



Yvette B. (Michaud) Padula

August 1, 1923 - August 22, 2023

Yvette B. Padula, 100, of Westminster, MA, formerly of Lunenburg, MA, passed away peacefully at home with her family by her side on August 22, 2023. She was born on August 1, 1923, in Fitchburg, MA, to the late Bertha (née Leblanc) and Laurier Michaud.

Yvette grew up during The Great Depression and left school early to help support her family. During World War II, she worked at General Electric in Fitchburg, contributing to the war effort as a real-life “Rosie the Riveter”. She continued to embody that “can-do” spirit throughout the rest of her life.

She married John Padula in 1960, and when he passed in 1968 she devoted herself to raising their four children. Because she wanted to be home with her children before and after school, Yvette took a position in the Lunenburg school cafeteria where she worked for over 20 years. This decision to put her children first was forever appreciated by them.

Yvette worshipped at St. Joseph’s Parish of Fitchburg where she found solace and community. In her free time, Yvette enjoyed going to yard sales, playing SkipBo, attending concerts and cookouts, growing tomatoes, and most of all spending time with her family. She was also very involved with The Arc of Opportunity. She will always be remembered for her dedication to her family, her infectious smile, and her love of social gatherings. She leaves behind a

legacy of love and kindness that will be forever cherished by all who knew her.

Yvette is survived by her brother, Robert Michaud and his wife, Jane, of Albany, NY, her children, Jeff of Gardner, Paul and his wife Sandy of Westminster, Tommy of Westminster, and Michele McIntyre and her husband Jim of Lunenburg. Yvette will be dearly missed by her grandsons John, Luke, and Jeremy, granddaughters Marenne, Analise, and Jen, as well as her great-grandchildren and many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her beloved husband, John, and her siblings Gilly, Billy, Anita, Lucille, and Lorraine.

Her funeral Mass will be celebrated on Tuesday, August 29, at 10AM in St. Joseph's Church, 49 Woodland St., Fitchburg. Burial will be in St. Bernard's Cemetery. Calling hours will be held on Monday, August 28, from 4 to 7 PM in the Isabelle & Anderson Funeral Home, 316 Clarendon St., Fitchburg.

In lieu of flowers the family requests that memorial donations be sent to The Arc of Opportunity at 564 Main Street in Fitchburg.

Cemetery Details

St. Bernard's Cemetery

Fitchburg, MA 01420

Previous Events

Calling Hours

AUG **28**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM.

Isabelle & Anderson Funeral Home
316 Clarendon St
Fitchburg, MA

Funeral Mass

AUG **29**. 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Joseph's Church
49 Woodland St.
Fitchburg, MA 01420

Tribute Wall

GD

“ I have such fond memories of my Aunt Yvette. She'll always be remembered for her warmth and her smile. My prayers and thoughts are with the family.

Gina Dragula - August 28, 2023 at 10:37 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Yvette B. (Michaud) Padula.



August 24, 2023 at 02:36 PM



“ It was at Yvette's 80th birthday that I was introduced to many of the wonderful people that would become my In-Laws. I have been lucky to spend holidays with her and visits as often as we could. She was certainly an amazing woman and will be greatly missed by any and all that ever knew her. Holding everyone in my heart. Danya Hachey

Danya Hachey - August 24, 2023 at 01:14 PM

TI

“ Sending my heartfelt condolences to the Padula Family. My dear friend Yvette was a gracious and loving friend to me and my mother, Mary. Her generosity of spirit, wisdom and goodwill will be lasting memory for all who knew her. I'm very grateful that our paths crossed many years ago. I will miss her greatly. With love, Tina (Maine)

Tina - August 24, 2023 at 10:04 AM

BR

*I met Yvette when My brother Bruce came to live with our family in 1992, when our Mom passed & Yvette was a volunteer at Arc cookie jar bakery, where Bruce worked, we always laughed, that Bruce could count the change back quicker than her, We did May baskets,I joined the over 22 Parents group at Arc. Enjoyed are Bowling Banquets, Christmas Parties, Christmas lunches
She became our other mom
Love her & her family
Rest well my friend
Love Betty Robbins & Bruce Goguen*

Betty Robbins - August 24, 2023 at 11:54 AM

JC

A lovely soul. She'll be just fine.

Jim Casperson - August 24, 2023 at 01:45 PM

CR

*We are all better people for knowing this wonderful woman. I met her through all of THE ARC. Families.
I will always remember the Maybaskets, the over 22 support group, the Christmas parties and luncheons.
Rest in Peace
My prayers and thoughts are with the family, especially Tommy*

Cheryl Robillard

Cheryl Robillard - August 24, 2023 at 03:44 PM