



June Lavalley

June 8, 1929 - September 29, 2024

SHIRLEY: June Philomena Lavalley - Poet / Artist, passed away peacefully at age 95.

Born in Tewksbury, MA in 1929, she spent her fondest childhood years in Maine. Graduated 1947, Bartlett High School, Webster, MA. Associate in Human Services, Mt. Wachusett Community College, 1982. B.A in English, Professional Writing, Fitchburg State University, 1986.

Married in 1948 to Lawrence N. Lavalley. Well-known local artist, with exhibits at Harvard Public Library, Fitchburg Savings, and Lawrence Academy in Groton. A poet, she had given many readings, Florence Roche School, Barnes & Noble, Trinity Chapel in Shirley, and more. She has several volumes of poetry completed, and has published *Echoes of the Muse* (1996).

She leaves children, Lise of Charlotte, NC, David of Columbia, SC and Lawrence of Port Charlotte, FL, six grandchildren, three great grandchildren, and is preceded in death by daughter, Laurie.

In addition to a lifetime of creativity, June made a lasting impact on many lives as a committed member of her spiritual community for over 44 years.

Dear God,

Watch me as I sleep,
I may not wake, but
Please don't weep.
Just scatter me o'er beach and sea,
and happy I will ever be.

Take my lovely and beloved things
To share between my
children and their offspring.
God, please let there no anger be.
Do that for me, and tenderly.

What I leave is not of earth,
But longer lasting,
With much more worth.
Happiness to those I love,
peace of mind from God above,
kindness to your fellow man
helping others all you can.
The greatest love shall ever be
from your Mom, eternally.

– June Philomena to her children

A private family gathering will be held on Plum Island in Newburyport, MA. To honor and remember June, visit your local library and if you're in the Devens area, sit by Robbins Pond and enjoy the natural beauty.

Donations can be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital at stjude.org

Tribute Wall

LB

“ Lisa B. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of June Lavallee.

Lisa B. - October 07, 2024 at 04:48 PM

DH

“ June was a wonderful, talented artist and poet. I enjoyed her visits to my bookstore over many years whenever she was in Webster. It was an honor to know her and share her work. Sincerest condolences to you and your family.

Debra Horan - October 02, 2024 at 10:38 PM

LH

“ I'm at Robbins Pond. Five geese are floating by. You had a great life my friend. You have a great family. Rest in peace. Lea and Bob

Lea Huxley - October 02, 2024 at 05:12 PM

DC

“ With Love Debra & Kevin Cassidy. Sorry for your loss.

Debra J Cassidy - October 01, 2024 at 06:27 PM

LL

“ From peak poetry writing days



Lise Lavallee - October 01, 2024 at 01:38 PM



“ *A painting by June for the wedding of Laurie and Doug*

Douglas Cooper - October 01, 2024 at 11:52 AM



“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Douglas Cooper - October 01, 2024 at 11:51 AM

LL

Love that one ☀️

Lise Lavallee - October 01, 2024 at 12:09 PM

MR

“ *The first two photos is a visit that me and Kitty made on August 25, 2015. We were entertained by June as she played her piano for us in which we enjoyed so much and it was so wonderful to listen to her God-given talent! The third photo is when Larry & Kitty went to visit June of this year and I had asked them before they left that when they got to June's home if they would do a video call so she could play the piano for me and this is the photo from the video call and it was such a blessing to once again see her and hear that beautiful music what a blessing God gave her to bless others. I will always hold that memory dear to me!!*



Marlene Reali - October 01, 2024 at 11:30 AM

LL

“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



Lise Lavalée - October 01, 2024 at 10:07 AM

MS

Such a wonderful tribute. Sending lots of love and prayers for the family she left behind.

Melissa Street - October 01, 2024 at 10:58 AM

TC

Beautiful! Her poem brings sweet tears. Love, peace and blessings to all of you!

Trish Campbell - October 01, 2024 at 11:07 AM