



Antoinette C. (Valente) Vidoni

March 3, 1928 - May 18, 2010

Mrs. Antoinette C. "Lolly" (Valente) Vidoni, age 82, of Utica, passed away peacefully on Tuesday, May 18, 2010 with the love and support of her family. Born in Utica on March 3, 1928, Antoinette was the daughter of the late Louis R. and Violet (Baia) Valente. Raised and educated in Utica, she was a graduate of T. R. Proctor High School. Some of her fondest memories included her childhood years at her homestead on Mary Street where she shared the fun of growing up with her cousins and family. Upon graduation from high school she accepted a position as a secretary for a local attorney's office. On May 27, 1950 she married Edward J. "Eddie" Vidoni with whom she shared nearly 54 years prior to his passing on June 12, 2004. Lolly adored her husband and doted on him; as the years passed, Eddie had an opportunity to reciprocate the devotion as he attended to her needs. Lolly's greatest satisfaction was derived from her family life. Blessed with a nurturing nature, she cared for her family in every regard, and her domestic talents were seen in her fastidiously maintained home. Her cooking abilities were evident in her meals, always pleasing to the palate. Lolly was endowed with many innate skills: as a seamstress, her creations were beautifully tailored, varied, and in vogue. She was also an accomplished still-life artist and had numerous paintings on display at Munson Williams Proctor Arts Institute. An avid reader, she entertained herself with novels and Art books, and also had a keen eye for fashion and design. She appreciated the world of the performing arts, especially live musicals which she found to be mystical. A social woman, she

enjoyed laughter, was truly hospitable, and held to high standards of entertaining. She felt that her greatest accomplishment was the blessing of her three children, and as a proud Italian mother, she was “pleased” upon the birth of her only son. She always had a dog “adoring” her home who served as the object of her affection. She was a former member of the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Knights of St. John, and a parishioner of St. Anthony and St. Agnes Church.

Lolly is survived by her daughters and son-in-law, Patricia A. Hall of Maryland, and Janice and Frank DeGiglio of Utica; her son, Thomas J. Vidoni and companion, Denise Fusco, of Rome; her grandchildren, Nicole DeGiglio, Adam W. Vidoni, Victoria Barton, Nadine DeGiglio, Brandon Michael Hall and his father, Dr. J. Michael Hall of Texas; and her adored great-granddaughters, Angelina, and Bianca. Survivors also include her nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, cousins, and in-laws, including David Vidoni, and Patricia Vidoni. During her lifetime she was blessed with many wonderful friendships, especially her dear friend and neighbor, Bonnie Wetherbee. Always close to Lolly's heart was her the memory of her canine companion, “Buddy”, her friend to the end. She was predeceased by her sister, Theresa Arcuri who passed away on August 31, 2001.

The family extends its sincere gratitude to the caregivers of the Masonic Care Community of NY especially the Monroe household; they tended to Lolly with such compassion, kindness, and respect.

Visitation will be held Wednesday from 4:00-7:00 at the Eannace Funeral Home, Inc., 932 South St., corner of Hammond Ave. Lolly's funeral service and Celebration of Life will commence on Thursday morning at 9:30 from the funeral home and at 10:30 at St. Anthony and St. Agnes Church where her Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated. Interment will take place in Calvary Cemetery. Committal Prayers will be offered at Christ the Savior Chapel at Calvary Cemetery.

Tribute Wall



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“ Janice,

I just want to say how sorry I am for your loss. May God heal your broken heart and always know that you did all you could for your mother while she was here on earth.

May she rest in peace.

Sincerely,

Sue Nellis

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