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Mary E. Johnson, 89, of Andover passed away Monday, July 18, 2011, at her home at Marland Place. She had previously lived at Andover Commons for over twenty years, after raising her family in Lawrence. Mary was born in the Tower Hill area of Lawrence, August 10, 1921. She was the daughter of Henry J. and Catherine T.(Collins) Newell. Mary graduated from Lawrence High School in 1939 and McIntosh business School in 1940. She worked at the IRS in Andover for many years, when her children were older. After retiring from the IRS, she was employed by Elder Services in the Merrimack Valley, where she made many wonderful friends. Mary attended St. Augustine's Church in Andover for the past 23 years. Prior to that, she was a member of St. Patrick's Parish in Lawrence. Mary enjoyed spending time with family and traveling to Florida, New York, and Ireland. She was also an avid theatergoer and enjoyed outings to Hampton Beach. She also enjoyed the company of her friends, both recent and lifelong ones. She was predeceased by her husband, John E. "Cubby" Johnson. Also two, brothers Harry and Matthew. Mary is survived by her son, John J, of New York City; her daughter, Elizabeth Johnson-Widlansky and husband, Dennis of Singer Island, FL; her son, Edward D. of Lawrence; her daughter, Catherine M. Johnson-Nolan and husband Edward of Tewksbury; and her daughter, Mary E. and life partner Elizabeth Smith of Seabrook, NH. Mary is also survived by four grandchildren, Matthew Widlansky and fianc., Benton Whitesides, Patrick Johnson-Nolan, Courtney Johnson-Nolan, and Sarah Widlansky, as well as her brother, Edward Newell and wife, Diana of North Carolina, and her sister, Catherine Briggs and husband Harry of Windham, NH. She is also survived by several nephews. Her funeral mass will be celebrated on Friday, July 22nd, 2011 at 11:00 a.m. in Saint Augustine's Church in Andover, Massachusetts. Burial will follow in the Immaculate Conception Cemetery in Lawrence, MA. Relatives and friends are cordially invited to call on Thursday, July 21st, 2011 from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. in



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the John Breen Memorial Funeral Home, Inc., 122 Amesbury Street, Lawrence, MA. For online condolences and other information please go to www.breenfuneralhome.com. Donations can be made to Elder Services of the Merrimack Valley, 360 Merrimack Street, Lawrence, MA. 01843 in Mary's memory.



Tribute Wall

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PH

Paula Hutton posted:

Dear Elizabeth, Kathy, Mary, Eddie, and Johnny, I was very sad to hear about the loss of your mother. I have wonderful childhood memories of spending time at your home on Market St. Your mother was always so welcoming and her sense of humor was exceptional. As times passes and your grief of her loss becomes less painful, sharing her memory will sustain your spirit. Hugs to all of you in her momory, Paula Mele Hutton

March 7 at 8:00 PM

TG

Thomas Garvey posted:

With deepest sympathy in your loss.

March 7 at 8:00 PM

PG

Paul Gibeault posted:

Mary always had a smile, and was always a pleasure to speak with. I shall always remember her fondly. With deepest sympathy in your loss.

March 7 at 8:00 PM

JR

Joanne Ratcliffe posted:

Dear Mary, I am so sorry. Your Mum will be with you always now and forever. You will be able to see your Mum in the rising sun. When the sun sets she will be right there saying goodnight to you. I am very sad for you and your family. Love Joanne xoxo

March 7 at 8:00 PM

JB

John And Bette Benjamin posted:

Mary and Family, So sorry to read of the passing of your mother. We know that many fond memories will help you through the difficult days ahead. You will be in our thoughts. Bette and John Benjamin Delray Beach, Florida

March 7 at 8:00 PM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Mary E. by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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