



Mrs. Evelyn M. Leonesio

November 27, 1923 - July 12, 2018

Mrs. Evelyn M. (Bissaillon) Leonesio, 94, of Adams, died Thursday morning, July 12, 2018, at Berkshire Medical Center, North Adams.

She was born in Williamstown on November 27, 1923, a daughter of the late Victor and Ida (Blake) Bissaillon, and attended schools in North Adams.

Mrs. Leonesio worked at the former Sprague Electric Co. in North Adams for a number of years, and had also worked at the former W.R. Grace Co. and Adams Rest Home, both in Adams.

She was a communicant of the Parish of St. John Paul II at Notre Dame des Sept Douleurs Church, Adams. She was an avid reader, and was an expert quilter, who researched historical quilt patterns and crafted many unique quilts. Evelyn kept her creatively decorated house spotless. She loved visits from her three children and grandchildren, and always baked special treats for their arrival. You never went home empty handed. She cherished her special time with her adored niece, Nancy Bishop. Her husband, Hugo P. Leonesio, died on August 27, 1999.

She is survived by her children, Chris Leonesio and his husband, Paul Bruemmer, of Watertown, MA; Carol Leonesio of Watertown, MA; and Michael Leonesio and his wife, Sharmila Choudhury of Washington, DC; three grandchildren, including Sarah Glaser and her husband, David; and Alexis and Gabriel Leonesio; as well as many nieces, nephews, grandnieces and grandnephews.

She was predeceased by a brother, Leo Bissaillon; and by three sisters, Victoria Niles, Alice St. Pierre and Doris Tibbetts.

The funeral will be held on Tuesday, July 17th, at 10:30 AM from the PACIOREK FUNERAL HOME, 13 Hoosac St. Adams, followed by a Liturgy of Christian Burial at 11:00 AM in Notre Dame des Sept Douleurs Church. Burial will follow in Bellevue Cemetery, Adams. Calling hours are Tuesday morning from 9:30 until 10:30 at the funeral home. Memorial donations may be made to the Adams Free Library, 92 Park St. Adams, MA 01220, or to Elder Services of Berkshire County, 877 Wendell Ave. Pittsfield, MA 01201. To leave a message of condolence, please go online to www.paciorekfuneral.com

Cemetery Details

Bellevue Cemetery

Bellevue Ave.
Adams, MA 01220

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 17. 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM (ET)

Paciorek Funeral Home
13 Hoosac Street
Adams, MA 01220
(413) 743-0815
jspaciorek@gmail.com
<https://www.paciorekfuneral.com/>

Liturgy of Christian Burial

JUL 17. 11:00 AM (ET)

Notre Dame des Sept Douleurs Church
McKinley Square
Adams, MA 01220

Tribute Wall

PE

“ Dear Carol and Chris, so sorry to read about your mom's passing. Your mom was always so kind to me. Wow, could she cook! I was such a dork back then and never realized the goodness in her nor properly thanked her. She taught me how to sew and stitch correctly and I have never been long without a button my whole life because of it. With deepest prayers, Pete

Pete - June 23, 2021 at 04:50 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mrs. Evelyn M. Leonesio.



July 18, 2018 at 07:30 AM



“ Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Mrs. Evelyn M. Leonesio.



July 16, 2018 at 03:13 PM

AH

“ Dear Carol, Sarah & Dave,
I am so saddened to learn of your Mom's/Grandmother's passing. I rejoice with you that you had her in your lives for so many years, and especially that she knew her new great-granddaughter will bear her name. She seemed so happy at your baby shower, Sarah. Clearly she stayed engaged with her family and friends right to the last.
Your Mom was a good friend to my Mom, dropping her little notes in the mail now and again, and occasionally chatting over the phone. They did stay in touch right up to the end. Mom will be so saddened to learn the news.
Please accept my deepest sympathy.
Love, Ann/Auntie

Ann Harris - July 14, 2018 at 08:18 PM

CL

Thanks for your kind words, Ann. My Mom loved corresponding and talking with your Mom, and would always ask me how she was doing. I'm glad they got the chance to connect again in person just a few weeks ago. xo, Carol

Carol Leonesio - July 18, 2018 at 12:25 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Mrs. Evelyn M. Leonesio.*



July 14, 2018 at 03:53 PM

AV

“ *Great memories of spending time with her in the summer along with Sarah and Alexis. Going to Bonanza, and making waterslides out of old shower curtains. Now she can keep my grandma company, she's been waiting for her for a long time. Thinking of all of you.*

Amy Vinceny - July 14, 2018 at 02:48 PM

CL

Amy, I think I have a pic of your shower curtain water slide somewhere! I will send it to you when I find. Thanks for all your support. xo, Carol

Carol Leonesio - July 18, 2018 at 12:27 PM

MF

“ *Carol - we are sorry to hear of your beloved Mother's death. May her legacy live on through you. Everytime at gaze at my daughters ceiling and your cloud mural I think of you. The beautiful cloud mural continues to grace us. May you find the peace I find in that image.*

Madeline Fine

Madeline Fine - July 14, 2018 at 12:45 PM

GD

Chris, Carol and Mike

I met your lovely Mother approximately 40 years ago when we visited in the family home. I can still smell those delicious Italian aromas that penetrated throughout. I think we have exchanged Christmas cards every year since, with her commenting on watching my child and grandchildren grow through photos shared. My sincere condolences to all of you but more than that I say lucky you for being her children. Life well done !!

Gay Davis

Gay Davis - July 16, 2018 at 04:01 PM

CL

Gay, thanks for your kind words. xo, Carol

Carol Leonesio - July 18, 2018 at 12:58 PM

CL

Thank you so much, Gay. Mike caught me up on your visit to Wisconsin a couple of weeks ago. I'm so glad you and Mike had a chance to visit with Vince before he passed. I have such fond memories of visiting all of you in England many years ago, and the subsequent get-togethers in Mass. and N.C. I hope our paths can cross again some time in the not-too-distant future.

Chris Leonesio - July 19, 2018 at 02:58 PM

LC

*“ I was actually just thinking about Mrs Leonesio this morning for some reason. I have so many great memories of Mrs. Leonesio from back when we were neighbors in the 60's and from when I used to visit Carol after we moved to Vt. She was always so nice. I remember her baking and my younger brother and sister going to stand at her back door waiting for a treat. My condolences to Carol, Chris and Michael and their families.
Lynn Beckwith*

Lynn Beckwith Clement - July 14, 2018 at 12:05 PM

CL

Thank you, Lynn. You and your family were such a presence at 56 Fisk Road all those years ago. Fond regards to you and your family.

Chris Leonesio - July 21, 2018 at 01:34 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mrs. Evelyn M. Leonesio.



July 14, 2018 at 10:44 AM

CS

“ My sincere sympathies to you and your families Carol. She must have been very special to have such a great daughter. I'll always remember her contributions of paint containers. Xoxo

chris smith - July 14, 2018 at 08:37 AM

CL

Chris, you are too funny. xo, Carol

Carol Leonesio - July 18, 2018 at 12:59 PM

CN

“ I always will cherish our visits with Aunt Evelyn. She still called us the kids. The kids will be over this weekend. Yes Aunt Eve we are still all your kids. You had a long and wonderful life full of happiness.
Say Hi to Mom, Uncle Hugo and Grandma and Grandpa Bissaillon.. Love you.
Rest in peace.
Claudia

Claudia Niles - July 14, 2018 at 07:37 AM

CL

So glad that you were able to be with us at the service, Claudia. Much love to you, Sam, and Amy.

Chris Leonesio - July 21, 2018 at 01:35 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mrs. Evelyn M. Leonesio.



July 13, 2018 at 06:37 PM