



## Diane Marie Szych

December 17, 1952 - October 4, 2023

Diane Marie Szych, 70, of Hatfield, passed away peacefully on Wednesday, October 4th, 2023, at home with family by her side. She was born December 17, 1952, in Northampton to the late John and Irene (Maciorowski) Szych. She attended Hatfield schools before getting her LPN license from the post graduate course at Smith Vocational. She began her career as a nurse manager at Cozy Corner Nursing Home in Sunderland, then worked at Farren Memorial Hospital. Diane also worked at Hampshire County Nursing Home as an evening supervisor for many years until retiring in 2020 from Highview of Northampton.

Diane was full of life, loved spending time with her granddaughters and great granddaughter. She loved to travel and go shopping with her sister Linda and good friend Sofia Price. Diane enjoyed having a cup of coffee with good friends and family that would visit. She also loved her chickens, 2 cats (Big Kitty and Macaroni), and puppy (Noodles).

Besides her parents, Diane was predeceased by her son Jonathan.

She is survived by her granddaughters Alexandra and Amelia Rybinski of Hatfield; her great granddaughter Savannah Harris; her sister Linda Cook and partner Donnie Tower, brother Michael Szych and wife Lydia all of Hatfield; her nieces Jennifer Cook Johnson and husband Travis of Northampton, Kate Cook of Amherst, Elizabeth Cook (John Dowling) of Somerville, Lisa Szych of Springfield, and nephew Michael Szych, Jr. of Hatfield; daughter Sarah Szych of Toronto, Canada. She also leaves many extended family members and

friends.

The family would like to thank the staff at Cooley Dickinson VNA and Hospice for the attention and comfort they provided.

Her burial and committal service will be Saturday May 18, 2024, at 10 AM in Calvary Cemetery, Hatfield. DROZDAL FUNERAL HOME of Northampton has been entrusted with her services.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Diane's name can be made to: Cooley Dickinson VNA & Hospice, 168 Industrial Dr., Northampton, MA 01060, [giving.vnaandhospice.org](https://giving.vnaandhospice.org) or to Dakin Humane Society at <https://www.dakinhumane.org/tribute-donate>.

For more information or to leave the family a personal condolence, please visit [DrozdalFuneralHome.com](https://DrozdalFuneralHome.com).

# Previous Events

## Burial

MAY 18. 10:00 AM - 10:20 AM (ET)

Calvary Cemetery  
Bridge St.  
Hatfield, MA 01038

# Tribute Wall

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“ Kelly, Jim, Ryan, Matt & Erin (Rogalski) purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Diane Marie Szych.



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**Kelly, Jim, Ryan, Matt & Erin (Rogalski)** - May 16, 2024 at 10:19 AM

MH

“ I am so sad to learn of Diane's passing! We were friends long ago when our kids were small and we both worked at the San. We emailed each other long letters several times a year and when I emailed her on her birthday this year and didn't hear from her, I had a bad feeling. So sorry, Linda and Mike and your families and especially to beloved granddaughters and great-granddaughter Savannah.  
Marion Huxley

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**Mimi Huxley** - December 25, 2023 at 06:40 PM

WS

“ She was the most brilliant nurse I have ever had the pleasure to work with. I learned so much from her. Diane will be greatly missed.

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**Wendy Sutherland** - October 27, 2023 at 07:46 PM

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“ *What a great smile she had. Loved her devotion to her patients and her honesty when it came down to safety for the patient as she was a true advocate for them vs administration. You be safe Diane and we got this covered. No worries now. God bless family.*

*Laureen Urekew LPN  
Pittsburg, Nh*

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**Laureen Urekew** - October 20, 2023 at 11:03 AM

NK

“ *I'm so sorry to hear of Diane's passing. She was a wonderful and dedicated nurse, co-worker and friend. My sincere condolences to her family.*

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**Nancy Kopec** - October 17, 2023 at 02:44 PM