



Mrs. Sophia Masich Balmer

December 31, 1919 - December 31, 2018

Sophia Masich Balmer, 99, of Alpharetta, Georgia, passed away December 31, 2018, in Alpharetta. She was born December 31, 1919, to Michael and Milica Masich of Girard, Ohio. She graduated from Girard High School in 1938 and earned a Bachelor of Science degree in home economics from Ohio University in 1943.

She married her college sweetheart, John Balmer, in 1944, and they lived in Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio, for 40 years before relocating to Alpharetta in 1988. Sophia is survived by her sister, Mary Masich of McLean, Virginia, and three children: Janet McGraw and husband Paul of Roswell, Georgia, Sandra Balmer of Alpharetta, and Mark Balmer and wife Stacy of Damascus, Maryland. She is also survived by grandchildren Mike McGraw and wife Rachel of Cumming, Georgia, Dan McGraw and wife Jennifer and John McGraw all of Atlanta, Nicholas Balmer and wife Kelly of Gaithersburg, Maryland, and Emily Balmer of Damascus, and four great-grandchildren, Eden and Alex McGraw and Maxwell and John McGraw. She was preceded in death by her daughter Susan Knight in 1987 and her beloved husband John in 2011.

Sophia was a lifelong homemaker who loved her family fiercely. She was a great teacher and mentor, fun-loving and enthusiastic in good times and strong and stoic in others. Her Christian faith was important to her. She also loved music and was a member of Sweet Adelines chorus groups in Ohio and in Roswell.

A funeral service will be held at Northside Chapel Funeral Directors at 11:00 A.M. Friday, January 4th. The family will receive friends for one hour prior to the service. A private burial service will be held in Ohio at a later date.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 4. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Northside Chapel Funeral Directors & Crematory
12050 Crabapple Road
Roswell, GA

Funeral Service

JAN 4. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

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Roswell, GA

Tribute Wall



“ *Mrs. Sophia Masich Balmer*

October 08, 2022 at 11:37 AM



“ *Please accept my family's sincere condolences on the loss of your dear loved one Mrs. Balmer. May you find comfort in fond memories of her, and peace in God's assured promise to awaken those asleep in death to perfect health and conditions under his new Earthly government.*

Greene Family - January 11, 2019 at 04:24 PM



“ *R. Jahmal Overton purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mrs. Sophia Masich Balmer.*



R. Jahmal Overton - January 04, 2019 at 01:30 AM



“ *Joan Larson & Ken Perrotta purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Mrs. Sophia Masich Balmer.*



Joan Larson & Ken Perrotta - January 03, 2019 at 05:39 PM

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“ *Marjie and Pat O’ Connell purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Mrs. Sophia Masich Balmer.*



Marjie and Pat O’ Connell - January 03, 2019 at 10:56 AM

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“ *With love, your LD4 family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Mrs. Sophia Masich Balmer.*



With love, your LD4 family - January 02, 2019 at 01:46 PM

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“ *Sophia was truly a one of a kind person. She helped me many times with her wisdom, caring and support. May she rest in the arms of our Lord and Savior free from her earthly body’s failings.*

With love and prayers,

Debbie Muntean

debbie muntean - January 02, 2019 at 08:25 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mrs. Sophia Masich Balmer.*



January 01, 2019 at 09:00 PM