



## Constance Klimash

April 11, 1934 - March 26, 2021

On Friday, March 26, 2021, Constance Klimash, passed away peacefully at home at the age of 86 and is now reunited in heaven with her husband, Walter, of 65 years.

Connie was born on April 11, 1934 in Endicott, NY to Peter and Irene (Nicholas) Hronis. Connie was a graduate of Union Endicott, Class of 1952. She attended Harper College and Ridley Lowell. Throughout her career as an Administration Assistant, she worked for several businesses such as General Electric, BAC Insurance Agency, and Bearsch Compeau and Associates.

On October 17, 1954, Connie married the love of her life, Walter and together they raised two daughters. Connie had a life long passion for sewing. She could be found burning the midnight oil making clothes for her children, her grandchildren and herself, as well as sewing home furnishings such as draperies, bedding and upholstery. Connie participated in several bowling leagues, finishing up on a team alongside her mother and sister. Connie and Walt shared a passion for reading and golfing. Upon retiring to Myrtle Beach, SC in 1998, she joined weekly leagues where she achieved her once in a lifetime hole in one.

Connie was a faithful worshipper of the Dormition of the Virgin Mary Russian Orthodox Church in Binghamton, NY and St John's Greek Orthodox Church in

Myrtle Beach, SC. She was an active church member, enjoying many years as member and treasurer of Philoptochos, served as Church Hall Manager for banquets and weddings, and relished her role in many Fall and Greek Festivals.

Connie embraced her Greek heritage. Combining it with Walt's Russian Orthodox traditions, she created memorable family holiday gatherings. She was happiest when she had those she loved most celebrating together.

Connie is survived by her two daughters, Kris Frey (Len) and Karen Soucie (David). She is also survived by her sister, Joanne Battaglini. She was so proud of her 6 grandchildren and adored her 11 great grandchildren. She will be missed by Gary Klimash and Marsha Wisser.

A funeral service will be held on Tuesday, March 30 at 11:00am at St John's Greek Orthodox Church, Myrtle Beach. Burial to follow at Ocean Woods Cemetery.

The family would like to express their deepest thanks and appreciation to Crescent Hospice in Murrells Inlet, SC. In lieu of flowers, please consider donations to Crescent Hospice or the Alzheimer's Association.

# Cemetery Details

## Ocean Woods Cemetery

2408 S. Kings Hwy  
Myrtle Beach, SC 29577

# Previous Events

## Funeral Ceremony

MAR **30**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

St. John the Baptist Greek Orthodox Church  
3301 33rd Ave N  
Myrtle Beach, SC 29577

# Tribute Wall



“ *Goldfinch Funeral Services created a Tribute Video in memory of Constance Klimash*



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**Goldfinch Funeral Home** - March 30, 2021 at 09:09 AM

SS

“ *A lifetime of memories to share about this wonderful lady, all of which stand out. From helping me to act more professionally at my job to sharing her vaunted 3-wood with my wife on our first golf outing with Connie and Walt at Catatunk Golf Club and opening their condo in Myrtle beach for us to use.*

*Peace be with all of her family. We will cherish those memories forever.*

*Nancy & Steve Semcho*

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**Steve Semcho** - April 01, 2021 at 08:45 AM

CL

“ *Seeing Connie and Joanne together was a real treat and a pleasure to watch. I recall a few times where Joanne would say something and Connie would just roll those big eyes of hers. We'd follow it all by a laugh.*

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**Cathy Linta-Leader** - March 30, 2021 at 07:20 AM



“ *Your Grandchildren purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Constance Klimash.*



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**Your Grandchildren** - March 29, 2021 at 03:39 PM



“ *Your Great Grandchildren purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Constance Klimash.*



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**Your Great Grandchildren** - March 29, 2021 at 03:28 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Constance Klimash.*



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March 29, 2021 at 09:54 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Constance Klimash.*



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March 29, 2021 at 08:18 AM

DS

“ 2 files added to the album Memories Album



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**David Soucie** - March 28, 2021 at 04:54 PM

TM

“ Dear Kris & Karen and entire Klimash family,  
I am sending my love and hugs and continued  
Prayers to you all. I was sadder to hear of the loss of your mom &  
also how you truly loved her to the end of her life and always will..,  
she was a special lady and I hold many fond childhood memories of  
her & your family & will always hold you close in my heart. May God  
give you what you need in the moments...  
My love always  
Terri

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**terri murphy** - March 28, 2021 at 02:28 PM

MW

“ Connie may have been my brother’s wife..but she was truly a sister to me...we just connected...and from even the earliest of ages she just loved me unconditionally..What a gift ! She was someone who was there for me ALWAYS.....just ALWAYS...offering not only her ❤️ but her wisdom, her spirit....her advice whether she thought I needed it or not. She took me shopping for my first bra. 😊...she taught me to sew...which even to this day I still do.....it was because of Connie and Walt that I met the love of my life, who Connie nicknamed “Mr. Lovely!” She was a treasure to me and I would often turn to her.....she and Walt opened their home to us for several months when Kevin was less than a year old....she even set up a crib for him! She got me through motherhood...my sweet Kori being in intensive care for two weeks when she was born...I don’t know what I would have done without Connie...then the death of my own mother...the hardest time of my life...Connie was the one who cradled me ...she guided me through Paul’s numerous work moves...loving me and guiding me..listening to me....I treasured her love..I treasured her....she was ALWAYS there - sharing my joys..my sorrows..laughter and tears.... sooooo grateful God gave her to me ..and He placed a love for you, my dear Connie, that will ALWAYS be deep in my ❤️ ! I miss you already! But I envision you and Walt reunited again and through my tears, my heart smiles! God speed Connie and God sit on your pillows 🙏 I love you dearly ❤️ ....Marsh

marsha wisser - March 28, 2021 at 12:31 PM

JC

We only knew Connie for a short period, but we were very struck by her wonderful smile and sweet personality. She had a great sense of humor. Gloria always saw her wearing a hat. That was one of her signature looks. God bless her in heaven as she is reunited with her husband. Love, John and Gloria Cartaina

John J Cartaina - March 28, 2021 at 07:22 PM