



Phyllis A. Plifka

June 16, 1935 - April 5, 2026

Phyllis A. Plifka, 90, passed away peacefully on Sunday, April 5, 2026 at Civita Care–Meadowbrook in Granby CT, with loving family at her side. Born in Springfield on June 16, 1935, daughter of the late Stephen E. and Mary V. (Witkowski) Plifka, she was a graduate of Commerce High School. Phyllis completed her first year of college at Westfield State, then went back to school at age thirty-three, earning a Bachelor's Degree from CT State University and a Masters Degree from the University of Hartford. Phyllis worked at Pratt & Whitney for ten years, and retired from the Goodwin School in East Hartford after a thirty-year career. An art teacher and an artist herself, she was an avid gardener and enjoyed her summers at Forest Lake. Phyllis is survived by her loving brother, William Plifka; her niece and six nephews; great nieces and nephews; and one great-great niece and two great-great nephews. She is predeceased by her sister Bernice Consolini and nephew, Glenn Consolini. Funeral services for Phyllis will be held Friday from Kozikowski Funeral Home, 565 Front St., Chicopee, followed by a Mass of Christian Burial at 10AM in St. Stanislaus Basilica. Committal service and burial will follow in St. Stanislaus Cemetery. Calling hours are Friday morning from 8:45-9:45AM. Memorial contributions may be made to the Sisters of Charity, 125 Oakland St., Wellesley Hills, MA 02481.

Cemetery Details

St. Stanislaus Cemetery

800 Montgomery St.
Chicopee, MA

Previous Events

Calling Hour

APR 10. 8:45 AM - 9:45 AM (ET)

Kozikowski Funeral Home
565 Front Street
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Mass of Christian Burial

APR 10. 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Stanislaus Basilica
Chicopee, MA

Tribute Wall

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“ I was lucky to have experienced Miss Plifka in her art room at Goodwin school on the 70's. She inspired me through her art, and her Helen Reddy album playing in the classroom (I am woman!). She was ahead of her time with hip thinking on life and women's independence .
I have thought of her many times in my lifetime and actually sent her a letter to let her know this later in my life.
She will be missed- she was amazing and special and I felt lucky to have known her. I will not forget her.
Be well. What a nice long life she lived.

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