



Mrs. Eleanor Lorraine Bellerose

August 20, 1927 - February 16, 2026

Mrs. Eleanor Lorraine Bellerose (née Marion), age 98, passed away peacefully on February 16, 2026 with family by her side, in The Villages, FL. Born August 20, 1927, in Cohoes, NY, Eleanor's life was marked by devotion to her family, a love of the outdoors, and a spirit of community that touched all who knew her.

Growing up in Cohoes and later making Clifton Park, NY her home she built a loving family with her husband Francis. Together they raised their children and created a home filled with warmth and laughter. Thirty-seven years ago, Eleanor and Francis moved to The Villages, Florida, where they embraced a new chapter surrounded by friends and sunshine.

Eleanor is survived by her devoted children: Virginia Utiguard of Okanagan, WA; David Bellerose of The Villages, FL; Marie Ellen Poland of Midland, TX; Susan Ward and her husband Doug of Schenectady, NY; Julie Ann Lindner and her husband Jim of Spotsylvania, VA; Cathleen Bellerose and her life partner Peter of Palm Coast, FL; Jo'Ann Godshall and her husband David of LaMoyne, PA; and Ruth Hartley and her husband Rich of Clifton Park, NY. Her legacy continues through her 24 grandchildren, 23 great-grandchildren, and one great-great-grandchild.

She is predeceased by her beloved husband of 61 years, Francis Bellerose;

twin children Mary and Joseph; sisters Pearl Jolicoeur and Dorothy Breski; brother Armond Marion; and six grandchildren.

Eleanor's zest for life was evident in everything she did. She found joy in the outdoors—hiking wooded trails, camping under the stars, snowmobiling across winter landscapes, riding four-wheelers with family members young and old, and gardening. She was also an avid golfer who relished time spent on the green. At home, Eleanor's creativity shone through in her sewing, needlepoint, and quilt projects—each stitch a testament to her patience and care.

Her kindness was legendary among those who had the pleasure to know her. Eleanor offered a warm welcome to friends old and new alike. Her gentle nature made every gathering brighter. Family gatherings were especially dear to Eleanor's heart; she delighted in the laughter of grandchildren and great grandchildren visiting or playing nearby. The wonder brought by each new generation filled her with pride and happiness.

Beyond family life, Eleanor was deeply involved in her community. She played an active role in the Knights of Columbus Women's Auxiliary where she forged lasting friendships through service. As a member of the New Yorkers Club in The Villages, she celebrated shared roots with fellow transplants from up north. Her faith guided much of what she did—she served as a Eucharistic Minister with dedication and grace.

Eleanor's life was defined by compassion for others—a trait that inspired those around her to lead with kindness themselves. Her legacy lives on not only through the generations she nurtured but also through the countless lives she touched along the way.

May Eleanor Lorraine Bellerose be remembered for the love she gave so

freely—the laughter shared on summer days outdoors or quiet moments spent sewing gifts for loved ones—and may those memories bring comfort to all who mourn her passing.

A viewing will be held at Beyers Funeral Home, Lady Lake, FL March 5th from 2 - 4 pm. Funeral mass will be held at St Timothy Catholic Church, The Villages, FL, on Friday, March 6, 2026 at 10:00am followed by interment at the Florida National Cemetery, Bushnell, FL at 12:30pm. A Celebration of Life will be held at the Saddlebrook Recreation Center, The Villages from 3:30- 6:30 pm.

Previous Events

Viewing

MAR 5. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Beyers Funeral Home & Crematory - Lady Lake
134 N US Highway 441
Lady Lake, FL 32159
(352) 753-4444

Funeral Mass

MAR 6. 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Timothy Catholic Church
1351 Paige Pl
Lady Lake, FL 32159

Burial Service

MAR 6. 12:30 PM (ET)

Florida National Cemetery
6502 SW 102nd Ave
Bushnell, FL 33513-8914
(352) 793-7740

Celebration of Life

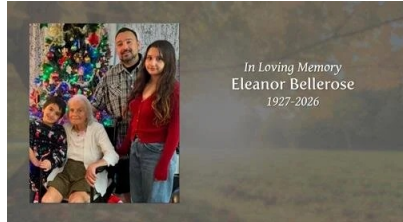
MAR 6. 3:30 PM - 6:30 PM (ET)

Saddlebrook Recreation Center
3010 Saddlebrook Lane
The Villages, FL 32162

Tribute Wall



“ *Beyers Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mrs. Eleanor Lorraine Bellerose*



Beyers Funeral Home - March 04 at 02:15 PM

JJ

“ *John and Renee Jolicoeur planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mrs. Eleanor Lorraine Bellerose.*

John and Renee Jolicoeur - March 04 at 01:30 PM

JJ

“ *John and Renee Jolicoeur purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Mrs. Eleanor Lorraine Bellerose.*



John and Renee Jolicoeur - March 04 at 01:30 PM

TF

“ *The Hartley family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mrs. Eleanor Lorraine Bellerose.*

The Hartley family - February 28 at 03:24 PM

TF

“ *The Hartley family purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Mrs. Eleanor Lorraine Bellerose.*



The Hartley family - February 28 at 03:24 PM

DV

“ *Doris Bellerose Voigt purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of Mrs. Eleanor Lorraine Bellerose.*



Doris Bellerose Voigt - February 27 at 06:21 PM

M#

“ *Ma-lah-lah #3 planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mrs. Eleanor Lorraine Bellerose.*

Ma-lah-lah #3 - February 27 at 05:34 PM

M#

“ *Ma-lah-lah #3 purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Mrs. Eleanor Lorraine Bellerose.*



Ma-lah-lah #3 - February 27 at 05:34 PM



“ Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mrs. Eleanor Lorraine Bellerose.



February 22 at 06:57 PM



“ I remember her many outings to Montgomery Wards in Menands. Her shopping the fabric section and the bargain floor. We always stopped at the coffee shop so she could have a cup while we feasted on Mashed potatoes and gravy.

Susan Ward #4 - February 20 at 10:55 PM



“ I remember the family get together where you cooked your famous bbq chicken with chili sauce. All had plenty to eat. Good memories. Love you mom.

Marie e Poland - February 20 at 10:39 AM



Never forget her. My sister always ready when needed. When my son was born and when my husband died. We did enjoy golfing, shopping and lunches and family gatherings. Good memories.

Lory Thomas - February 28 at 07:18 AM



To my cousin Marie Poland, I'm so sorry for your loss

Karen Marion - March 03 at 01:45 PM