



## Irene "Joyce" Chretien

May 11, 1924 - March 18, 2020

Irene F. "Joyce" (Rudnicki) Chretien, 95, passed away peacefully on Wednesday, March 18, 2020 at Vero of South Hadley Nursing Center, with her loving family at her side. Born May 11, 1924, daughter of the late Alexander and Antonina (Wrzesinska) Rudnicki, she resided in Chicopee for most of her life. Joyce retired as a secretary for the legal department of Spalding Sports after many years of service. Joyce was a communicant of the Basilica of St. Stanislaus, Bishop & Martyr, and served her parish as a Eucharistic Minister and a member of the Rosary Society. She was past Exalted Ruler of the Chicopee Lodge of Elks and a member of the Chicopee Moose Lodge 1849. Joyce was past President of the Ludlow Kiwanis Club and a member of American Legion Post 353. Through the years Joyce was very active with the Holyoke St. Patrick's Parade Committee. Joyce was predeceased in 1993 by her beloved husband, Rene N. Chretien, and is survived by her loving daughter, Donna M. Somppi and husband Jim of Chicopee; cherished grandsons, James Somppi and wife Amy, and Christopher Somppi and wife Carrie; six cherished great-grandchildren, Madison, Alex, Nate, Victoria, Charlotte and Charlie; and caring niece, Alexandra Beeler. She was predeceased by her sister, Anna Beeler. Funeral services and burial were held privately at the convenience of the family. Memorial contributions may be made to the Ministry of Care of St. Stanislaus Basilica, 566 Front St., Chicopee, MA 01013.



# Cemetery Details

## **St. Stanislaus Cemetery**

800 Montgomery St.  
Chicopee , MA 01013

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Worked with Joyce on the Parade Committee. We missed her this year, especially her sense of humor. RIP Joyce*

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**Patti Devine** - March 22, 2020 at 01:11 PM