



## Mrs. Ruth W. Armstrong

September 3, 1941 - April 10, 2015

Ruth W. Armstrong, 73, of Groton, New York, went to be with her Lord on Friday, April 10, 2015.

Ruth was born in Ithaca, New York on September 3, 1941, to her parents Frank J. and Florence S. Wrisley. She was a lifelong resident of Ithaca and the surrounding areas. She graduated from Ithaca High School, and continued to pursue her educational goals at Tompkins Cortland Community College.

Ruth was employed with The New York State Electric and Gas Company, and she retired from there after many years of valued service.

Ruth was a talented musician. She loved playing the organ and piano, and she taught private lessons for many years. She enjoyed singing with the Sweet Adelines. She liked going to plays and concerts, and she especially liked sharing her passion for the Performing Arts with her beloved children and grandchildren. She was such a creative person. She worked with Literacy Volunteers. She was active in her church, and gave of her time often, cooking and delivering meals, baked goods and beautiful smiles to people who were sick or home bound. She enjoyed sharing her faith with her grandchildren, and they often accompanied her on these "special deliveries."

She strongly believed in supporting our troops in Iraq, and helped organize Christmas boxes to be sent to our soldiers overseas.

Ruth was proud of our servicemen, and it was her honor to do this.

She was a woman of integrity, and she exemplified this, every day. She looked for places to do good in this world, and she DID IT.

Our lives are forever changed without her in them.

Ruth was predeceased by her dear father Frank J. Wrisley. She is survived by her mother Florence S. Wrisley, her son Mark (Kris) Armstrong, daughter Carrie Armstrong-Moon, step daughter Nancy (Rick) Brownell, grandchildren Kyle and Hannah Armstrong, Tyler Moon, and Laura and Lance Loomis, brothers Frank (Alice) Wrisley and Paul (Carolyn) Wrisley, her dear Aunt Betsy Wrisley, and many cherished nieces and nephews.

A memorial service to celebrate Ruth's life will be held on May 2, 2015 at 1pm at Grace and Holy Spirit Church, 13 Court Street, Cortland New York 13045.

Our family would like to express our gratitude to Dr. Charles Garbo, Dr. Julie Campbell, Marsha Sundman and the outstanding nurses and staff at Cayuga Hematology and Oncology, Dr. Valentina Galyanova, Dr Ruth Crepet and the wonderful nurses and staff at the Guthrie Clinic in Ithaca, Dr. Ralph Ortiz and the awesome nurses and crew at Medical Pain Consultants of Ithaca, Dr. Paul Pitkin, for his knowledge, support and wisdom over the years, the outstanding nurses and caregivers on the 4th floor at Cayuga Medical Center, the Palliative Care team, and Hospice of Ithaca.

You all helped and supported Ruth in so many ways throughout her life, and for these many kindnesses we are eternally grateful.

In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to Groton Ambulance, 108 East Cortland Street, Groton New York, 13073, in Ruth's memory.

# Events

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**MAY**   **Service**                      01:00PM

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13 Court Street, Cortland, NY, US, 13045