



Muriel (Ainsworth) Cittadino

June 6, 1938 - February 27, 2023

CLINTON- Mrs. Muriel (Ainsworth) Cittadino passed away on Monday, February 27, 2023 at the age of 84, with her loved ones by her side. Muriel was born in Utica on June 6, 1938, to the late Millard and Alice (Williams) Ainsworth. She was raised and educated in Utica, and was a graduate of Utica Free Academy. On June 12, 1957, Muriel wed Peter M. Cittadino, with whom she shared over 45 years prior to his passing on October 29, 2002.

In her earlier years, Muriel held a position at a local bank. She was a gifted vocalist, keyboardist and offered her talents as a piano instructor. Her gift also allowed her to become the organist and Sunday school teacher at New Hartford Methodist Church, a church held dear to her heart due to the generations in her family who worshipped there. Lastly, she also held a position as a nurse's aide at the Presbyterian Home until her retirement in 1986.

Muriel was very outgoing and loving. She loved crafting, especially knitting, sewing, and quilting, and loved to share her creations with her loved ones. She was the community "mom," always there to share her love and support with all those in the neighborhood. She was always energetic and hardworking—her family marveled at her ability to remodel their home. She was a woman ahead of her time. Muriel was a member of St. Mary and Mt. Carmel/Blessed Sacrament Parish.

Muriel is survived by her daughters and sons-in-law, Laurie and David Lloyd,

Rosella and Rocco Pandolfo; her sons and daughters-in-law, John and Barbara Cittadino, and Peter and Lorraine Cittadino. She is also survived by her grandchildren, Alyssun and Chris Scuderi, Evan and Brittany Lloyd, Andrew and Miranda Lloyd, Hayley and Joe Storm, and Morgan Lloyd; Anthony, Louisa, and Rocco Pandolfo; and Darcey and Pablo Rodriguez; as well as her cherished great-grandchildren, Tyler, Emma, Gemma, Britton, Charlotte, Camryn, Lincoln, and Atticus; Niece Maria Allen and her late husband Jim Allen Nephew John Sirianni, Niece Elaine Burrows and husband Dean and family, and her dear friend Betty Arcuri. She was predeceased by her brothers Forrest and, R. Lynn Ainsworth, and sister in-law Carolyn Ainsworth; her in-laws, Jack and Frances Harrington, Frank and Mary Citro, Joseph A. Nancy Cittadino, and Joseph Cittadino who passed in infancy, and Niece Rose Ann Sirianni.

Muriel was also predeceased by her beloved animals Ollie the African Gray and dog Cookie who provided her companionship and love.

Muriel's family would like to extend a special thank you to the Gordon Rehabilitation Unit at the Katherine Luther Residential Healthcare & Rehabilitation Center for making her time enjoyable, providing a loving environment, as well as Dr. Kozminski, her personal physician and very attentive staff for their care and compassion.

Muriel's family will honor her life with a private gathering at a later date.

Tribute Wall

LF

“ My condolences to all of the family. She was a beautiful woman with a special spirit, my husband and I loved that about her. My prayers are with you all.

Linda Fay - March 05, 2023 at 10:19 AM

CA

“ My condolences to all the Cittadino children and their families. Muriel and Peter were my godparents and gave me my middle name, Elaine. I remember Muriel especially as being so kind. They were so thoughtful with the gifts they gave me for special occasions. I was pleased that she remembered me when my mother, Florence Seakan, and I attended Peter's wake. It was so nice to reconnect with her. Thank you all for sharing her with me in such a special way. My prayers are with you. Carol Elaine (Seakan) Armitage

Carol E Armitage - March 04, 2023 at 05:01 PM

BA

“ Muriel and I shared our Married Life Adventure just 2 months apart so we had much to talk about and laugh about. I marveled at her ability to create such beautiful handiwork. I'll never forget the Christmas morning I opened the Utica newspaper to find she had won the Gingerbread House contest. That gave me "bragging rights" the next time I went to my craft group meeting.

She was a beautiful person inside and outside. I'll never forget her. May she rest peace.

Betty Arcuri - March 04, 2023 at 11:57 AM

DA

“ *Danette lit a candle in memory of Muriel (Ainsworth) Cittadino*



Danette - March 03, 2023 at 02:04 PM

DA

such a beautiful pix-and write up- Love to all!!

Danette - March 03, 2023 at 02:07 PM

AV

“ *My sincerest condolences to Rosella and family in the passing of Mrs. Cittadino. She was a joy to have as a former resident, such a kind person. God Bless Muriel and family. Ann Marie Vallese*

Ann Marie Vallese - March 03, 2023 at 09:41 AM