



## Natalie K. Higgins

January 15, 2019

Natalie K. Higgins, age 73, of Ashford, CT passed away suddenly on Tuesday, January 15, 2019. Natalie was born on April 16, 1945 in Hartford, CT, to parents Helen Orłowski and Victor Champ. She is survived by her two daughters, Lianne Mcgillicuddy of Lebanon, CT and Jennifer Higgins of Ashford, CT; her significant other of 34 years, Richard Dore of Ashford, CT; seven grandchildren, Jeremy Mcgillicuddy, Alyssa Pacheco, Kayla Pacheco, Ryan Mcgillicuddy, Nicholas Enzor, Daniel Reis and James Reis; she is also survived by her two brothers, Victor Champ and Johnnie Champ; sister Casi Carey; and several nieces, nephews and cousins. Natalie is predeceased by her mother and father, Helen Orłowski and Victor Champ. Natalie graduated from Rockville High School, and then went to nursing school to become a registered nurse through St. Francis Medical School. Natalie worked for Pratt and Whitney and was one of the only women working there. Later, Natalie accepted a position as a supervisor as an underwriting processor at Hartford Steam Boiler, where she worked for 30 years. Natalie was a loving mother, grandmother and sister. She was a beautiful person inside and out. She had a kind heart and would do anything for the people she loved. Natalie loved to draw and had a dream of being a cartoon artist. When she was a child she enjoyed dancing and listening to music with her family. Natalie loved going to the beach, especially Old Orchard and camping with her family. In her spare time she would crochet and do jigsaw puzzles. Natalie's family will always remember her as a loving, selfless, beautiful soul. A memorial service and celebration of her life will be held on Saturday, February 9, 2019 at 11 A.M. at Living Proof Church, 38 Pompey Hollow Rd., Ashford, CT 06278. The service will be followed by a potluck dinner located in the building behind the church, please bring a dish to share with everyone. All are welcome to attend and celebrate Natalie's life. The family would like to thank anyone who has reached out for support, helped with funding, and has kept our family in their prayers. The family of Natalie Higgins would also like to sincerely thank Introigne Funeral Home for their compassion and guidance throughout this difficult time. Memorial contributions can be made at <https://www.gofundme.com/memorial-fund-for-natalie-higgins>



# Comments

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“ Hi gram Although it has been a year since you've been gone, I still have a hard time wrapping my head around it. The days and months that pass do not get easier they get much harder. EVERYTHING is so different when you're not here gram. The holidays and birthdays will never be the same without you. We still celebrate as if you were here with us though. I got a butterfly tattoo done as a tribute for you🦋 while I was getting it I knew you were there with me, probably holding my hand. The butterfly is a symbol of life after death. The caterpillar transforms into a butterfly and becomes free to live a new life. It's a symbol for not only freedom and growth but rebirth. I know in my heart that you have been reborn in heaven and can live your life freely. I want you to know just how much we miss you Gram!!! you were like the glue to our family, and kept everyone together the best you could. We would always go to your house on the holidays as a tradition and you were always there for everything. We all miss you every single day that passes by and I wish I could talk to you one last time. I want to give you a kayla hug or do a puzzle with you!! I want you to make me French toast that only tastes a specific way because you made it. I want to laugh with you about something so silly or talk about things that I need advice for. I miss your smile, your laugh and believe it or not I miss when you call me bug. I love you so much gram and I really hope that heaven is beautiful. I want you to be happy, healthy and safe where ever you are. There is simply not enough words for me to describe how much love I have for you. Just know that we all think about you everyday and miss you more than you can imagine. Hugs and lots of kisses from your bug, xoxo.



**Kayla Pacheco** - March 31 at 03:33 PM