



Marion Frances McCutchen-Rivers

January 11, 1943 - February 12, 2021

Marion F. Carlow McCutchen Rivers (78), beloved wife of Everett A. Rivers (“Doc”), entered into eternal life on Friday, February 12, on what was the 30th anniversary of her own father’s death. This was after a long illness while being cared for at home by family. Born on January 11, 1943, she was the daughter of the late John F. and Grace McNab Carlow, and was raised in Green Island. Marion attended Heatly High School and was valedictorian of her graduating class.

Marion was blessed to have two great loves in her life. At the age of 18 and on December 23, 1961, she married her high school sweetheart Marl W. McCutchen Jr., a Staff Sgt. in the United States Air Force. From that union came a son and a daughter, and for a time, they were stationed in Myrtle Beach, SC and Biloxi, MS. However, at the age of 24, Marion became a widow when Marl was killed while serving in Vietnam in 1967.

From there, she remained in Green Island where she was provided support from family in raising her two small children. Years later, she met Doc while he was touring with his showband. They later married and together brought another son into the family. It was at that point they moved to Cohoes where they raised their family and where they have resided for the last 45 years. Marion and Doc would have celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary on April 11.

Marion’s main focus in life was always her family. However, she was employed as a secretary in a law office and for the Albany County Health Dept. in maternal child health. For many years, Marion and Doc passionately provided in-home personal care services for patients and some, they even welcomed and cared for in their own home. Marion also co-owned and operated Java Jazz Cafe Home of the Seattle Sub and Pita Co. in Delmar for seven years with her family.

Marion loved people, and found great joy in serving others. She cherished her family and was so proud of her children and grandchildren. Marion was the loving mother of Marla McCutchen (Ray) Stocker of Latham, Jeffrey (Janet) McCutchen of Loudonville, and Keith (Patricia) Rivers of Voorheesville. She was the adored grandmother of Christopher (Meaghan) Stocker, Trisha Stocker, Jack and Jenna McCutchen, and Krista and Paige Rivers. She was the sister of the late Joyce Carlow, Grace Lennon, and John F. Carlow Jr. She is also survived by many nieces and nephews.

The family wishes to thank The Eddy VNRA for the wonderful care that their nursing, rehab and aide departments provided to Marion, particularly her nurses Laya and Diane and her aide Karen. Also, thank you to Carol Fagan who freely gave of her time and assistance when Marion and her family needed her. Lastly, the family would also like to thank Dr. Kevin Costello who gave Marion the best possible medical care, and provided her with dignity and respect in the comfort of her own home.

At Marion's request and due to COVID-19 precautions, there will be no calling hours; there will, however, be a private funeral service officiated by Rev. Nicholas TeBordo for immediate family only. Interment will be at St. Agnes Cemetery, Cohoes. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

Cemetery

St. Agnes Cemetery, Cohoes

79 St Agnes Hwy

Cohoes, NY, 12047