



Reina (Cote) Parks

June 26, 1928 - March 20, 2018

Reina (Cote) Parks, 89, of Lawrence, passed away on March 20, 2018 at the High Point House in Haverhill surrounded by her devoted family. Born on June 26, 1928 to her hardworking parents, the late Eli and Lumina (Blanchette) Cote in Lawrence, she graduated from Lawrence High School. A lifelong devoted Catholic, she married her beloved sweetheart, Gordon D. Parks Sr, in a simple ceremony in 1953 at St. Ann's in Lawrence. Reina was devoted to her family, especially visits and facetimeing great-grandchildren. As a homemaker, she enjoyed cooking, sewing, gardening, country music, and she also was a member of the Central Catholic Ladies League. She worked for several years at Sylvania in Danvers and worked as a crossing guard as well. Reina was always very generous and selfless, volunteering many hours at the Immaculate Conception Nursing Home, where she also made many friends. She touched many lives and will fondly be loved, cherished, and missed by all.

Reina is survived by her seven children; her daughter, R. Elaine Teoli and her husband Don of NH, her son, Gordon D. Parks Jr and his wife Denise of NH, her daughter, Susan B. McCormick and her husband Richard of MA, her daughter Nancy L. Parks-Smith of Maine, her son, Thomas D. Parks Sr. of SC, her daughter, Jean J. Beauchesne of WI, and her son P. David Parks of FL. She was the proud grandmother and great-grandmother to her 16 grandchildren and 9 great-grandchildren. Reina was the beloved sister to her two brothers, Robert Cote of MA and Joseph Cote of NH. She is also survived by several nieces and nephews. In addition to her parents, Reina was preceded in death by her husband, Gordon D. Parks Sr in 2002 with whom she celebrated nearly 5 decades of marriage and her sister Georgette Cross.

Visitation for Reina will be held on Wednesday, March 28, 2018 from 11 AM – 1 PM at the Kenneth H. Pollard Funeral Home, 233 Lawrence Street, Methuen. A funeral service will be held at the conclusion of calling hours. Interment to follow at St Mary Immaculate Conception Cemetery, 29 Barker St, Lawrence, MA. Contribution in Reina's memory can be made to Bridgewell, 10 Dearborn Rd, Peabody, MA 01960. To leave an online condolence please visit www.pollardfuneralhome.com. The Kenneth H. Pollard Funeral Home is proud to serve the Parks family.

Events

MAR **Calling Hours** 11:00AM - 01:00PM

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MAR **Service** 01:00PM

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Comments



“ I remember many christmas's together.. many visits she was such a very close friend of my moms. Us kids grew up together. I'm so very sorry for your loss. It's never easy loosing a loved one. But one day we will all meet again. My prayers to you all. Love you , Patti (Desrosiers) Casper

Patti (Desrosiers)Casper - May 01, 2018 at 02:44 PM



“ Sorry to hear of Aunt Reina's passing. I remember fondly the Sunday family gatherings at the camp. I think of her every Christmas when I hang that big stocking she made, and what a great job she did making it. She would make oatmeal cookies for my Dad on his birthday every year, and he loved them. It was that one gift he so looked forward to getting. My Dad told me that she would send him oatmeal cookies when he was stationed overseas. I love that she did that, the love of a sister for her baby brother, so special. I make him oatmeal cookies for his birthday now because he looks forward to them, but he tells me they aren't as good as Aunt Reina's! Our thoughts and prayers to you all,
Shirley and David Leith

Shirley Lieth - March 27, 2018 at 02:07 PM



“ So sorry to learn of your mothers passing. She was such a caring and giving person. Paula and I still hang the Christmas stockings she made for us so many years ago. A red one and a green one, both filled with so much love!

She will always share a cherished spot in my memories.

Deepest Sympathies,
Paula and Gilbert

Gilbert Cote - March 26, 2018 at 09:46 PM



“ Elaine,

My sympathies to you and your family on the loss of your mother. She was such a sweet lady. She was always smiling when I would see her at MI. May your many happy memories bring all of you peace and comfort.

Sincerely,

Mary Wheeler-Gosselin

Mary Wheeler-Gosselin - March 24, 2018 at 11:19 PM