



Dr. Toffe M. Hadity, DDS

February 8, 1931 - August 16, 2006

Dr. Toffe M. Hadity, D.D.S., age 75, of Utica, passed away unexpectedly on Wednesday, August 16, 2006, at the St. Elizabeth Medical Center with the love of his family beside him.

Born in Utica on February 8, 1931, Toffe was the son of the late Toffe A. and Fannie (George) Hadity. Raised and educated locally, he was a 1949 graduate of T.R. Proctor High School. He continued his education at Utica College of Syracuse University, earning a Bachelor of Arts degree in Science. He then attended Georgetown University where he was awarded his Doctor of Dental Surgery degree. A proud veteran, Dr. Hadity served with the U.S. Army during the Korean Conflict as Chief Medical Officer and Instructor. He honored the time spent serving his country. On November 25, 1995, he married the former Joyce V. Tomaino. Love, respect, adoration, and companionship graced their lives. Joyce was the 'joy' of his life.

Dr. Hadity garnered many accolades and was preeminent in his field. He earned the unique distinction of having the longest tenure as a practicing dentist in Oneida County. Through his leadership, he chartered the way for future members of his profession. He was committed to his patients, his profession, and his associations. He kept abreast of new techniques and procedures through professional literature, continuing education, and educational seminars. He had a passion for dentistry and was gratified and satisfied by his lifework. He was legendary to the many generations of Utica area families that he served. He was proud of his myriad vocational

affiliations, including positions as Past President of the Oneida/Herkimer County Dental Society, Past President, 5th District Dental Society of NY State, honored recipient of a highly contended post-graduate Fellowship award with the American Dental Association, long time member of the American Dental Association, the NY State Dental Association, Past President of the Utica College Alumni Association, member of the Utica College Board of Directors for eight years and adjunct professor at M.V.C.C. in Dental Care.

Toffe maintained a devotion to the New York Yankees and various Syracuse University sports teams, and as an athlete, he avidly played tennis from his youth until recent years. A savvy golfer, he frequented the Valley View fairways, a pastime he especially enjoyed with his sons. He had a talent for dancing, and a passion for traveling, ranging from weekend getaways to extensive trips. As an accomplished violinist, he was chosen to participate in the prestigious All-State string orchestra conference in high school and was a member of the Junior Symphony Orchestra. Faithful to his children and grandchildren, he attended their events, and was supportive and proud of them all. An abiding love for his family, a sense of humor, an affinity for nature, and pride for his heritage all add to the litany of his attributes. But his best legacy exists in the wisdom and guidance he bequeathed to all, a lasting legacy rooted in his efforts as mentor and advisor. Dr. Hadity was a devoted member of Historic Old St. John's Church, and a cherished choir member for many years. He served his fellow parishioners as a Eucharistic minister.

Dr. Hadity is survived by his devoted wife, Joyce; his children, Toffe M. "Chip" II and Ellie Hadity of New Hartford, John F. Hadity of NY City, Michael J. and Lynn Hadity of Long Island, Marc and Laurie Scotti of Holley, NY, and Stacey and William Paolozzi of Sauquoit, NY; his grandchildren, Shaun and Sarah; Joshua and Alexandria; and Gregory, Carey, and Ryan. In addition, he leaves his nieces and nephews, including Andrea and John Petrone of Utica, Melissa and Michael Evolo of Whitesboro, John and Nicole Hobika of New Hartford, and Michele Jackson, who was also a beloved Godchild who he adored, and her husband, Dr. Brian Jackson, D.D.S; also great-nieces, great-nephews,

cousins, and aunts, including Angeline George. Also surviving are his in-laws, including Dr. John H. Hobika, as well as his father-in-law, Joseph A. Tomaino, Sr., Sandra and Harold Dowell, Bernice Marconi, and Joseph A. Jr. and Lee Tomaino; also surviving are Toffe and Joyce's best of friends and traveling companions, Stephen and Joan Sotherden, as well as Dr. Louis Haddad, his lifelong colleague and confidant. Toffe was predeceased by his cherished sister, Anna Marie Hobika, his beloved uncle, Harold T. George, and his mother-in-law, Ida A. Tomaino.

The family extends heartfelt appreciation to the nurses and staff of the 3rd floor of the St. Elizabeth Medical Center for their compassionate care and kindness.

Visitation will be held Monday from 4-8 at the Eannace Funeral Home, Inc., 932 South St., corner of Hammond Ave. For those wishing to do so, please consider memorial donations in Dr. Hadity's honor to Historic Old St. John's Church, St. Jude Children's Hospital, or the Utica Symphony Orchestra; envelopes will be available at the funeral home. Dr. Hadity's funeral will commence on Tuesday morning at 9:00 from the funeral home and at 10:00 at Historic Old St. John's Church where his Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated. Interment will take place in Calvary Cemetery with military honors.

Tribute Wall



“ John, Chip and Michael,

We are so sad to hear of Uncle Toffe's passing and our thoughts and prayers are with you. Everytime we see your Dad dancing in our wedding video, it makes us smile. What a joy for living! He will be missed by all of us.

*Much love to you,
Don and Mary Jo Hobaica Brown##imported-begin##Mary Jo Hobaica Brown##imported-end##*

August 22, 2006 at 09:40 AM



“ *I was so saddened to read of the death of Dr. Hadity. I knew him from the Dental meetings at Twin Ponds over the years where I am the Banquet Manager. He was always so nice to me and I always gave him 2 ice cream desserts. Even when I saw him out he always stopped to say hello and asked how I was like last Christmas when he was holding all the packages while his wife was shopping in one of the stores. He was special. Always a smile, always a kind remark, and always nice. God bless him and keep him in His care.##imported-begin##Suzanne Cook##imported-end##*

August 22, 2006 at 01:15 AM



“ *John, Mike, Chip and families- our thoughts and prayers are with you in your time of loss. Please know how much we care and wish you well.##imported-begin##The Rider Family##imported-end##*

August 21, 2006 at 08:08 PM



“ Brenda and I are so saddened to hear of the passing of Dr. Hadity and our hearts go out to Chip, John and Michael and their mother, Gail, a longtime family friend. May God bless and be with each and every one of you during these sad days and always.##imported-begin##Brenda and Jay Musser##imported-end##

August 21, 2006 at 05:39 PM



“ To John and family,

I'm so very sorry for your loss. My thoughts are with you.##imported-begin##Lee Leshen##imported-end##

August 21, 2006 at 11:29 AM



“ Chip I am so sorry to hear about your father's passing. What happened. I am unable to make calling hours but please know that my thoughts and prayers are with you and Ellie and all of your family.##imported-begin##Lorraine Lasher##imported-end##

August 21, 2006 at 10:18 AM



“ Our sympathy is with you in your time of sorrow.##imported-begin##Renee Bolling##imported-end##

August 20, 2006 at 08:10 PM



“ Dear Joyce and the Hadity family, we are so very sorry to hear of your great loss. We have fond memories of Toffe and the love and fun he brought where ever he was! He will be deeply missed. May you find comfort in the cherished memories that you share. Our love and prayers are with you always. God bless!##imported-begin##Marc & Cheryl Swienton, Chester, VA##imported-end##

August 20, 2006 at 07:09 PM



“ I was so sorry to hear about the passing of Dr. Hadity, I send all my prayers. He was my dentist for 23 years. I started going to him when my aunt (Lee Priore) worked for him. I saw him a month ago and he looked good and was happy. Again I send many thoughts and prayers to you in this time of sorrow.##imported-begin##Susan Collis Connelly##imported-end##

August 20, 2006 at 06:10 PM



“ To the Hadity Family: My Deepest Sympathy. Sorry I can't be there but can't drive. My prayers are with you. Love Aunt Viv.##imported-begin##Vivian Angrisano##imported-end##

August 20, 2006 at 12:40 PM



“ John, Chip, Mike & Joyce,

Please know in your hearts that we love you and offer our sincerest sympathy. We continue to smile when we think of Toffe and the time spent with him over the years. His warm welcoming hugs & that smile of his....oh, that smile of his (!), will always be a clear memory of him.##imported-begin##Mary Anne Machis & Elsie Brennan##imported-end##

August 19, 2006 at 08:44 PM



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August 19, 2006 at 08:09 PM



“ Dear Chip, John and Mike,

Leigh just called to let us know of the sad news about your father. We hope you can take some comfort in the knowledge that he certainly led a full and active life. However, we know he will be greatly missed by all of you. We will keep you in our thoughts.##imported-begin##Bill and Nancy Bryant##imported-end##

August 19, 2006 at 12:13 PM



“ Dearest Chip, John, & Mike,

We were so sad to hear your Dad had passed. After talking to your Mom I decided that instead of coming up for the funeral maybe it would be better if I came to NY for a visit sson. No more catching up with each other at funerals, o.k.?

We pray for you to receive comfort, strength and peace in this difficult time.

Love and Hugs,

Leigh, Daryl & Matthew

(And our sweet angel, Julia, who is watching over us all)##imported-begin##Leigh & Daryl Cunningham##imported-end##

August 19, 2006 at 10:56 AM



“ John and family- so sorry for your loss.

You are in my prayers.##imported-begin##Terrie Dailey-Utica##imported-end##

August 19, 2006 at 10:16 AM



“ *Our sympathy and love to Joyce, Chip, John, and Michael. We are sorry to hear about the passing of Toffe. We should be able to get to the visitation on Monday night, but we will be leaving the state early Tuesday morning.*

Dennis & Kathi##imported-begin##Dennis & Kathi George##imported-end##

August 18, 2006 at 04:06 PM



“ I am so very saddened and shocked by the news of Dr. Hadity's passing. He was such an active and fun loving man. In all of the 7 years that I worked as his assistant...he reached out to those that most passed over. He loved his boys and his friends, golf and music were so important to him. He was very supportive of me and my music and was always ready to help. I send my love and sympathies to all his loved ones.##imported-begin##Leonarda Priore##imported-end##

August 18, 2006 at 11:17 AM