



Sonia Vartanian

July 1, 1923 - October 19, 2020

Sonia Vartanian, age 97, of Mackinaw City, Michigan, died on October 19, 2020. She was born to Aharon and Alice (Papazian) Egigian on July 1, 1923, in Highland Park, Michigan.

Sonia grew up in Detroit and later moved to Farmington Hills, Michigan. She graduated high school in the Detroit area where she met and fell in love with George Krikor Vartanian. The high school sweethearts married July 20, 1946 in Detroit after George returned from his service during World War II. Together they raised three children. Sonia kept the house running for most of her life, although she did work in the retail industry for a few years while George worked as a craftsman making furniture. In 1977, they moved to Petoskey, Michigan, where George worked at Northern Michigan Hospital, where he later retired.

Sonia was a member of the AYF (Armenian Youth Federation).

Sonia loved cooking and baking. Some of her favorite foods to make were cheese bereg, baklava, and shish kabobs. She also loved spending time with her children and grandchildren. She was the most giving person and never complained a day in her life.

Sonia is survived by her children, Dennis (Merlyne) Vartanian of Mackinaw

City, Daniel (Kristi) Vartanian of Dewitt, Michigan, and Diane “Judy” (Duane) Graham of Pellston, Michigan; five grandchildren; and ten great-grandchildren.

Sonia was preceded in death by her husband, George; parents; brother-in-law, Vartan Vartanian, and sister-in-law, Marjorie Nahas.

No services are planned at this time.

Interment will be held at Greenwood Cemetery in Petoskey, Michigan.

Memorial contribution may be made to the American Cancer Society

Dodson Funeral Cremation Burial Services in St. Ignace, Michigan is serving the family. Condolences may be sent to the family at www.rgalerfuneralhome.com.

Tribute Wall



“ *Sonia Vartanian*

October 05, 2023 at 09:54 AM



“ *Sonia Vartanian*

October 02, 2023 at 10:14 PM



“ *Sonia Vartanian*

September 01, 2022 at 07:49 PM



“ *Dennis & Judy--Barb sent me your Mom's obituary. What a long full journey your Mom experienced. To be able to create memories with her into her 97th year was such a blessing for you and your family. Take care. Sending hugs to both of you. --Ann Walton*

Ann Walton - November 21, 2020 at 02:17 PM



“ *Dennis, Dan & Judy. I just heard of your Mother's passing. She was a Sweetheart. I always enjoyed seeing both of them. Especially when I worked at the Depot. It made my day as Mrs Vartanian was always smiling. Cherish the memories as I know she left you with many. My thoughts and prayers are with you.*

Paul Desy - October 23, 2020 at 01:25 PM

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Vartanian Family

Your parents were both giving and warm people. I think they finished each other's sentences. Memories of their friendship are still fresh.

With condolences

Tom and Cindy

cindy zipp - November 01, 2020 at 03:56 AM