



## Roberta J. Nowak

December 27, 1934 - December 2, 2020

PEABODY – Roberta J. (Allen) Nowak, 86 of Peabody, passed away on Wednesday, December 2, 2020 at Care One at Peabody Nursing Home. Born in Boston on January 27, 1934, Roberta was born to the late James C. and Dorothy (Wilson) Allen.

Roberta had a very successful career with Polaroid which expanded over 30 years. She was a strong-willed, independent woman who was extremely proud of all her children and grandchildren and loved spending lots of time with them; whether it was during the holidays, sitting and sipping tea while watching her game shows, or going through old family photos she'd taken over the years.

Roberta is lovingly survived by her sons, Robert Tompkins, and his wife Courtney of Sierra Vista, AZ, James Tompkins, and his late wife Deborah of Fort Pierce, FL and Steven Tompkins, and his wife Donna of Ayer; grandchildren, James, and his wife Michelle, Denene, and her husband Shawn, Christopher, Sharon, Shaun, and his wife Kara, Rebecca, and her husband David, Aliza, Tim, Aaron, Christina, and Steven; great-grandchildren, Jordyn, Steven, Kassandra, Jason, Harlow, Audrina, Anthony, Eli, Dominic, Tiana, Deanna, Benjamin, Sam, Payton, David, Christopher, Robert and Gabriella; great-great grandchildren, Maddison, Kristopher and Gavin. In addition to her parents, Roberta was predeceased by her children, David Nowak, Kenneth Tompkins and Cathleen Layton; and her sister, Mary Koutrakis.

A Memorial Service for Roberta will be held at the Anderson Funeral Home, 25 Fitchburg Road, Ayer on Wednesday, December 9, 2020 at 6:00 PM. Visiting Hours will be held from 5:00 – 6:00 PM prior to the service. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Roberta's memory to the Wounded Warriors Project at [www.woundedwarriorproject.org](http://www.woundedwarriorproject.org). To leave an online condolence, please visit Roberta's Tribute Wall at [www.andersonfuneral.com](http://www.andersonfuneral.com).

# Previous Events

## Memorial Visitation

DEC 9. 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Anderson Funeral Home - Ayer  
25 Fitchburg Road ~ Route 2A  
Ayer, MA 01432  
(978) 772-2355

## Memorial Service

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# Tribute Wall

DB

“ I remember many days these beautiful woman, aunt Dot, Betty, and Roberta sitting at my mothers table Joan (Wilson) Fanning drinking coffee , laughing and talking for hours. So many wonderful memories, of a wonderful woman. Roberta was my mother's niece, but they were the same age and grew up together and they were more like sisters. In heaven, they're putting the coffee on, catching up on old times. My deepest condolences go out to you and yours.

*Dawn (Fanning) Bleakley*

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**Dawn Bleakley** - December 07, 2020 at 06:55 PM

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“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



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**Irene Welsch** - December 06, 2020 at 09:28 PM

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“ DONNA TOMPKINS lit a candle in memory of Roberta J. Nowak



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**DONNA TOMPKINS** - December 05, 2020 at 10:06 AM

DE

“ *Denene lit a candle in memory of Roberta J. Nowak*



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**Denene** - December 05, 2020 at 09:59 AM

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*I will miss you! Love you forever and always! Xxoo*

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**Denene** - December 05, 2020 at 09:59 AM

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“ *1 file added to the album Memories Album*



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**Christopher Tompkins** - December 04, 2020 at 11:12 PM

DC

“ *Darcy Clements lit a candle in memory of Roberta J. Nowak*



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**Darcy Clements** - December 04, 2020 at 10:24 PM

DC

“ To all of Nana Berts family my deepest condolences. What I will remember most is she was always smiling and loved talking about and being around her family.

Great lady that I am honored to have known over the years growing up with Denene. Much love to you all.

*Darcy & Olivia Clements*

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**Darcy Clements** - December 04, 2020 at 10:22 PM