



Mrs. Valderese M. Gregoire

August 2, 1935 - July 31, 2020

Claremont, NH

Valderese M. Gregoire, 84, of North Street, Claremont, NH died at her home surrounded by her children on Friday, July 31, 2020 eight weeks after discovering that she had cancer. Born in Newport, NH on August 2, 1935 she was the daughter of Joseph N. Goyette and Marie Reine Beatrice Desrosiers. Val was raised in Goshen, NH, graduated from Towle High School in Newport, NH and attended Keene State College. She was a paraprofessional with the Claremont School District for over 30 years retiring in June 1996. On September 18, 1954, Val married the love of her life, Earl F. Gregoire. On September 18, 2019 Val and Earl celebrated 65 years of marriage renewing their wedding vows on that day with their children present. Earl passed away exactly one week later. Their romance began as children. As a child, Val's older sister lived next door to Earl. One winter's day while Val was visiting her sister, Earl pulled Val out of a snow bank. It was love at first sight. Many people remember Val as their Brownie and Girl Scout leader, teacher. Many also remember her Teddy Bear picnics in her yard. Val belonged to the Catholic Daughters of America and was very involved with St. Joseph Church being part of the church choir and the organist for many years. One of the favorite songs she sang was The Holy City, a very difficult song to sing. Her voice was so very beautiful it would bring tears to the eyes of those who would hear her sing it. Of their 65 years of marriage 64 years were at the same house on North Street where they raised their five children. In their later years Val and Earl enjoyed driving around town on their scooters to the area where they met and to downtown Claremont. Val will be remembered most for her cheerful and positive disposition and her sense of humor. She loved to laugh. She always had a kind word for everyone and loved people. These wonderful characteristics would help her through the last eight weeks of her life knowing that her time on earth was limited and that she would be joining her beloved Earl. Val was an inspiration to her children. During her final weeks she continued to be her cheerful self, suffering through pain, apologizing for being so much trouble. Even in her final hours she would often smile and whisper that she loved us. Her message she wanted to relay to her nieces and nephews was that she would be seeing their mothers soon so they had better be good. Even near the end she had a wonderful sense of humor. She was loved by all who knew her. She was

predeceased by her beloved husband, Earl F. Gregoire, her parents, Joseph N. Goyette and Marie Reine Beatrice Desrosiers; one brother, Paul Emile Goyette; her sisters, Verongere Goyette, Anita Granger, Jeannine Truell, Theresa Serbian, Patricia Pelletier and Denise Benware. Survivors include her children, Anna Marie Houde and her husband, Donald of Somersworth, NH; Darlene Gregoire Royce and her husband, Michael of Vero Beach, FL; Stephen Earl Gregoire of Croydon, NH; James F. Gregoire and his wife, Janet of Claremont, NH; Fred J. Gregoire of Claremont, NH; 9 grandchildren, 16 great grandchildren and several nieces and nephews. A public walk through visitation will be held at the Roy Funeral Home, 93 Sullivan Street, Claremont, NH on Wednesday, August 5, 2020 from 6 pm to 8 pm. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic the Gregoire family and the funeral home ask all attending the visitation to abide with all the regulations and please wear a mask and practice social distancing. Due to COVID-19, the funeral will be private.

Cemetery

Saint Mary's Cemetery

Plains Road

Claremont, NH, 03743

Events

AUG Visitation 06:00PM - 08:00PM

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Roy Funeral Home

93 Sullivan St., Claremont, NH, US, 03743

Comments



“ An external video has been added.



Roy Funeral Home - August 06, 2020 at 09:27 AM



“ I'm so sorry to hear about Val passing. Both Val and Earl welcomed me into their home and hearts and I will be forever grateful to had the opportunity in my life to know them and love them, still to this day I think of them playing wonderful music in their home.

And the New Year's Eve gatherings in their cellar, what a special time in my life that was gifted to me to be able to be that happy surrounded by such God loving souls.

Thank you Val And Earl for some of the best times in my life, you will both be missed.

My thoughts and prayers are with the whole family, may your hearts heal and the memories of your parents live on forever.

Much love
Mitzie Burger

mitzie burger - August 16, 2020 at 06:48 PM



“ To the family: So sorry to hear of Valderese's passing. As a teen, I remember going to your home, often with my best friend Doreen, and it was full of fun and music. Some of my best teenage memories are of Steven playing music in your warm home, and play pool with him and Jim. Your family always welcomed Doreen and me into your home as if we were members of your family. Thank you for the memories.
Roberta (Beauman) Hood

Roberta(Beauman) Hood - August 11, 2020 at 02:41 PM



“ To the family of Valderese Gregoire, I am so sad to hear of her passing. I first met her when she was a Girl Scout leader with my mom. Later in years I met her again when Jim got his Eagle Scout Award. I then worked with her in the Title I Program for the SAU in Claremont, She was such a sweet lady. She had such a great passion for working with children. Cherish all the memories as they will help with the healing.
Bobbi Chamberlain

roberta chamberlain - August 06, 2020 at 08:45 PM



“ I was a neighbor of the Goyette's when they lived on RT 10 in Goshen. I remember Valderese well. In later years, I saw her in Claremont. I mostly remember her singing, her dedication to God and her family. It was a blessing to know her and Earl. My prayers are with her family and friends as you grieve the loss of this special lady. God bless everyone of you.
Penny (Warburton) Davis
Newport

Penny Warburton Davis - August 06, 2020 at 11:54 AM



“ Mrs. Gregoire was my neighbor growing up. She and Mr. Gregoire were some of my favorite people. They were always sweet to my older brother and me, when we had to retrieve our balls and Frisbees from their backyard, and Mrs Gregoire always ordered from every fund raiser I sold from. I don't think she needed anything I was selling, but she always wanted to help out a young entrepreneur. She was a lovely lady who will be sorely missed. Love to all her family.
Yenda'Me (Bourque) Malia from Chellis St.

Yenda'Me - August 05, 2020 at 07:45 PM



“ I have so many fond memories growing up near Mrs. Gregoire and having her in school.
One of the nicest people I have ever known! My thoughts and prayers to the family.
Rest in peace.
Becki Fowler Deschamps



Becki Fowler Deschamps - August 05, 2020 at 08:43 AM



“ Sad to lose such a sweet lady.....My love and prayers to all of the family and friends....
Well Val --- you all can play Uno and cards and beautiful music again.

Love,
Dorothy, Melody

Dorothy Daltorio - August 04, 2020 at 01:09 PM



“ She was among the kindest person I have ever known. I especially remember how her father-in-law, Uncle Fred, would speak so proudly of her. May she rest in Peace.

Raymond Gagnon - August 04, 2020 at 11:05 AM



“ Mrs. Gregoire was my VERY favorite person when I attended North Street School (that was a lot of years ago) and she always remembered me when I would see her later in years. She was a angel on earth, so I am sure she is flying high as an angel in heaven. Rest well my friend.

Cora

Cora Tewksbury Farnsworth - August 04, 2020 at 08:14 AM



“ from Nancy, Anita, Al, and Brenda purchased the Guiding Light Bouquet for the family of Mrs. Valderese M. Gregoire.



from Nancy, Anita, Al, and Brenda - August 03, 2020 at 08:22 PM



“ We loved this lady. We sang in the church choir, sang at her home, sang everywhere. Such a beautiful voice. Her work in the schools was kind and caring. I loved working with her. I will miss her smile and her hearty laugh when Ron told her a joke. We will miss you Val. God's speed to his heavenly arms and your reunion with Earl.

Ron & Marilyn Gilbert - August 03, 2020 at 06:40 PM



“ Val was a beautiful lady inside and out with voice of an angel. That smile lit up a room. May God grant you peace.

Christine - August 05, 2020 at 06:04 AM



“ The Risk Team purchased the Heartfelt Memories for the family of Mrs. Valderese M. Gregoire.



The Risk Team - August 03, 2020 at 05:31 PM



“ Love to you, Gary, Laurie, and Norman purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Mrs. Valderese M. Gregoire.



Love to you, Gary, Laurie, and Norman - August 03, 2020 at 04:22 PM