



Rose Viggiano Graziadei

September 23, 2020

Rose Graziadei, 104, beloved wife to her late husband, William D. Graziadei Jr., passed away quietly with family at her bedside, on September 23, 2020, at The Reservoir in West Hartford. She was born in Hartford on August 18, 1916 to the late Joseph and Theresa Viggiano (Pascuccio) following their emigration from Stigliano, Italy in 1908. She is survived by her sons William of Torrance CA, and his wife Lynne, Joseph of Biddeford ME, and his wife Bethany, Robert of Farmington, and his wife Kathryn, 10 grandchildren, 8 great-grandchildren, and several nieces and nephews. Rose was predeceased by her brothers Anthony and Fred Viggiano, and sister Mary Riccio. She was a graduate of Bulkeley High School and Hartford Secretarial School, with subsequent careers in the insurance industry and as a paraprofessional and teacher of English as a Second Language (ESL) at Hartford High School. Rose maintained a firm but loving hand during the development and education of 'her boys', and loved to tease and be teased. As a woman of strong religious faith, she secretly baptized two grandchildren when parents refused. Family was always a priority evidenced in her relationship with her grandchildren, her family gatherings, and of course, her superb Italian cooking skills. Remember the fried ravioli and homemade sausage delicately laced in her calzone. In quiet moments, Rose would be found reading a Danielle Steel bestseller. Often off-key, she loved to sing, and listen to her husband at the piano. During sleepovers with her grandchildren, she enjoyed games like Catch Phrase, comic dancing, costume dress-ups,

and make-up parties. In a sense, she was the sweetest matriarch who will be dearly missed. Funeral service and burial are private. Arrangements are entrusted to Molloy Funeral Home, West Hartford. In lieu of flowers, please make a memorial donation to TESOL / Advancing Excellence in ESL Teaching: <https://www.tesol.org/support-tesol/donate>.

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Kevin M Graziadei - September 28, 2020 at 06:00 PM

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Kevin Graziadei - September 28, 2020 at 05:51 PM

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“ *Dr. Bob, Your mother Rose was such a beautiful woman. What an amazing long life she lived. We know she will be missed. Our deepest condolences to you and the Graziadei family, John and Barbara Galvin*

John Galvin - September 27, 2020 at 02:08 PM

“ *The Prophet*

Kahlil Gibran on Death

*You would know the secret of death.
But how shall you find it unless you seek it in the heart of life?*

*The owl whose night-bound eyes are blind unto the day cannot
unveil the mystery of light.*

*If you would indeed behold the spirit of death, open your heart wide
unto the body of life.*

For life and death are one, even as the river and the sea are one.

*In the depth of your hopes and desires lies your silent knowledge of
the beyond;*

*And like seeds dreaming beneath the snow your heart dreams of
spring.*

Trust the dreams, for in them is hidden the gate to eternity.

*Your fear of death is but the trembling of the shepherd when he
stands before the king whose hand is to be laid upon him in honour.*

*Is the shepherd not joyful beneath his trembling, that he shall wear
the mark of the king?*

Yet is he not more mindful of his trembling?

*For what is it to die but to stand naked in the wind and to melt into
the sun?*

*And what is it to cease breathing, but to free the breath from its
restless tides, that it may rise and expand and seek God
unencumbered?*

Only when you drink from the river of silence shall you indeed sing.

And when you have reached the mountain top, then you shall begin

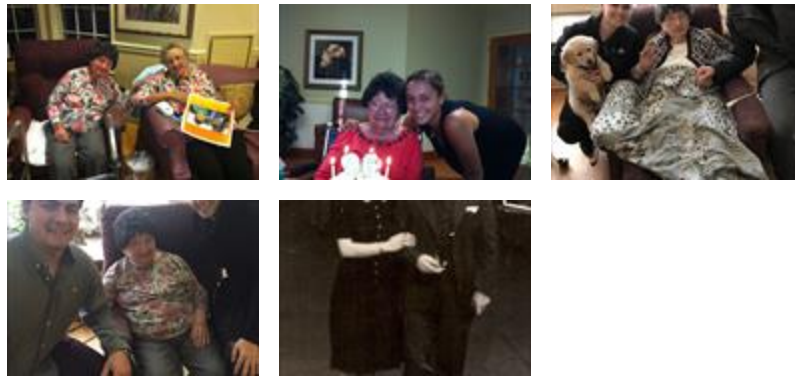
to climb.

And when the earth shall claim your limbs, then shall you truly dance.

Mark C Graziadei - September 26, 2020 at 10:11 PM

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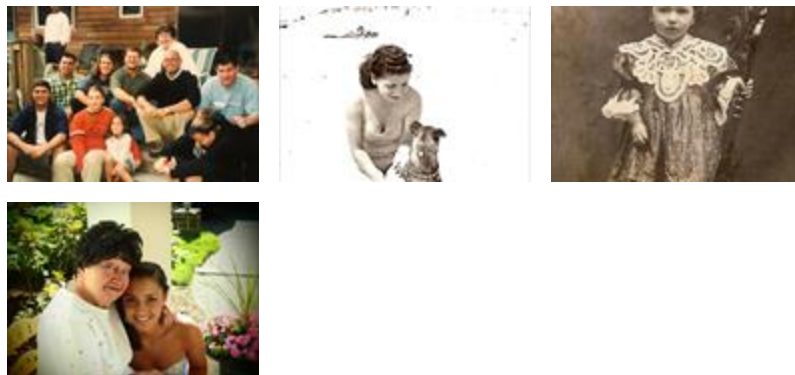
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