



Mrs. Joan Scheele Ecker

June 17, 1932 - October 16, 2014

Joan Scheele Ecker, of Country Estates, South Cairo, 82, beloved wife and mother went home to be with the Lord on October 16, 2014 at her home. She was born on June 17, 1932 in Brooklyn, NY and is the daughter of the late Helen and Herb Scheele.

She is survived by her loving husband of 62 years Gerard "Jerry" Ecker, sister Doris (Herb) Block, sister in law Joan (John) Marsh, 7 children and their spouses Gerard and Celeste Ecker, Donna and Joe Fenaughty, Ann Marie and Joe Nolte, Dan and Chris Ecker, Maureen and Dave Armstrong, Joe and Bonnie Ecker and Matthew Ecker. She is also survived by 18 grandchildren and 5 great grandchildren, nieces, nephews, and many great friends.

Besides her parents she is predeceased by her brother in law Jim Power, beloved daughter in laws Ann and Vicki Ecker, and her mother in law Angela Ecker, and nephews Jimmy Power and Tim Marsh.

Relatives and friends are cordially invited to attend calling hours at Richards Funeral Home 29 Bross Street, Cairo, on Tuesday, October 21, 2014 from 5-8 PM.

Mass of the Christian Burial will be celebrated on Wednesday, October 22, 2014 at 10:30 AM at St. Patrick's R.C. Church, Athens, with Rev. Fr. Richard Shaw The Celebrant.

Interment will follow in the family plot of The St. Patrick's Cemetery, Catskill, NY.

In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to Community Hospice, 47

Liberty Street, Catskill, NY, 12414 or to The Alzheimer's Association, Pine West Plaza, Building 4, Ste. 405, Washington Ave. Ext. Albany, NY, 12205-5515.

Condolences may be made at www.richardsfuneralhomeinc.net.

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **21**. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Richards Funeral Home - Cairo
P.O. Box # 383
29 Bross Street
Cairo, NY 12413
(518) 622-9503
info@richardsbradysfh.com

Service

OCT **22**. 10:30 AM (ET)

St. Patrick's Church
24 North Washington Street
Athens, NY 12015

Tribute Wall

VA

“ I was the school counselor when you were all in school. Joan and I used to joke because she went to every program for every Ecker child -- literally -- even though she knew she would learn the same things she learned in other programs. She was such a good mom, and wanted to be fair to each child.

Virginia Ambrose - November 14, 2014 at 11:06 AM

MB

“ Marla Karkheck Bednar lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Joan Scheele Ecker



Marla Karkheck Bednar - October 28, 2014 at 11:27 AM

MB

“ I will always have fond memories of your sweet mother and wife. My Mom loved her dearly for many years. She was a true testament of what a Mother should be and your family reflected it in how you all grew up.
My sincere thoughts and prayers are with you all.
Marla Karkheck Bednar

Marla Karkheck Bednar - October 28, 2014 at 11:26 AM

KM

“ To the Ecker family - I am so sorry for your loss. I remember your wife and Mom as a lovely lady who was so proud and supportive of her family. My thoughts are with you. Sincerely, Kriss Monteverd

Kriss Monteverd - October 24, 2014 at 09:09 AM

PP

“ Jerry and family: So very sorry to hear this sad news. Joan and I shared our young lives when we lived in K.P. were best friends and neighbors. My deepest sympathy and empathy to all of you at this time. I will be in touch again Jerry-do not be afraid of your tears they are tribute to the love you shared with each other for all these yrs. I wish words could help but they are empty in any language at this time. Sincerely Peggy Phelan

peggy phelan - October 24, 2014 at 08:12 AM

DR

“ Dear Danny and Family,
I will always have such fond memories of your dear sweet mom. She was truly one of the most kindest and warmest woman I have ever known. Please give my condolences to your father, siblings and their families.
She will forever be in all of your hearts,
Deb Lampard Rugen

Deborah Lampard Rugen - October 23, 2014 at 07:05 PM

NK

“ *Maureen and family. Sorry for your loss. May you and your family find healing in the days to come and remember the happy times you had with your loved one, as you keep her alive in your hearts. A prayer was sent. Nellie Konow*

N Konow - October 23, 2014 at 07:15 AM

KO

“ *I had the pleasure of working with Joan many years ago at ECLC. She always had a smile on her face and gave the students all the love and caring they needed. Prayers to the Ecker family and remember the memories. Kathy Kelly-Owitz*


Kathy Kelly - Owitz - October 21, 2014 at 05:31 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mrs. Joan Scheele Ecker.*



October 20, 2014 at 04:45 PM

 Diane
Valentine

“ *Love and prayers for all the family.*

Diane Valentine

Diane Valentine - October 20, 2014 at 09:13 AM

MB

“ Hugs and prayers during this bittersweet time--

*Alan and Marilyn Bradford
Salt Point, NY*

marilyn bradford - October 19, 2014 at 07:20 PM

AL

“ Alexis And Richard LaMere lit a candle in
memory of Mrs. Joan Scheele Ecker



Alexis and Richard LaMere - October 19, 2014 at 06:18 PM

 Betty
Groth

“ Our hearts fly out to Jerry and the entire
Ecker family. We loved knowing Joan. She
was always so wonderful to us and to our
daughters Susan and Lily. May you cherish
your memories of so many wonderful times.
We will keep her and all of you in our prayers. with love, Betty and
Emil Groth



Betty Groth - October 19, 2014 at 06:13 PM

JN

“ *To Jerry and Family,
We have been blessed to be a part of your extended family. You all,
and our dear Joan, added us on when we first met one another. We
know how much Joan loved each and everyone of you. We send
heartfelt sympathy to you for the loss of Joan here on earth. We
know she is caring for all here and those in her heavenly home. We
loved her and we will miss her but we are always grateful that she
came into our lives and introduced us to all of you. May memories of
special days and years you had her with you sustain you daily.
Our love and prayers,
Gerry and Joan*

Joan & Gerry Nobiling - October 19, 2014 at 04:24 PM



“ *Kerry McGrath lit a candle in memory of Mrs.
Joan Scheele Ecker*



Kerry McGrath - October 19, 2014 at 03:54 PM

DC

“ *David & Eileen Heller and Frank & Sharon
Civitillo purchased the Heavenly Heights Bouquet
for the family of Mrs. Joan Scheele Ecker.*



David & Eileen Heller and Frank & Sharon Civitillo - October
18, 2014 at 10:00 AM