



Antoinette A. Ventre

June 13, 1914 - February 4, 2014

Mrs. Antoinette A. Ventre, age 99, passed from life on earth into eternity on February 4, 2014 at her home in Holland Patent. She was surrounded by the love of family and friends during her final days.

On June 13, 1914, Antoinette was born in Syracuse, NY, the second child of John and Mary (Cardarelli) Ippolito. She made the world a better place from that day on. Antoinette attended Syracuse public schools and had to leave her schooling early in life to help support her family, by working as a sales clerk during the Depression. Nearly all of what she earned was turned over to her parents at the end of the work week. Her family was the love of her life. Her sisters, Josephine Rufo and Leah Mikos were always treasured, and her brother, Tom, well, there was no better brother in her eyes.

On June 14, 1936 she married her childhood sweetheart, Reno Ventre, in Syracuse. This was a union of 70 years until Reno's passing in 2006.

Later in life, Antoinette helped raise children while their moms worked. This included both of her grandsons. She also worked as an aide in a nursery school at the Head Start Program, the Holland Patent Schools' health offices, and in the 3rd and 4th grades in the Holland Patent District as a volunteer.

Although her husband was always in the limelight, Antoinette was the rock that made all his achievements possible. Antoinette was a beautiful lady. She was a fastidious homemaker, great cook, loving wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, daughter, sister, aunt, cousin, and friend.

Antoinette is survived by her daughter Muriel (Karl) Werbovetz; precious

grandsons Karl A. (Julie) Werbovetz, and Michael P. Werbovetz; beloved great-grandsons Luke, Benjamin, and Graham Werbovetz. Also surviving are her sister, Leah Mikos, and much loved nieces and nephews Leonora (Rudy) Grecco, Marie (Raymond) Ramirez, Rosemary (Salvatore) Mariano, Gloria Christian, Denise (Gerald) VanHoevan, Candace (Robert) Gibbs, Nathaniel Rufo, John (Shirley) Ippolito, and Anthony (Patricia) Ippolito; and extended family members, including Vera (Werbovetz) Furmanski, and Karla (Furmanski) Bostwick.

Special thanks to the Hospice & Palliative Care staff who supported Antoinette and her family during the final days. Thank you to Nurse Cheryl and all the health aides. Also, special thanks to Pastor Susan Solomon for all her loving concern. To Antoinette's friends who prayed, sent cards, visited, made meals, called, and loved her and the family – a big thank you.

Visitation will be held Friday from 2:00-5:00 at the First Presbyterian Church Meeting Room, 7835 Church Street in Holland Patent. Antoinette's funeral service will commence on Saturday afternoon at 2:00 at the First Presbyterian Church with Pastor Susan Solomon officiating. Entombment will take place in Sunset Chapel Mausoleum at Woodlawn Cemetery, 800 Grant Blvd., Syracuse at the convenience of the family. Donations in Antoinette's memory may be made to the First Presbyterian Church, P.O. Box 303, Holland Patent, NY 13354, The Salvation Army, 400 Columbia St., Utica, NY 13502, or Hospice & Palliative Care, Inc., 4277 Middle Settlement Rd., New Hartford, NY 13413; envelopes will be available at the service. Arrangements have been entrusted to the Eannace Funeral Home, Inc., 932 South St., corner of Hammond Ave.

“Rest in peace in the arms of Jesus”

Tribute Wall

IR

“ Many years ago when I was in Jr/Sr High School I always kept the memories of Mrs Ventre when she accompanied us on many school trips with her Dear Husband Mr Ventre our teacher..she is remembered as a quiet caring sweet lady..Condolences to Muriel,Karl and family knowing she has once again joined Reno in their Heavenly Home. Irene and Franz Rundberg

Irene Rundberg - February 07, 2014 at 09:32 AM

PK

“ Muriel, we are so saddened by your mother's death. She was a beautiful lady both inside and out. You are in our thoughts and prayers.
Paul & Gerry Klossner

Paul & Gerry Klossner - February 07, 2014 at 08:57 AM

KB

“ Aunt Ann
There is alot of who you are that I have always wished I could be. There were so many wonderful things that you had & I don't mean possessions....that I wish I could have. (strength, beauty,love & compassion) You showed me what true love could be and how truly special it is when you find it, even though it takes work. Also, you showed me that even when life throws curves at you, with faith you can persevere. Having you in my life has been a pleasure. I will miss my pen pal. As always, thinking of you.
With love,
Karla



Karla Bostwick - February 06, 2014 at 03:34 PM

GC

“ I will miss you so dearest Auntie. I have always enjoyed and looked forward to my visits with Aunt Antoinette and Uncle Reno in my childhood and as an adult. She always made me feel so very special when I would visit a few days in the summers with her delicious meals and always making sure I was having a fun time. I remember going to baseball games, having soft ice cream, swimming, visiting the school where Uncle Reno was principal, running thru the halls. After my husband Paul passed away and I moved back to Massachusetts I often stop to visit Muriel and family and Aunt Ann on my way to Syracuse. Aunt Ann and I would go into her part of the house and we would talk and reminisce. She always spoke highly of everyone and truly represented Christ in her life in every way. I love you Aunt Antoinette, Your niece, Gloria

Gloria Christian - February 06, 2014 at 01:26 PM

KW

“ Grandma was a wonderful part of my life throughout my time growing up in Holland Patent. I remember her waiting for the bus with me when I was a little boy, and she was there at our house when I came home. Grandma and Grandpa had dinner with us more often than not, and Grandma was famous for her spaghetti sauce. I think she was in her comfort zone while she was making her sauce, but she was also willing to spend time playing ball with me (I vaguely remember some strange form of hockey played with a big pillow as a goal). I also remember playing golf at Grandma and Grandpa's house using their putting machine. As I got older, I spent time with them in their den enjoying the newest form of entertainment, Cable TV. I miss you, Grandma, but I take comfort in knowing that you're home with your husband Reno, your brother Tom, your sister Josephine, and other friends and family.

Your grandson, Karl A. Werbovetz

Karl A. Werbovetz - February 05, 2014 at 09:11 PM

RM

“ It is going to be very difficult to realize that our dear Aunt Antoinette is gone from us, however, only in a physical sense. Her beautiful spirit will always be with us and the memories of this special lady will be shared over and over again. Her love and respect of family, friends and others can not be matched by any other human being. She really walked through life practicing Biblical teachings and the love of God. She will always be very special to Sal and myself and we will miss her words of wisdom.

Your niece, Rosemary Mariano

Rosemary Mariano - February 05, 2014 at 05:01 PM

DV

“ I will miss my Aunt Antoinette dearly...I remember when I was a little girl how much I would love to visit with her and Uncle Reno during my summer vacations. There was a special time during one of my summer visits that I will always remember and that is when they took me through the Adirondacks. It was my first time ever seeing the mountains and ever since then, the mountains have been a haven for me. I can remember waking up in the mornings smelling amazing aromas coming from her wonderful kitchen. I would then go into the living room and just stare out of their 2 big picture windows and wish that I could stay in that spot forever. Of course the living room was filled with these beautiful figurines that I eventually learned all about Hummels. Aunt Ann kept a beautiful home. I would even love spending time in her finished basement where she would do all her canning of her great tomato sauce. I could go on and on about my Aunt Ann, but I will close by saying she played such an important part of my early childhood that I will cherish forever. Her loving niece, Denise Van Hoeven



Denise VanHoeven - February 05, 2014 at 01:25 PM