten all of Schenectady, NY.

Thelma Rose will be remembered for the unconditional love that she gave to so many, her care-free spirit, beautiful smile, sweet nature, and extraordinary ability to make those around her laugh. Being around Thelma Rose made everyone's day better.

The family would like to thank the staff of St. Anthony on the Commons in Auburn. We are eternally thankful for the love and kindness you showed her.

Services are Private. Arrangements by the B.L. Bush & Sons Funeral Home, Camillus.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Thelma's memory can be made to the CNYSPCA on 5878 E. Molloy Rd, Syracuse, NY 13211.

Please sign the guestbook at [www.BLBUSH.com](http://www.BLBUSH.com)

# Tribute Wall

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“ Thinking of your family at this difficult time. I remember the family dinners we had at Grandma and Grandpa Burnhams. There may not have been many because of travel but they were good times and will never be forgotten.. Thelma will always be remembered for her happy personality. So sorry for your loss from Fay and Loretta Burnham and family.

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**Terry (Burnham) Latimer** - March 28, 2017 at 02:59 PM

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“ I remember going to the lake with KT and Dave and having so much fun with Thelma and the Burnham family! She made us laugh at family gatherings and we will really miss her! So sorry for your loss. She was truly a "Gem"!! 🌹

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**Terri and Alan Thompson** - March 24, 2017 at 12:02 PM