



Margaret E. (Haphey) Torla

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Margaret E. Torla, 98, passed away peacefully on Friday, January 8, 2016 at her home with her family by her side. Born in North Andover she was the youngest of 7 children of James and Jane Haphey. She attended North Andover public schools. During the depression she was proud to secure a job in the Lawrence mills as a duffer. When her brother opened the Blue Fox Restaurant after World War II, she joined the family business as a waitress. She continued to work at the Fox and many have fond memories of conversations with her at the bar. She was most proud of being an accomplished mixologist. Margaret supported each of the schools that her children attended and celebrated every graduation. For many years she volunteered in the North Andover Town Clerk's office and was president of St. Michael's guild for two years. She leaves behind her son Robert and his wife Ann Sibold of Falls Church, Virginia, daughter Cathy Dawson of North Andover and daughter-in-law Charlene Torla of Lowell, grandchildren Michael Torla of Chandler AZ, Jason of Seattle, Elizabeth and Margaret of Falls Church, Virginia, Tricia Dawson of New York City and Mathew Dawson of Salem MA, John E. Torla of Lowell, Suzanne Hall of Dracut, Cindy Torla Murphy of Danville, NH and Jill Torla of Lowell, nieces and nephews and 6 great grandchildren. She is predeceased by her husband John J. Torla, her son John R. Torla and her granddaughter Linda A. Torla.

ARRANGEMENTS: Visiting hours are Saturday January 16th from 10 to 11 A.M. at the John Breen Memorial Funeral Home, Inc., 35 Merrimack Street North Andover followed by a Mass of Christian Burial at 11:30 A.M. at Saint Michael Church, 196 Main Street, North Andover. Burial in Ridgewood Cemetery, North Andover. Memorials may be made in her name to Belllesini Academy, 94 Bradford St., Lawrence MA or Merrimack Valley Hospice, 360 Merrimack St., Lawrence MA. To send an online condolence or for more information, please go to www.breenfuneralhome.com.



Tribute Wall

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CD

Claude And Dine Dupuis posted:

We were so saddened to hear of the passing of Margaret, she was a wonderful woman who was loved by so many. She was so proud of her children and always spoke about them. I remember her days at the Blue Fox and laugh when I recall the days when I would call asking if my husband was there. She would never tell on him but when he would ask for a drink she would tell him "sorry you are not here". She was a great lady. Rest in peace Margaret. Fondly Dine and Claude

March 7 at 8:00 PM

EP

Erin Parisi posted:

Cathy, I am thinking of you and your family during this difficult time. Love, Erin

March 7 at 8:00 PM

MT

Mike Torla posted:

We offer our most sincere condolences. Kathy and Mike

March 7 at 8:00 PM

CD

Christine Diodati posted:

So sorry to hear about Margaret's passing she was sweet, friendly and always had a smile for everyone, we often saw her at the beauty shop on Saturdays she will be missed. Christine and Mary Diodati

March 7 at 8:00 PM



Memories only last if you share them

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



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