



Erika F. (Fuchsstadt) Roy

April 2, 1929 - October 11, 2025

Ashby-Erika F. (Fuchsstadt) Roy, 96, of Ashby, passed away on Saturday, October 11, 2025 in the UMass Medical Center in Worcester.

Erika was born and raised in Winkels, Germany a small village in Bad Kissingen on April 2, 1929 a daughter of the late Johann Fuchsstadt and Pauline (Wilm) Fuchsstadt. She came to the United States in 1948 and resided in Pepperell for several years before moving to Ashby in 2009. Erika led an active life, centered around family, friends and faith. She loved playing bingo, cards and exercising. She would often be found taking trips with her friends and family. She lived by the motto "blood is thicker than water" and "family always comes first." She never missed a family celebration. Her most treasured times were spent with family. She was a beloved mother, grandmother and matriarch of her family. She will be remembered in their hearts always.

Erika worked in the cafeteria of the North Middlesex Regional High School in Townsend for several years prior to her retirement.

She was an active member of St. John's Parish in Townsend as well as the senior centers in Pepperell, Townsend and Ashby. She was also a member of the Red Hat Society.

Her husband, Norman G. Roy passed away in 2009. She leaves four children, Walter N. Roy of Pennsylvania and his significant other Rose Marie Gaines, Sandra E. Vettese and her husband Angelo of Gardner, Suzanne L. Caron and her husband, Richard of Ashby and Mark D. Roy and his wife Dawn of Ashby. Also 16 grandchildren, Tanja, Stephen, Alexandria, Heather Roy and John Gerdes and their mother, Janet Schultz, Jason and Kristie, Christopher and Jenner, Eric and Sara, Nicholas and Brittany, Joseph and Christine Vettese, Kristina, Richard and Brina, Angelia and Ashley Caron, Devon and Josh Livingston, Dylan and Alex Roy; 33 great grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

She is predeceased in death by her brothers Willy, Georg, Herbert, Alfred and her sisters Lenchen (Helene) and Anna Fuchsstadt. Erika's legacy lives on in the lives she touched, and her travels, and the hearts of her family and friends. Heaven gained a true angel.

Her funeral Mass will be celebrated on Wednesday, October 22, at 9:30 AM in St. John the Evangelist Church, 1 School St., Townsend, followed by a burial in Glenwood Cemetery in Ashby. Calling hours will be held on Tuesday, October 21 from 4 to 7 PM in the T.J. Anderson & Son Funeral Home, 250 Main St., Townsend

Cemetery Details

Glenwood Cemetery

763 Main Street
Ashby, MA 01431

Previous Events

Calling Hours

OCT **21**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Anderson Funeral Home - Townsend
250 Main Street ~ Route 119
Townsend, MA 01469
(978) 597-2692

Funeral Mass

OCT **22**. 9:30 AM (ET)

St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church
1 School Street
Townsend, MA 01469

Tribute Wall



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Erika F. (Fuchsstadt) Roy.*



October 21, 2025 at 02:07 PM



“ *Love the Cottuli Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Erika F. (Fuchsstadt) Roy.*

Love the Cottuli Family - October 21, 2025 at 02:07 PM



“ *Nona purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Erika F. (Fuchsstadt) Roy.*



Nona - October 20, 2025 at 09:15 AM



“ *Nona planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Erika F. (Fuchsstadt) Roy.*

Nona - October 20, 2025 at 09:15 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Erika F. (Fuchsstadt) Roy.



October 20, 2025 at 07:33 AM



“ Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of Erika F. (Fuchsstadt) Roy.



October 19, 2025 at 10:27 AM



“ Deb Welch, Donna Croteau, Wayne Perra purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Erika F. (Fuchsstadt) Roy.



Deb Welch, Donna Croteau, Wayne Perra - October 17, 2025 at 03:16 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Erika F. (Fuchsstadt) Roy.



October 17, 2025 at 09:07 AM

NG

“ *My heart is broken. I can't believe you're gone! You're one of the dearest, sweetest friends I've ever had! You will be sorely missed. We will always keep a chair for you at family parties. Rest in peace, Erika. Please give Bob one of your awesome hugs!! I love you!*

Nona

Nona Guillemette - October 17, 2025 at 08:39 AM

HB

“ *Hawthorne B. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Erika F. (Fuchsstadt) Roy.*

Hawthorne B. - October 17, 2025 at 07:29 AM

DS

“ *the definition of a lady i loved this woman*

donna shapiro - October 16, 2025 at 09:17 PM

DC

“ *So sorry for your loss. Erika was such a wonderful, sweet lady. Her life is an inspiration to us all!*

Donna & John Cormier - October 16, 2025 at 08:36 PM