

Therese R. Johnston

April 8, 2020

Therese “Terry” R. Johnston, formerly of Scituate, RI passed away peacefully on Wednesday, April 8, 2020, at the age of 95 surrounded by her family at home in Deland Florida.

Born in Lawrence MA, she was the daughter of the late Calixte and Alexandra (Desrochers) LaRose returning to live in Canada and later moving back to Rhode Island to retain her citizenship.

Before moving to Florida in 2006, she raised her family in Scituate with her late husband of 55 years, Earl W. Johnston.

She was a volunteer for many years at the meal site at the Scituate Senior Center.

She moved to Deland Florida in 2006 where she remained active assisting residents at the Lutheran Health Center and volunteering at the Center Store where she could be found greeting customers living in the retirement community with a smile.

She was the loving mother of Diane DiFilippo, Marilyn P. Johnston, Janice A. Anderson and her husband Jim, Donna M. Kalunian and her husband Rick, the late Edward E. Johnston and the late Nancy D. O’Grady.

She is also survived by seven grandchildren, three great-grandchildren, and two great-great-grandchildren.

She was the sister of Rachelle Strong of Ontario, Canada and the late Roland LaRose, Jean Murray, Rita Desjardins and Pauline Glover

A Private Burial will be held at the RI Veterans Cemetery. A memorial mass

and celebration of life will be held at a later date.

In lieu of flowers donations in her memory may be made to Meals on Wheels in Florida or Rhode Island.

Tribute Wall

RK

“ Today I said a final goodbye to my mother-in-law. She was an amazing woman that welcomed me into her home and into her family over 30 years ago. She always made me feel like her second son. I am truly thankful for the blueberry cheesecakes I got at Thanksgiving when the other’s received Canadian meat pies-- she knew meat pie was not my favorite; She was always there for anyone in the family, including my children. I enjoyed all the visits to Florida over the past 15 years when we could just go for a ride or out for a bite to eat. Lots of memories, to many to list. I will miss her dearly and may she rest in peace.

Rick Kalunian - April 21, 2020 at 07:45 PM

Adam Kalunian

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Adam Kalunian - April 20, 2020 at 12:35 PM

DK

“ Donna M Kalunian sent a virtual gift in memory of Therese R. Johnston



Donna M Kalunian - April 19, 2020 at 08:13 PM

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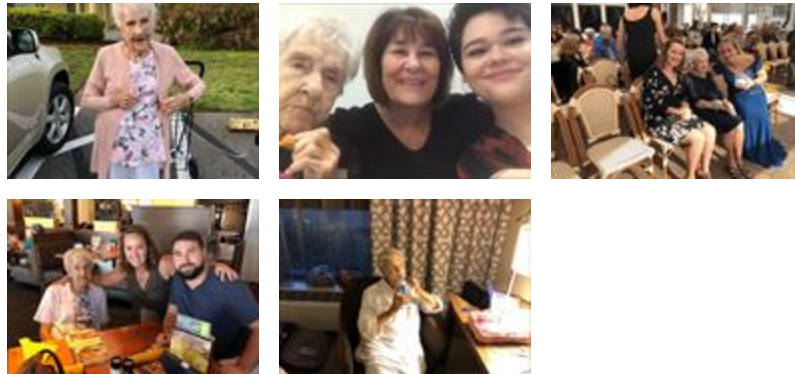
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Donna M Kalunian - April 19, 2020 at 08:12 PM

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Donna M Kalunian - April 19, 2020 at 07:49 PM

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Diane Johnston DiFilippo - April 18, 2020 at 08:33 PM

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Diane Johnston DiFilippo - April 18, 2020 at 08:27 PM

DD

“ My mother was the sweetest, kindest most loving person I ever knew. She looked at each day as anew beginning, full of hope and promise. She taught me how to be strong and independent and was always there for me whenever I needed her wisdom and support. She was an amazing grandmother to my kids and all her grandchildren. I'm so glad I had these last few months with her. I will miss her fabulous sense of humor and quick wit . She could always make me laugh. You're in the company of your beloved angels now , Mom starting a new day. I love you

Diane Johnston DiFilippo - April 18, 2020 at 04:50 PM

GJ

“ So many years ago, right before my eyes appeared the loveliest woman, one of the nicest I had encountered in many years, she opened her arms and welcomed me into her life, we talked about so many things in those years so comfortably, and took Shaun into her family and named as one of her grandsons, so sorry for your loss as her living family❤️❤️

Gail Johnston - April 18, 2020 at 03:37 PM

JF

“ Donna, Please know you and your family are in my prayers at this very sad time. May your mom Rest In Peace. Judy Finnegan

Judy Finnegan - April 18, 2020 at 10:48 AM

WJ

“ One of the strongest women I ever met, and I loved her. My heart goes with her, may she rest peacefully.
Wendy

Wendy Johnston - April 17, 2020 at 08:08 PM

DK

“ Words cannot express how I am feeling. I am so going to miss her smile, her jokes, just knowing she has always been there and just a phone call or a flight away. I will always hold you in my heart Mom.
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Donna Kalunian - April 17, 2020 at 04:42 PM



“ My grandmother was a beautiful woman inside and out. I can't find the words to describe what a wonderful caring awesome person she was. I will miss her so much. I love you grandma. Rest In Peace

Cassie Grovo - April 17, 2020 at 02:23 PM

SH

“ Such an amazing woman. I feel blessed to have known her. I can't remember a time she didn't have a smile on her face. So warm, so friendly and so funny. Thinking of all of you. I know how deeply she will be missed. Much love!

Sharon Hazard - April 17, 2020 at 02:22 PM

AC

“ She’s always on my mind in my heart ❤️ a pillar of perseverance and over coming !! I’ve constantly marveled at her resilience . I feel like even in death she simply overcame physical burdens to share spiritual journey 🌹🙏 A Real Gem of a Lady !! A Mother A Friend I for one and certainly not alone will Always Miss Her humor and “ Knowing “ smiles even from her eyes ❤️🌹 I feel honored to have shared this journey with Her and Her Beautiful Family 🌹❤️🙏 All Together A Very Special Gift from God to Us !!! Till We Meet Again Dear Lady 🙏💋

AnnMarie R Craig - April 17, 2020 at 11:29 AM

DL

so sorry for your loss !! she will be missed , but what a legacy she has left!! how to conquer this life with grace!!! we will all miss seeing this sweet spirit, in the salon on saturday’s !we will remember this beautiful angel , god has now called home !!!

diane leavens - April 17, 2020 at 12:26 PM

JA

“ The best mother in law ever. May she rest in peace. We will miss her greatly.

Jim Anderson

Jim Anderson - April 16, 2020 at 09:21 PM