

## **Service Summary**

## Memorial Service

Location: - Not available -

## **Obituary**

**Born:** Saturday, October 13, 1923 **Died:** Monday, February 13, 2017

Madeline G. Serafine, 93, formerly of Exeter passed away on Monday, February 13, 2017, unexpectedly at Wilkes-Barre General Hospital.

Born in Exeter, she was the daughter of the late Charles and Margaret (Petro) Ripa.

She was a graduate of Exeter High School. During WWII Madeline worked as a riveter in support of the U.S. war effort in a manufacturing plant in Millersville, PA. She married her high school sweetheart Virgil Serafine in 1944 while he was serving in the U.S. Navy.

Madeline was a proud homemaker who loved to bake and cook for her family and friends. She was a lifelong member of St. Anthony of Padua Church, Exeter.

She was an independent living resident of Myers Manor at Wesley Village since 2005 where she rode her Jazzie, and had a smile or a wave for everyone. One of her lifelines was the staff at Gerrity's Super Market in West Pittston. Madeline truly appreciated the many friendships she made in life.

She was preceded in death by her husband Virgil in 1998 and her son Gary in 2014.

She is survived by daughter, Madeline Joyce Vitelli (Albert) of Valencia, PA; her sister Marcella Fountain, Kingston; grandchildren Mark Vitelli, Susan Vitelli Sullivan, Amy Serafine, Dana Serafine Rogers, Jeffrey Serafine, Lori Beth Serafine Silvers; twelve great grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews. She also had a great relationship with the staff and residents at Wesley Village.

Funeral arrangements will be private and are entrusted to the care of Gubbiotti Funeral Home, 1030 Wyoming Avenue, Exeter. A memorial mass will be announced at a later date.

To send the family an online expression of sympathy or to share memories, please visit www.gubbiottifh.com.

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