



Antoinette M. (Iovine) Leone

June 13, 1917 - August 8, 2008

Mrs. Antoinette M. (Iovine) Leone, age 91, of Utica, and most recently a resident of the Bryant Wing at the Katherine Luther Home, passed away on Friday, August 08, 2008 at the home with her loving family by her side. Born in Utica on June 13, 1917, Antoinette was the daughter of the late Gennaro and Genevieve (Sabatelli) Iovine. She was raised and educated locally. On June 3, 1939 she wed Dominick A. Leone; the couple shared a blessed union of 52 years until Dominick's passing on October 3, 1991. During her working years, Antoinette was employed by the Oneita Knitting Mill, Dunlop Tires, and the Tri State Laundry. Because of her motherly nature, she left the workforce and returned to her home to care for the needs of her family, especially her mother and siblings. A natural caretaker with a hard work ethic, she opened her heart and home to many members of her family in their times of need, which included raising her nieces and nephews and fostering their well-being. She was an endearing mom and reached beyond these limits with her grandchildren. She taught them how to nurture themselves and to pass this life's knowledge on to their children. She loved her Italian traditions and had her own phrases and 'vocabulary' which were humorous and charming to others. Well known for her generosity of spirit, Antoinette welcomed many to her home to enjoy her baking and cooking skills – especially her meatballs on Sunday morning. She also displayed an interest in ceramics, bestowing many gifts of her work to her family. She was a member of the National Association of Letter Carriers Women's Auxiliary

where she at one time held an office to the organization. She was a communicant of St. Mary of Mount Carmel Church/Blessed Sacrament Parish. Antoinette is survived by her daughters and sons-in-law, Judith A. and Angelo Cianfrocco of Rome, NY, and Donna G. and Paul Tuzzolino of Utica; her son and daughter-in-law, Alphonse "Funzy" and Brenda Leone of Sauquoit; grandchildren and their spouses, Lori Ann and Tim Walls, Judith A. and James Gabes, Archi and Maria Cianfrocco, Keri and Anthony Tartaglia, Michele and Eric Sloma, Catrina Ann Leone, and Domenico Leone; her extended grandchildren, Patrice Harris, and Dianna Malecki; great-grandchildren, Joanna and Jayce Walls, Jayme and Phillip Gabes, Angelo, Tess, Katy, and Anna Rose Cianfrocco; Mia Sloma, and Antonia Tartaglia. Survivors also include many nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, and her in-law, Mrs. Angeline Leone of Utica. She was predeceased by her 5 brothers and sisters-in-law, John F. Iovine, Salvatore and Millie Iovine, James and Ethel Iovine, Mario and Mary Iovine, and Anthony A. and Mary Iovine; her sisters and brothers-in-law, Cora and Harry Minal, Anna and Carmen Beratta; her in-laws; and her niece, Marilyn Brown.

The family is grateful to all the caregivers of the Bryant unit at the Katherine Luther Home who were exceptionally respectful and loving in their care of Antoinette. The family will always remember their kindness. A special thank you is extended to the medical staff of the home.

In keeping with the family's wishes, there will be no public visitation. Please omit floral offerings. Antoinette's funeral and committal services will be held at the convenience of the family.

Services of comfort have been entrusted to the Eannace Funeral Home, Inc., 932 South St., corner of Hammond Ave.

Tribute Wall



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October 18, 2008 at 03:20 AM



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August 20, 2008 at 08:24 PM



“ TO JUDY, DONNA, FUNZY AND THE REST OF THE FAMILY,

I AM SO SORRY TO HEAR OF ANTOINETTE'S PASSING. I USED TO CARE FOR HER AT THE LUTHERAN HOME AND BOY LET ME TELL YOU, THERE WAS NEVER A DULL MOMENT WITH HER. SHE WOULD ALWAYS HAVE ME LAUGHING, NO ONE HAD TIME TO BE IN A BAD MOOD WITH HER THERE. I WILL MISS HER DEARLY, SHE WAS ONE IN A MILLION..... TAKE CARE ALL OF YOU##imported-begin##SONDRA HYSACK##imported-end##

August 12, 2008 at 04:10 AM



“ We were very sad to hear of the passing of Aunt Antoinette. She was unique. I remember her phone calls where she always got a kick out of saying, "Hello,Antoinette...this is Antoinette." We'd laugh everytime. Her usual response to how she was doing was, "I'm still kickin and bit__in." We'd laugh again. I loved her sense of humor. She was an easy person to talk with and she always made you feel at ease. She was always gracious and caring. I remember the visits around the holidays when I was younger, especially Christmastime, there were tables of food! Whenever I see the ice cream truck, I'd think back to when we used to always get ice cream from the truck when it passed their house. I always enjoyed my visits the see her and Uncle Dick. They are once again together and happy. They were both sweet and loving people and I will always cherish the memories.##imported-begin##Antoinette Chmielewski##imported-end##

August 11, 2008 at 02:31 PM



“ With deepest sympathy.##imported-begin##Toni Leone Guzski##imported-end##

August 11, 2008 at 01:03 PM



“ To my best friend Donna and her family, I am so sorry for your loss. Growing up I remember your mother being everything a mom should be and more. She always gave all she had for her family and she was the hardest worker I have ever known. As a grandmother was she devoted, loving, and caring and her grandchildren were lucky to have her. She will be missed even if she did used to make me wait on the porch while Donna ironed her Faather's post office shirts. Rest in peace Antoinette and congratulations on a job well done. with love Sandy, (or as she used to like to call me when she got older, Randy)##imported-begin##Sandra Reilly##imported-end##

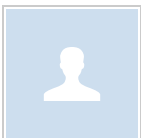
August 11, 2008 at 12:27 PM



“ Hi nana its jayce I just wanted to say that I miss you and I never wanted you to go but I rather you be up there then down here suffering even though you never really knew me but I know you loved me and I just wanted to say that I love you and I will never forget you

LOVE YOU Jaycedean##imported-begin##jaycedean##imported-end##

August 11, 2008 at 12:19 PM



“ Nana, I never really knew you but I do know how to make your famous meatballs. I heard you would make them every sunday with pasta. Also I heard that you loved to play golf. I do to. Just got to work on my swing. HaHaHaHaHa. I also never got to meet your family so give them hugs and kisses for me. I LOVE YOU!!!!!!
Joanna##imported-begin##Joanna Walls(poop)##imported-end##

August 11, 2008 at 11:44 AM



“ Judy, Angelo and family,
We would like to extend our deepest sympathy to all of you at this very sad time. We will keep you all in our prayers!
Love, Anthony, Julie, Ryan, Anthony and Nicholas.##imported-begin##Anthony and Julie Borruso and family##imported-end##

August 11, 2008 at 09:59 AM



“ With Deepest Sympathy. to all Aunt Antonette's family.##imported-begin##Frances (Leone) Hodges - Pensacola Fl.##imported-end##

August 11, 2008 at 08:45 AM



“ My "Nanaduch".
I am not sure where to start.
Thank you for the early morning breakfast before golf with Papa.
Thank you for cooking the "every" Sunday pasta dinner when we were young.
Thank you for the love you shared.. Thank you for your sense of humor. Thank you for sharing your stories of your childhood.
Thank you for teaching us a few interesting phrases in italian ;o)
These memories and others will keep us close to you forever. Give Papa and kiss for us. You both will always be in my prayers.

riposarsi pacificamente nel cielo!

We will miss you Archi, Maria, Angelo, Tess, Katy/("Go away") and Anna .##imported-begin##Archi Cianfrocco##imported-end##

August 11, 2008 at 12:11 AM



“ Everyone called her Nana, she could be everyones nana thats why! Nan' was the true meaning of Grandmother, how lucky you all were to have her in your life for so long, or so little it may seem. Life has to end, but the memories you have and share with other's will keep her spirit alive in your family, there are so many stories to tell and laugh at. My deepest sympathy goes out to all of you, I love your family as you have always made me a part of it. Thank you for sharing. Jo Anne & Franny Suppa & children###imported-begin###JoAnne Suppa###imported-end###

August 10, 2008 at 11:00 PM



“ You were like a grandmother to me! I will always remember growing up spending time at your home with you cooking for us. Italian food-you made the best. We made you crazy at times running around up and down the stairs but you always loved us, smiling with hugs. Thanks for all the you did. With love, Dianna###imported-begin###Dianna Malecki###imported-end###

August 10, 2008 at 10:57 PM



“ Hey Nan,

We are lucky kids to have grandparents like you and Papa. I also have many great memories that are like yesterday in my mind. On August 8th I had many flash backs to when I was a kid and also as an adult. There are things like when I was real small I had a tooth ache and you put a mopine around my head and held me. Or when we walked to the bank and grocery store and took the bus to the Boston store where we always got to pick up one toy everytime. Holidays were always very special, the food was good and the money cards on the Christmas tree we always plentiful and full.(lol) . You did teach us many tihngs in life that we will carry to our grandchildren. Tell Papa I still have his golf clubs and miss him. Rest in peace and see ya some day. Love your oldest and favorite granddaughter Lori Ann.##imported-begin##Lori (sadag)##imported-end##

August 10, 2008 at 07:54 PM



“ Nana,

You were the best gramother anyone could ask for. I have so many childhood memories to carry with me and share with my kids for many years to come. Althought we are very sad you are gone we know you had a long and happy life. We will all be together again someday well thats what they tell us anyway. You are at peace and thats what's important .If you see Papa give him a kiss for us. Wewill love and miss you always Jim, Judy ,Jayme and Phillip##imported-begin##Judy (CooCoo)##imported-end##

August 10, 2008 at 06:04 PM



“ To everyone in the Leone family, our prayers and thoughts are with you all in this trying time. The memories that you all share can not be taken away, share them with as many as you can. Knowing she's at peace will help everyone get though this. Keep her and the others that have gone before deep in your hearts as that's where they will always be.

Becky, Frank, Marissa and Harold (grandpa Covey)##imported-begin##Becky Covey, Frank Bray, Marissa Schneider##imported-end##

August 09, 2008 at 10:17 PM



“ NANA,
I JUST WANTED TO THANK YOU FOR EVERYTHING THAT YOU HAVE EVER DONE FOR ME. YOU HELPED MY MOTHER RAISE ME AND KERI AND WE WILL NEVER EVER FORGET THAT. YOU HELPED ME BECOME THE KIND OF MOTHER I AM TODAY BY TEACHING ME HOW TO LOVE AND NURTURE. YOU LEFT ME WITH MANY MANY STORIES TO SHARE WITH MIA AS SHE GETS OLDER. I AM VERY SAD THAT YOU ARE NO LONGER HERE WITH US BUT I AM HAPPY FOR YOU THAT YOU ARE IN HEAVEN WITH POPPA AND YOUR FAMILY AND YOU CAN SEE AND HEAR AND YOU HAVE NO MORE PAIN. WE KNOW THAT YOU ARE PROBABLY DANCING AND PLAYING THE ORGAN AND ALSO PROBABLY COOKING UP A STORM JUST LIKE THE OLD DAYS. GIVE POPPA A KISS FOR ME, I LOVE YOU NAN YOU WILL ALWAYS BE IN MY HEART AND AGAIN THANK YOU FOR MAKING ME WHO I AM TODAY.

LOVE, MICHAELINE##imported-begin##MICHELE##imported-end##

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