



Melanie Anton

September 23, 1922 - May 18, 2011

Mrs. Melanie Bernadette (Gutowski) Anton, 88, of 44 Summer St. Adams, died Wednesday morning, May 18, 2011, at North Adams Regional Hospital. She was born in Adams on September 23, 1922, a daughter of the late Casimer and Katherine (Lenartowicz) Gutowski. She graduated from St. Stanislaus Elementary School, Adams, and from the former Adams High School with the Class of 1940.

Mrs. Anton worked at the former Sprague Electric Co. in North Adams during World War II, and then left to become a homemaker and raise her family for 16 years. She then returned to work in the office of the former W.B. Plunkett Memorial Hospital, Adams, and last worked in the office of the former Waverly Fabrics division of F. Schumacher & Co. in Adams until retiring.

She was a communicant of the Parish of Pope John Paul the Great in Adams, and had been a communicant of St. Stanislaus Kostka Church for over 70 years. She had been a member of the St. Stanislaus Children of Mary Society and the St. Stanislaus Rosary Sodality.

She was loved and will be missed by all her family and friends. She had a sensitive heart that made others feel loved. She touched so many lives with her warmth and kindness. Love never dies.

Her husband, Edward W. Anton, whom she married on August 15, 1942, died on March 24, 1992.

She is survived by 2 sons, Richard Anton of Adams, and Warren Anton and his wife, Lauren, of Arlington, VA;

a daughter, Robin Cernik and her husband, Larry, of Durham, N.C., her beloved grandchildren, Nicky, Erik and Corrie Vallieres and Brian Anton; her 4 great grandchildren, Skyler, Yasmin, Brady and Brennan; her sister and best friend, Irene Belch and her husband, Joseph, of Adams; her constant companion, her beloved dog Bear; and several nieces, nephews, grandnieces and grandnephews.

She was predeceased by a sister, Lillian Piwko.

The funeral will be held on Saturday, May 21st, at 11:00 AM from the PACIOREK FUNERAL HOME, 13 Hoosac St. Adams, followed by a Liturgy of Christian Burial at 12 Noon in the Parish Church of Pope John Paul the Great, Adams, celebrated by Rev. Daniel J. Boyle, Pastor.

Burial will follow in St. Stanislaus Kostka Cemetery, Adams.

Calling hours are Friday from 5 to 7 PM at the funeral home. Members of the St. Stanislaus Rosary Sodality will meet at the funeral home on Friday at 4:40 PM to pay their respects and recite the Rosary.

Memorial donations may be made to the Berkshire Humane Society through the funeral home.