



Obituary

Born: Thursday, October 25, 1928

Died: Saturday, February 15, 2020

PORT ALLEGANY- Nyfodora (Nora) Bitchakas, passed away peacefully Saturday, February 15, 2020, in Clearwater, FL.

Born in 1928 to Konstantinos and Agnes Stathis in Siatista, Greece, she immigrated to the United States in 1954 with her husband, Demetrios (James) Bitchakas, who preceded her in death.

Nora and her late husband owned the Hotel Butler in Port Allegany, PA. She was deeply involved in the community and well known regionally for her home-made famous Texas Hot sauce. She lived there until 2007, then moved to Clearwater, FL.

She was the loving mother of Argery Bitchakas Cooke of Alexandria, VA; Peter Bitchakas of Pinellas Park, FL; proud of her grandchildren, Teddi Cooke, Dustin Cooke, Nick Bechakas, Alexa Bechakas, Kyle Bechakas, and Brett Bechakas and great-grandchildren, Zion, Cecelia, and Mason James; and will be missed by her nephews, family, and friends in Greece.

Nora overcame obstacles during WWII through her strength and courage. Her experiences led her to always run to the rescue with love. She modeled compassion for family and friends, enjoyed offering home-made Greek pastries and meals, created intricate handicrafts, and lit up a room with her infectious spirit and stories during myriad occasions, especially those where she was motivated by Greek music and dancing. She was a devout member of the Greek Orthodox Church.

Friends will be received from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Saturday, February 29, 2020 in the Switzer Funeral Home, Port Allegany, PA. A graveside service will follow at 1:00 p.m. in the Fairview Cemetery, Port Allegany, with Rev. Father Soterios Rousakis officiating,

Memorials may be sent in Nora's memory to Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church, 409 Old Coachman Rd, Clearwater, FL 33765, to St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church, 15 Francis St., Jamestown, NY 14701, or to a charity of the donor's choice.

Local arrangements are under the direction of Switzer Funeral Home, Port Allegany, PA.

Condolences can be made to: Argery B. Cooke
9109 Cherrytree Dr.
Alexandria, VA. 22309

Service Summary

Visitation

10:00 AM to 12:00 PM, Sat Feb 29, 2020

Switzer Funeral Home

77 Willow St
Port Allegany, Pennsylvania 16743

Graveside Service

1:00 PM Sat Feb 29, 2020

Fairview Cemetery

Broad St.
Port Allegany, PA 16743