



Antoinette J. (Plescia) Pleeter

June 3, 1923 - June 26, 2007

Mrs. Antoinette J. (Plescia) Pleeter, age 84, of New Hartford, passed away on Tuesday, June 26, 2007, at the Faxon-St. Luke's Healthcare Center with her family by her side.

Born in Utica on June 3, 1923, Antoinette was the daughter of the late Pasquale and Marta (Bagnardi) Plescia. She was raised and educated locally and was a graduate of T.R. Proctor High School. On August 17, 1957 she married Lester Pleeter, with whom she shared 44 years until his passing on March 15, 2002. Throughout their marriage, they upheld a great admiration for each other. Lester was a master craftsman and always maintained his steadfast work ethic.

Antoinette began her working career as a secretary at Utica Radiator, retiring as a manager of the ordering department. She then became an associate of Pleeter Sheet Metal, in an entrepreneurial endeavor with her late husband. She assumed the office and managerial responsibilities of the company. At one time, she was an active member of the local chapter of the National Secretary Association and Young at Heart Senior Group.

The center of her life was her family and her home. Charitable and non-confrontational, Antoinette lived by the philosophy "Peace at any price". She was of the Catholic faith and worshipped at St. Anthony of Padua Church and St. John the Evangelist in New Hartford.

Antoinette is survived by her son and daughter-in-law, Bruce J. and Sharon Pleeter of Frankfort, NY; her daughter and son-in-law, Marta A. and Michael

Zarnoch of New Hartford; and her grandchildren, Brent Pleeter, Shaina Pleeter, and Keith Zarnoch. Also surviving are her brother and sister-in-law, Dr. Otto and Anne Plescia of FL; her nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, and cousins, including Michelle "Nina" Schultz, Dr. Marc Plescia, Lisa Wilsey, Michael Plescia, Barry Lipsy, Alan Lipsy, her in-laws, Ann Plescia of NJ, Estelle and Clement Lipsy of Dewitt, NY; her devoted life long friend, Eileen Taurisano; her friends, Rubin Namiad, Eleanor Curri, Dorothy Schram, Francine Spinelli, the Schultz family, Cork & Patty Roberts, Jean Potempa, and Gary Rubnich of AZ, a one of a kind friend who, along with her late husband, were two of the most talented men she knew. She was predeceased by her sister, Emerina Plescia; and her brother, Archie Plescia.

A special thank you to Marta, who was so dedicated and devoted to her mother as she cared for her and catered to her needs. Also a special thank you to her son Bruce, who has also been a constant inspiration to his mother during her illness. The dedication of Dr. Jawad Shaikh and the concern shown by the 4th floor nursing staff of the Faxton-St. Luke's Healthcare Center was sincerely appreciated. They were truly angels.

Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend Antoinette's Mass of Christian Burial which will be celebrated on Friday at 12:30 at St. Anthony of Padua Church. The family will receive visitors at the conclusion of the service. By family request please omit floral offerings. For those wishing to do so, please consider memorial donations in Antoinette's honor to one of the following: St. Anthony of Padua Church in Utica, or St. John the Evangelist Church in New Hartford. Arrangements have been entrusted to the Eannace Funeral Home, Inc., 932 South St., corner of Hammond Ave.

Tribute Wall



“ Dear Marta Mike Keith; My heartfelt sympathy to you, Bruce, Otto, and to your family in the great loss of your dear Mother. Although expected it is still a great shock to lose your Mother, who is your best friend always. She was truly a jewel-one of a kind, who drew people to her without any effort. Your Mother loved you very much she was so devoted to you and appreciated all the difficult tasks you had to undertake. Each member of her family ment the world to her. Her grandchildren were shining stars. You and Bruce were so fortunate to have such loving parents, who were so proud of you. I'm just begining to face the reality that my dearest friend has gone home to be with God, and that our visits and talks are at an end, except in thoughts. I miss her more than words can say. My only consolatio-she is forever free of the pain and suffering she had to endure every moment. She was very brave, and never gave up searching fore the cure she hoped for, so that she could enjoy her life with you all. She missed your Dad so much, and now they are agian reunited. Your Mother will never be forgotten and the beautfull memories she left behind, will always keep her close to each of us. Those of us who had the honor to have known her were inded fortunate. May God bless you and your family always. Your Mother will watch over you. Sincerly Dorothy Schram###imported-begin##Dorothy Schram###imported-end##

August 25, 2007 at 09:11 PM



“ August 6th, 2007

Dear Marta, Mike and Keith, in remembrance of Tony:

Tony is often in my thoughts...She was a remarkable person...someone who hardly knew me...and welcomed me into her home and offered me good food at her kitchen table...while visiting with her daughter, Marta; my good friend.

I remember her as always kind and gentle. We all shared a New Year's Eve party together at the Zarnoch residence where we all had a good time. Tony fell asleep...after lots of fun and laughter shared by all.

**A smiling woman, never complaining.*

At the hospital, Tony was not feeling well. I went to visit her. I touched her toe, telling her I was there. She knew me instantly...as she was very uncomfortable.

I stayed only a minute or two and left after she said "H E L L O E L L E N..." in the sweetest voice and was offering pizza for those in the room who were hungry. She always thought of others first.

We shall always remember Tony as a kind-hearted woman. I remember, too, when Keith was a baby...a white-haired woman was strolling him down Hillside Ave...loving every minute of being with her grandson. At that time, I did not know her.

I am glad that I was able to get to know Tony.

Love to the family Always....and with Sincerest Wishes Sent.

Ellen and Rick Medler##imported-begin##Ellen and Rick Medler##imported-end##

August 05, 2007 at 04:28 PM



“ Toni was one of the nicest people I know. I had only known her for a short time, but in that time she had invited me in her home for dinner and I had even invited her to my wedding. Such a bond she had with the Zarnoch family, in particular her daughter, Marta, who was such a great daughter to her and still is today by remembering Toni. I know that Toni now is an angel of God and she is and will always be looking out for her family.##imported-begin##Colleen Zumbrun##imported-end##

August 03, 2007 at 07:29 AM



“ We are so sorry to hear of your loss. A mother's love is precious and forever. She was a wonderful person and touched many lives. She will be missed. Take comfort in your family and friends, and remember her in better times. Love, the MacFees.##imported-begin##Cathy & Brian ,Will and Patrick MacFee##imported-end##

July 04, 2007 at 11:10 AM



“ I was talking with Dr. Razza and she said my mother was a inspirational lady whose spirits could not be broken. She was loyal,devoted, she was my best friend and my mother. My parents had a unique relationship for fourty four years they were like peas in a pod. There humor and love for each other was so great it over flowed into everyones lives. My mothers lifelong friendships were unique and enduring. The love for her grandchildren was boundless. Her smiling face was a beacon of hope and love for all who saw. My angel may you rest peacefully until we meet agian. Every minute that goes by I miss you more and more. I love you forever wherever XOXOXOXOXOXOXO.##imported-begin##Marta Mike Keith Zarnoch##imported-end##

July 03, 2007 at 04:26 PM



“ How fortunate I was that I had a freind like Toni, she was better than a freind, she was better than a sister, she was perfect. She was just like a perfect pearl. She loved you all each and every one of you. We should all be lucky enough to have a perfect pearl like Toni in our lives.##imported-begin##Elinor Curri ##imported-end##

July 02, 2007 at 09:30 PM



“ Marta and Bruce,
I'm sorry about your loss; I know how much your family meant to your mom who was a genuine joy to know.
Louise##imported-begin##Louise (Wrate) White##imported-end##

June 28, 2007 at 01:36 PM



“ Bruce, Marta and families.

*What a loss we all are feeling right now, your Mother was a special lady, as everyone that knew her has said, she always had a smile on her face, and just was forever happy... God Bless her, and what she was.. We have many fond memories from the many times we got together in Cape Vincent. Toni was very blessed to have a son & daughter that would be there and do for her as you did. Please know that we do share your loss, and will be here for you. nothing or no -one can every come close to what your Mother was.. You all are so much more fortunante than us, as you have a life time of memories, and I'm sure in time those will make your lives feel so blessed, just keep them alive and be happy as she would have wanted for all of us...We will miss her smile,(our shared experence :-) and her cooking.. what a cook....thanks for sharing her with so many..you all are truely blessed to have had her for all these years.. take care of yourselves, and share your memories
xoxoxo pattie and cork##imported-begin##Cork & Pattie Roberts##imported-end##*

June 28, 2007 at 10:33 AM



“ Marta,

*I am so sorry for the passing of your mother. I knew you would be loyal & true to her. When I think of your mother, I think of compassionate, caring, gentle, loving, thoughtful,dedicated, and a true lady. I am thinking of you at this difficult time. I think of you every 12th of July! Take care Marta. I'm still at Scruples.
Sandy##imported-begin##SandyCefaly-Climek##imported-end##*

June 28, 2007 at 09:47 AM



“ *What great memories we will always have of Toni! Always a smile and always caring. Sorry we will not be in the state until after the service. Our prayers to each of you during this difficult time.##imported-begin##Karin (Frenz) and Mark Bildsten ~ Kirsten and Kaelyn##imported-end##*

June 28, 2007 at 08:23 AM



“ *We are so sorry for your loss - We will always remember what a wonderful, kind woman your Mom was and that she always had a smile on her face. She will be missed. Bill & Debbie##imported-begin##Bill and Debbie Geil##imported-end##*

June 27, 2007 at 04:22 PM



“ *We will never forget Toni- her laughter, kindness and awesome cooking. She had the same warmth of heart and genuine spirit that her mother possessed and will me truly missed. You are in our prayers.
Jack and Michele##imported-begin##Jack and Michele Freislich##imported-end##*

June 27, 2007 at 03:17 PM



“ *DEAR FAMILY
E ARE SO SORRY FOR THE LOSS OF YOUR MOTHER.SHE
WAS AGREAT FRIEND OF OURS.
FONDLY
BIBI & NICK MONTANO
PALM HARBOR, FLORIDA##imported-begin##BIBI & NICK
MONTANO##imported-end##*

June 27, 2007 at 10:16 AM



“ *Marta & Mike,
We're so sorry to hear about your Mom. She was the kindest of
souls and always had a smile for you.
Don & Kathy##imported-begin##Don & Kathy Perkins##imported-
end##*

June 27, 2007 at 07:46 AM



“ *We are so sorry to hear of Toni's passing, She was a great person,
and will be sadly missed.##imported-begin##Fred and Dorie
Bater##imported-end##*

June 27, 2007 at 07:28 AM