



Ella M. Reardon

March 21, 1921 - March 21, 2016

Ella M. Reardon died on Monday, March 21, 2016, her 95th birthday, with her daughter by her side.

Born in Plymouth, MA March 21, 1921, the daughter of Anthony and Dolores Fortini Vitti she was educated in the schools there graduating from Plymouth High School in 1939 where she penned the class poem.

She held many jobs through the years, including in Plymouth at Jordan Hospital and Puritan Mills and in Pittsfield at the Pittsfield School Department, the former England Brothers, and Goodwill Industries, a job she truly loved.

Ella met her husband Paul while he was stationed in Plymouth serving in the Army during WWII. They married in Plymouth December 28, 1946 and moved to Pittsfield. Paul passed away on April 3, 2009. They were blessed with 62 years of love and companionship.

The family record keeper, Ella meticulously kept scrapbooks of photos and keepsakes of her family and friends. These books were popular items to many who visited her, often sparking hours of reminiscing. She was always kind and welcoming and made everyone feel special. No one ever left her home hungry.

An avid reader all her life, it gave her great pleasure along with her morning crossword and Sudoku puzzles and making her list of things to accomplish for the day. She also enjoyed her flower garden; where she had an exceptional green thumb; and cooking her delicious meals for all to enjoy; making every birthday and holiday a special event. She was also an expert seamstress who still used the sewing machine her father gave to her as a young girl. Her greatest joy of all was her family, whom she loved with all her heart.

Ella was a parishioner of St. Charles Church for over 60 years where she previously served as a greeter and volunteer in the kitchen of the Monday night bingo game.

In addition to her husband Paul, she was predeceased by her brother, Richard Vitti in 1991 and her son in law, George Rocklin in 2010.

Ella is survived by her daughter and best friend, Melissa Rocklin of Pittsfield and her granddaughter Sarah Rocklin of Somerville, MA. She is also survived by a nephew, Paul Vitti and sister in law and friend, Janet Vitti both of Plymouth. Also mourning her loss are her cousins with whom she shared a special bond.

Ella truly enjoyed life and was always a source of energy and optimism. Her family will always keep her in their hearts.

FUNERAL NOTICE

The funeral for Ella M. Reardon who died on her 95th birthday will be held on Thursday at 1:00 P.M. at the Dwyer Funeral Home, 776 North St., Pittsfield, MA 01201 with Rev. A. Peter Gregory pastor of St. Charles Church officiating.

Burial will follow in St. Joseph Cemetery. Calling hours will be prior to the service from 11:00 A.M. until 1:00 P.M. Donations in her memory may be made to the St. Charles Church Memorial Fund in care of the funeral home. DONATIONS CANNOT BE MADE ONLINE, but may be made through the Dwyer Funeral Home.

Cemetery Details

St. Joseph Cemetery

222 Peck's Rd.
Pittsfield, MA 01201

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR **24**. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Dwyer Family Funeral Home
776 North Street
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Service

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Tribute Wall

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“ Love Chris and Barb. purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Ella M. Reardon.



Love Chris and Barb. - March 23, 2016 at 05:47 PM



“ 55 files added to the album Life Tributes



Dwyer Funeral Home Inc. - March 23, 2016 at 04:44 PM

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“ Patty lit a candle in memory of Ella M. Reardon



Patty - March 22, 2016 at 06:03 PM

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“ *Melissa/Sarah - Our hearts are so heavy for you. Aunty was truly a jewel. She laughed at me each time I told her that. She will be forever remembered as Aunt Leah's favorite and still had the heart of a Plymouth girl who needed to see the ocean to keep her balance. She could be counted on as my partner in crime at lunch time during my visits to Cranwell. She'd say, "Let me get my purse!" and she'd be ready to go. I loved sharing cappuccinos at Starbucks, Barnes & Noble and at our house with Aunty. Aunty Ella could never be exhausted from shopping and along with Aunty Janet, she was my biggest fan of potato casserole on Easter. Aunty's creative talents were without end - sewing, cooking, gardening, quilling years ago - she masterfully tackled each activity & project. She bestowed love on each of us. Thank you, thank you for letting me share some time with her last week. Love you both! - Trisha*

Trisha - March 22, 2016 at 03:41 PM

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“ *Trisha lit a candle in memory of Ella M. Reardon*



Trisha - March 22, 2016 at 03:14 PM