



## Claudette Matuszewski (nee Bucki)

August 24, 1952 - April 17, 2026

It is with great sadness and broken hearts that we announce Claudette Matuszewski (nee Bucki), passed away suddenly on Friday, April 17, 2026. She was born in Buffalo New York on August 24, 1952, the daughter of the late Raymond Bucki and the late Veronica (nee Olszewski) Bucki.

Claudette is predeceased by her beloved husband Sylvester "Sal" Matuszewski. Dear fiancé of Chester "Chet" Ahr. Loving sister of Deena (Dennis) Carpenter. She was adored by her nieces and nephews; David Carpenter, Melissa (Daniel) Brown, and Marc (Laura) Carpenter and loved by her great nieces and nephews; Kaila Brown, Marlena Brown, Stephanie (Patrick Bain) Palazzo, Courtney Brown, Marc Carpenter, Jr. and Kristina (Matthew) Childerhose. Claudette is also survived by Chet's sisters; Nancy (Donald) Butzek, Deborah (William) Ahr-Caldwell and Sheila (Melvyn) Rosegarden. She was a special cousin to Paulette (late Ronald) Stasiak, and Gerald Olszewski. Claudette is also survived by many dear cousins, extended family and a large circle of friends who were all like family to her.

Claudette had a 45-year career working for Erie County as an Administrative Assistant retiring from the department of senior services.

She loved dancing and adored cats as well as traveling. Her traveling adventures included trips to Hawaii, Las Vegas, California as well as other southwest states. She was the past Vice President of the Cheektowaga Travel Club. She graduated from Bishop O'Hern High School. Claudette had an infectious smile and warm personality which was larger than life. Her

presence made everyone feel welcome. She was always ready to help anyone in need and graciously shared her time, talents and love with everyone who knew her. Although her presence will be missed terribly, her legacy of family, love and friendship along with her spirit and zest for life will always be cherished by her family and everyone who shared in her life.

FAMILY AND FRIENDS ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO CLAUDETTE'S CELEBRATION OF LIFE ON SATURDAY, JUNE 6, 2026, FROM 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM AT ILLIO DiPAOLO'S RESTAURANT AND BANQUET FACILITY, 3785 SOUTH PARK AVENUE BLASDELL NEW YORK 14219 (716) 825-3675. A SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE WILL TAKE PLACE AT 1:00 PM AND WILL BE OFFICIATED BY CHAPLAIN ROBERT FINK. PLEASE NOTE: IF YOU PLAN ON ATTENDING CLAUDETTE'S CELEBRATION OF LIFE, KINDLY TEXT YOUR RSVP, (THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE ATTENDING), TO 1-870-500-7000 NO LATER THAN 4:00 PM ON WEDNESDAY, JUNE 3, 2026, TEXT IS THE PREFERRED WAY TO RSVP

Claudette's family would sincerely like to acknowledge your love, support and concern at this time.

The Kevin M. Mason Funeral Home is serving Claudette's family.

Kevin M. Mason Funeral Home 154 Weimar Street Buffalo, NY 14206. (716) 362-0199 Fax: (716) 462-5355 email [kevinmmason@yahoo.com](mailto:kevinmmason@yahoo.com). [www.kevinmmasonfuneralhome.com](http://www.kevinmmasonfuneralhome.com)

# Previous Events

## Family and Friends

JUN 6. 10:00 AM.

Illio DiPaolo's Restaurant

## Celebration of Life

JUN 6. 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM (Est)

Illio DiPaolo's Restaurant and Banquet Facility  
3785 South Park Road  
Blasdell, NY 14219

*Claudette's Celebration of Life will take place on Saturday, June 6, 2026, at Illio DiPaolo's Restaurant and Banquet Facility 3785 South Park Avenue Blasdell New York 14219. The Celebration of Life will be from 10:00 am -2:00 pm with a Service of Remembrance taking place at 1:00 pm and officiated by Chaplain Robert Fink.*

## Service of Remembrance

JUN 6. 1:00 PM (ET)

Kevin M Mason Funeral Home  
154 Weimar Street  
Buffalo, NY 14206  
(716) 362-0199  
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<http://www.kevinmmasonfuneralhome.com>

# Tribute Wall

NK

“ I am so sorry to hear about Claudette. My condolences and prayers to her family and friends. Claudette was a beautiful soul. RIP Claudette.

Nancy Kozel - June 01 at 07:31 AM

JH

“ Claudette was a beautiful person, inside and out. She was thoughtful and considerate and fun to be around. She will be missed. My heart goes out to her sister, Deena , who is a beloved friend of mine. My condolences to Chet, too as well as the rest of her family and friends. RIP dear friend.



Judy Hatrick - May 03 at 03:02 PM

KF

“ To Deena, Dennis, Chet and all Claudette's family we would like to extend our deepest condolences to you all in the sudden passing of Claudette. In time, may you all find some peace, solace and comfort in all the beautiful memories that you cherish so much. Her legacy and love will be carried on through each of you and her friends. You have our support and we are keeping each of you close in thought and prayers at this time. Sending sincerest condolences. Kevin M. Mason Funeral Home family; Kevin M. Mason, Roman J. Miszewski and Catherine A. Taberski.



Kevin M. Mason Funeral Home family - April 21 at 06:05 AM

FS

*My condolences and prayers to the entire family. She will be missed.*

**Frank Sandor** - April 21 at 10:50 AM

CM

*My deepest condolences to the family of Claudette keeping you close in my thoughts and prayers 🙏.*

**Cindi McGowan** - April 21 at 11:39 AM

KB

*Auntie Claudette was a beautiful person. She will greatly be missed.*

**Kaila Brown** - April 22 at 09:25 PM

RM

*Our thoughts and prayers go out to Chet and Claudette's family. She was a wonderful person. May you find comfort in the support of family and friends*

*Robert and Debra Mekeel*

**Robert and Debra Mekeel** - April 27 at 09:05 AM

NB

*Our deepest sympathy to Chet and Claudette's family. She was truly a beautiful person inside and out. We welcomed her into our family as a sister and friend. She was fun, compassionate, supportive, kind, loving, and the list goes on. May you find comfort knowing she is in heaven with the saints and looking forward to reunions with her loved ones.*

*Nancy and Don Butzek*

**Nancy M Butzek** - April 27 at 10:33 AM

JJ

*My deepest condolences to Claudette's family. Claudette and Chet travelled with me on many trips. Her sister Deena also joined me. Claudette was a special kind of person. She will be missed.*

**Judy Jones** - May 23 at 05:12 PM

MM

*My deepest condolences are being sent to Chet and Claudette's loving family. I worked with Claudette for 13 yrs in the county. She welcomed me to the department upon arrival. We conversed several times about our travels and our beloved cats. (Claudette appeared to have better*

*behaved cats than one of mine). Always upbeat, dressed professional, and kind to every soul she met..I'm so sorry you left this planet too soon!!!*

*RIP Claudette..*

*Again sending my deepest sympathyes...to beloved Chet, and your family*

*Sincerely,*

*Margo L. Maute*

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**Margo Maute** - June 06 at 09:01 AM