



Mrs. Toni L. Ramsey

December 7, 1925 - January 25, 2020

AUBURN – Tonie L. Ramsey (Antoinette) a well known resident of the City of Auburn, died Saturday January 25th. . A life time resident of Auburn, Tonie was born to John and Stella Liarakos in Lewiston on December 7, 1925, and graduated from Lewiston High School in 1943 and later studied at the School of Commerce in Auburn,

An active participant in civic and community organizations, Tonie will be remembered by her family, friends, and many colleagues for her wit, sense of humor, work ethic, and undying spirit. She loved and lived life to the fullest.

Her volunteer and leadership accomplishments knew no bounds. She was one time President of the Woman's Hospital Association of Central Maine Medical Center, President of the Woman's Literary Union at 19 Elm Street in Auburn working to preserve the historical Foss Mansion, President of the Art and Literature Club, President of the Sarah Frye Assisted Living Home, First Chairwoman of the Auburn Girl Scouts of the Girl Scouts of America, twelve years on Auburn's Rehab Commission, Board of Directors of the Androscoggin County United Way, Chairwoman of the Fundraising Committee of the Sam and Jenny Bennett Breast Care Center at CMMC, and Co-chair of Central Maine Medical Center's Cardiac Unit and Chair of the Advanced Gifts. Tonie's service on the Board of Directors of Androscoggin United Way spanned over 30 years in various capacities. An enthusiast over many environmental issues, she was instrumental, along with her neighbors, in forming the Tripp Lake Improvement Association.

Tonie was also very active in local politics by serving as Campaign Manager or Consultant for many campaigns. Party politics did not enter into her equation, but it was the candidates' abilities and concern for the betterment of the City of Auburn that got her support and dedicated work. To name a few that benefited from Tonie's dedication and support are Barbara Trafton (Maine House of Representatives and Maine Senate), Richard Trafton (Maine House of Representatives, City of Auburn of Mayor, and Maine Senate) Lee Young (Auburn's first woman Mayor) Harvey Theriault (City of Auburn Councilor) Bob Thorpe (Auburn Mayor) John Cleveland (Mayor and Maine Senate), and

Franklin Goss (Auburn Councilor)

To say that activity and involvement was her theme song is an understatement! For her many accomplishments, she was honored in 1994 as Auburn's Citizen of the Year receiving many congratulatory letters from dignitaries including Senator Olympia Snowe, Senator William Cohen, and President Bill Clinton.

She worked at the Lewiston/Auburn YWCA for over 20 years as Adult Program Director and organized and escorted five different overseas trips for the women of the YWCA. A strong advocate for the welfare of children, Tonie also served as the Director of Camp Chittenden.

She was a charter member of the municipal employees of Auburn Federal Credit Union and was the Managing Director for 25 years.

She was predeceased by her husband Arthur (Pete) Ramsey after 53 years of marriage. Survivors include her two daughters: Jonne and husband Duane Gross of Jay; Vicki and husband David Whiting of Poland Springs. Four grandchildren Tonnie Condon and husband Brian of Jay; Todd Yates of Florida; Kurt Whiting and wife Sandy of Lewiston; and Alyson Smith and husband Ronnie of Monmouth. Also, seven loving great grandchildren. She is also survived by her one remaining living sister, Joanne Liarakos of Buffalo, NY; sister in law Ruth Chase of Lisbon; sister in law Helen Liarakos of Buffalo, NY; and several immediate nieces and nephews. Tonie's other Liarakos family member of two brothers and three sisters are all now predeceased.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be sent the YWCA 130 East Ave., Lewiston, ME 04240, The Auburn Public Library 49 Spring St., Auburn, ME 04210 and the Woman's Literary Union 19 Elm St., Auburn, ME 04210.

Burial will held in the Spring at Gracelawn Memorial Park in Auburn with time and date to be announced.

Online condolences and sharing of memories may be expressed at www.lynchbrothers.com

Comments



“ So many happy memories of our summer trips up to Maine, staying at the lake and enjoying time with all our aunts, uncles, and cousins. Please know that we're thinking of you all, keeping you in our prayers, and hoping the happy memories of Aunt Toni sustain you during your time of grief and loss. ~ Jamie Shaner and family

JAMIE A SHANER - February 13 at 10:49 AM



“ I love and miss you Nana. Your oldest Grandson, Todd Ramsey Yates. I'll always cherish the memories at camp in the Summers growing up as a kid. Xoxo

Todd Ramsey Yates - February 02 at 05:40 PM



“ When I was a little kid we lived near the Ramsey's and she was one of my mother's closest friends. Toni would come to our house for hair cuts and perms and the two of them would have a grand time together! Lots of laughter! She was our Brownie leader and made us all feel very special as we "flew up" in her back yard over a bridge that Pete built just for us! Jonne and I were buddies and my sister Jan was friends with Vicky. My friendship with Toni lasted all these years and when we would see each other we would laugh and hug and celebrate and catch up in the aisles of any store we happened to be in. She will be missed by everyone who knew her, and I bet Pete greeted her with open arms. Rest in peace dear Toni. My deep condolences to all her friends and family. The world was a better place when she was in it.

Sue (Gagnier/Duston) Patneau

Susan Patneau - January 30 at 07:54 PM



“ My thoughts and prayers go out to the family.i knew her while I grew up in Auburn.she was a wonderful lady and friend.i know she ment alot to my parents,especially to my dad Ron logan.I'm sure she is having a good laugh with him upstairs.it brings back good memories just thinking of them talking and laughing together. She was precious. Thoughtfully, Chris Logan

Chris logan - January 30 at 10:29 AM



“ Tonie epitomized to so many of us the epitome of graciousness, caring and selfless devotion to others. I worked with her on various community service projects and was always impressed by her enthusiasm and sincerity. She has left an indelible mark on this community and positively touched the lives of everyone she met. She will always be remembered with fondness and will be truly missed.

Paul Gauvreau - January 29 at 12:03 PM



“ Toni always had a smile on her face. She was my Aunt Bessie's sister & also my coworker & friend's mom. She was a great lady, always kind & gracious. I would see her at family things & out and about. The last time I saw her I was waiting for a ride outside of a medical building and she came out. I said "Hello" to her & she wasn't sure who I was so I told her. Her face lit up with that beautiful smile, she hugged me and told me she was so happy I spoke to her. I will miss seeing her. Sandy Spiller

Sandy Spiller - January 29 at 11:54 AM



“ I love going to camp and seeing her and uncle bud. Love u Aunt Toni have fun with Uncle Bud.

Bonnie - January 28 at 07:00 PM



“ Giving soul. Energy bounless, uplifting. We remember her and thank her for inclusive spirit. Truly a unique person .

Barbara & Michael Rynne - January 29 at 09:58 AM



“ A dear soul I was always proud to call her my friend. When I and Earl were caretakers at WLU she always gave us great support and kindness. The many, many talks we shared of our lives will always stay with me. The family and the community has lost a great deal in her passing. Such dedication she had for so many things and kindness to everyone she knew. Bob Allen/Earl Fournier

Robert Allen - January 31 at 08:26 AM