



Rita Pelletier Breen

August 13, 1921 - November 16, 2009

Breen, Rita

Rita Pelletier Breen, 88, of West Hartford, died peacefully Monday, November 16, 2009, at the Glastonbury Health Care Center among family and friends. Born August 12, 1921 in Bristol, daughter of the late William Joseph and Margaret Agnes Pickett Pelletier she lived in East Hartford and for the last 45 years, in West Hartford. She is survived by a son Thomas F. Breen Jr. and his wife Kimberly of Harwich, MA, and a daughter Elizabeth M. Breen of Hartford; a sister Marion Pires of Bloomfield, three grandchildren Thomas F. Breen III, James A. Breen and his wife Carol, and Leslie B. Hersom and her husband Andrew, and 5 great-grandchildren, Sarah, Andrew, Colin, Max, and Avery. She was predeceased by her husband Thomas F. Breen, her brother Lawrence Pelletier and her sister Elizabeth A. Nichols. Rita loved her home and enjoyed visits from her family and friends along with all the excitement of her great-grandchildren. Her many kind and understanding neighbors made West Hartford a very special place to live. She participated in many civic activities but her favorite and most rewarding was the Women s Auxiliary of Saint Francis Hospital which she served on for many years. The funeral service will be held Friday, November 20 at 10:00 a.m. at St. Peter Claver Church, 47 Pleasant St., West Hartford. Burial will follow in Fairview Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Women s Auxiliary of Saint Francis Hospital, 114 Woodland St., Hartford, CT. 06105 or The Masonic Charity Foundation, 111 Founders Plaza, Suite 200, East Hartford, CT 06108. Online expressions of sympathy may be made at www.molloyfuneralhome.com

Tribute Wall



“ Dear Family Members,
On behalf of my deceased parents Dan & Dot Walsh and myself, I extend condolences to you. We knew your parents from when they moved to WH. Your dad was so thoughtful every snow storm as he plowed our sidewalk faithfully. In recent years as my parents raked leaves for fall clean-up, your mom would come across to our yardrake in hand and join in the work saying "neighbors helping neighbors". I shall always remember their kindness to our family. Maureen Walsh###imported-begin##Maureen Walsh###imported-end##

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“ As a child, I lived across the street from Rita in East Hartford. I remember her sense of style and her friendly charm. I considered her to be glamorous. Rita and my mom played bridge together in a ladies group, and we were sad when the family left our neighborhood. I still have old black and white photos of Betsy and Tom and their beagle Smokey? in the front yard of the house on Forest Street. My sympathies are with your entire family. I'm sorry for your loss.###imported-begin##Linda Andresen Couture###imported-end##

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“ Tom, Ed and I along with the rest of our family share in the loss of your mother. We had the good fortune of knowing Rita and sharing some Easter dinners with her. We will all miss her. We send our love and prayers to you and the rest of the family. Love, Lisa, Ed, Ryan and Abbey Hood###imported-begin##Lisa & Ed Hood###imported-end##

November 18, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ I'd like to extend my condolences to Aunt Rita's children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. I remember Aunt Rita's spunk, beauty and sense of humor. Aunt Rita completed the circle of the "Breen" brothers and their wives. I know she is with her husband Tom as well as my Dad, John, Uncle George, Uncle Joe and their beloved sister, Aunt Agnes. With fond memories, Judy Breen Philbin and Bill Philbin.###imported-begin##Judy Breen Philbin###imported-end##

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“ I am extending my condolences to Rita's family. You certainly have many hysterical Rita stories that you will be sharing with each other for years. Yes, she will remain alive in your memories forever. I still remember her dancing up a storm at Leslie's wedding. What a feisty lady!###imported-begin##Cindy Field###imported-end##

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“ ah, Aunt Rita...always with her head tilted up, her comments positive, a smile on her face....with all the nieces and nephews, she never forgot which one I was. These things impressed me as a child. As an adult, I was impressed by the same...and more: her energy, her independent spunk, her determination, ... and her kindness of spirit. Aunt Rita...I will always smile when I think of you. Love, Patricia
###imported-begin##Patricia Breen Jasniewicz###imported-end##

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