



## Ruth E. Alvalle-Bussa

August 2, 1963 - July 11, 2025

Ruth E. Alvalle-Bussa of Woodbury, New York, passed away peacefully on July 11, 2025, at the age of 61, after a lengthy and courageous battle with Alzheimer's disease and cancer. She was the beloved wife of Michael Bussa and a devoted mother to Eliana (William) Puntarich. Ruth was also a loving stepmother to Emily Bussa and Jonathan Bussa and, a proud and adoring grandmother to her precious granddaughter, Salem. Ruth will be deeply missed by her siblings—Roy (Julia) Alvalle, and Millie Alvalle—who will forever hold her memory close.

Ruth was an accomplished and passionate social worker, nature enthusiast, and lover of animals. Her kindness, strength, and loving spirit touched the hearts of all who knew her.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Ruth's memory may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, a cause close to her heart.

# Previous Events

## Sunday Visitation

JUL 13. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

A.L. Jacobsen Funeral Home, Inc.  
1380 New York Avenue  
Huntington Station, NY 11746  
(631) 423-2185  
jacobsenfuneral@gmail.com

## Mass of Christian Burial

JUL 14. 9:45 AM (ET)

St. Patrick R.C. Church  
400 West Main Street  
Huntington, NY 11743

## Private Cremation

JUL 14 (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *A.L. Jacobsen Funeral Home, Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of Ruth E. Alvalle-Bussa*



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**A.L. Jacobsen Funeral Home, Inc.** - July 12, 2025 at 01:54 PM

RE

“ *Rebecca lit a candle in memory of Ruth E. Alvalle-Bussa*



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**Rebecca** - July 21, 2025 at 05:25 PM

MS

“ *Mike Schoonmaker planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ruth E. Alvalle-Bussa.*

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**Mike Schoonmaker** - July 16, 2025 at 07:43 PM

MS

“ *Mike Schoonmaker purchased the Country Basket et Blooms for the family of Ruth E. Alvalle-Bussa.*



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**Mike Schoonmaker** - July 16, 2025 at 07:43 PM

MC

“ *Magie, Nick & Chris purchased the Cheeseboard Gourmet Gift for the family of Ruth E. Alvalle-Bussa.*



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**Magie, Nick & Chris** - July 15, 2025 at 05:52 PM

MA

“ *Ellie & I shared so many memories since we were friends from Church back in the earlier 1980's. We spent many nights at her place, having a glass of red wine talking about our lives & reminiscing of all our experiences through the years & always laughing (her special trait). We had the type a friendship that withstood time and distance; a friendship that was special like Elaine herself. She was a loving friend a kind soul who was always helping others in need. Ellie you will most definitely be missed. RIP*

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**Magie** - July 15, 2025 at 05:33 PM

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“ *Elly and I first met in 1996 and spent a lot of wonderful time together with her friends. Elly and her friends showed me the most beautiful beaches, together we found the best lobster.*

*I live in Europe, but despite the distance we never lost touch. Almost exactly a year ago, we were lucky to meet again with Elly and Michael and we spend a beautiful day together.*

*We are deeply saddened and can hardly believe that such a good person had to leave us so soon. The world would be a much better place if more people were like our very dear friend Ruth Ellaine ! Kind, generous, and full of warmth.*

*We will miss her a lot ! Our best wishes also for my dear Elliana and Michael and their families !*

*We think about you a lot !*

*Armin & Family (Nicole, Charlotte, Clara)*

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**Armin Armin** - July 14, 2025 at 02:56 AM

MA

“ *In Loving Memory of My Sister, Ruth*

*Ruth was more than a sister — she was my confidante, my constant, and my heart’s quiet strength. I will always remember her laughter, which could light up any room, and her incredible gift for making people feel heard and loved. Whether it was a simple cup of tea at the kitchen table or one of our long walks where we talked about everything and nothing, Ruth had a way of making ordinary moments feel sacred.*

*She had such a generous spirit always the first to help, to comfort, or to simply be present when you needed someone. I feel incredibly blessed to have shared life with her, and I carry her kindness, her wisdom, and her love with me always.*

*Rest peacefully, Ruth. You are deeply missed, but your light will forever shine in our hearts.*

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**Millie Alvalle** - July 13, 2025 at 01:48 PM

SC

“ *My cousin was beautiful and fun to be around*



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**Sara Cruz-Laborda** - July 12, 2025 at 06:43 PM

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*My beautiful cousin was always fun to be around Love you always in my heart.*

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**Sara Cruz-Laborda** - July 12, 2025 at 06:45 PM



“ *Treasured Lilies Spray* was purchased for the family of Ruth E. Alvalle-Bussa.



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July 12, 2025 at 09:27 AM