



Rosemary Theresa Todd

December 23, 1927 - December 19, 2014

Rosemary Theresa (Carmazzi) Todd, 86, of Urbana, passed away at 5:30 P.M. Friday, December 19, 2014 in Vancrest of Urbana.

She was born December 23, 1927 in Bucyrus, OH, the daughter of Frank and Victoria (Andreini) Carmazzi.

Rosemary, a graduate of St. Mary School, was a member of St. Mary Catholic Church in Urbana where she was active in the Ladies Sodality.

She worked tirelessly to advocate for the mentally disabled citizens. She began working at the local level, then advanced to the state and finally to the national level, working at each stop to make a better environment for mentally disabled. Rosemary helped start Residential Services. She pushed, sometimes literally, to get bills through the State House to protect these individuals rights. She also testified before the U.S. House Committees to make certain the Mentally Disabled had a voice in this country. She accomplished what many could not. She made the world a better place.

Survivors include her daughter, Marianne Todd of Urbana; sons, Tim (Janet) Todd of Urbana, Dennis (Diana) Todd of Urbana and Brian (Linda) Todd of Urbana; five grandchildren, Tony (Brittany) Todd, Matthew Todd, Angie Todd, Noah Todd, Ali Millner and two great grandchildren, JT Todd and Matthew Todd; brothers, Robert (Jean) Carmazzi of Urbana and John (Michelle) Carmazzi of Urbana; first cousin Albano Andreini and nieces.

She was preceded in death by her parents and husband, Paul Todd.

The family will receive friends from 4:00-7:00 P.M., Monday, December 22,

2014 in the WALTER & SMITH FUNERAL HOME, Urbana. Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10:00 A.M. Tuesday, December 23, 2014 in the St. Mary Catholic Church 231 Washington Ave., Urbana, OH 43078 with Father Greg Konerman celebrant.

Contributions may be given in Rosemary's memory to Hospice of the Miami Valley, 46 N. Detroit St., Suite B, Xenia, OH 45385.

Condolences may be expressed to the family at www.walterfunerals.com.

Cemetery Details

Oak Dale Cemetery

319 Patrick Avenue
Urbana, OH 43078

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC **22**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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Mass of Christian Burial

DEC **23**. 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Mary Catholic Church
231 Washington Ave.
Urbana, OH

Tribute Wall

JZ

“*Rosemary had such an impact in not only Champaign County but also at State and National levels with regards to our disabled population. It is a highlight of my career to work with Rosemary with the Ohio Coalition for several years. Her dedication and commitment to quality of life issues have set standards that are rarely matched anywhere in the US. She made a difference! Prayers for your family.*

*Most Sincerely,
J A Zerkle*

jim zerkle - December 22, 2014 at 08:31 PM

BW

“*Rosemary was one of my early mentors, and we shared many years advocating for the rights and services for people with developmental disabilities, including our shared special interest in residential programs. Rosemary and her local parent group used our Dayton program to model residential services for her community, and went on to support others in that endeavor. Our most recent connection was her participation in Partners for Community Living's book that will soon be published, memorializing the stories of those who led the deinstitutionalization efforts for community services. She was known in all corners of the state, and her legacy is the thousands of people with disabilities living in, working in and contributing to their local communities. Her likes will not be seen again, God Speed, Rosemary. Brenda Whitney*

Brenda Whitney - December 22, 2014 at 03:17 PM

CH

“ Please accept my deepest condolences. I am praying for strength and comfort. Rosemary was a very sweet lady and I'm so glad that I had the chance to get to know her and I really enjoyed our time making peanut brittle at Christmas time!!
May God be with all of you. Cheryl

Cheryl - December 22, 2014 at 10:18 AM

JR

“ I was so sorry to hear about Mrs. Todd. Your family will be in my prayers.

JackieCaccia Romanish - December 22, 2014 at 09:18 AM



“ Rosemary was such a special lady. I so enjoyed talking and being with her at The Arc board meetings and functions. I was blessed to know her. My deepest sympathies to you and your family. She shall be missed



Sandy Smith Hall - December 22, 2014 at 07:58 AM

SH

“ So sorry for your loss she was a really great person to talk with. She was very sweet and I'm so glad that I got to know her. I will try my best to help Marianne through this very difficult time. Please know your all in my prayers.

sandy hatter - December 21, 2014 at 03:41 PM

JT

I will miss my very best friend but have many, many happy memories. My thoughts and prayers are with her family.

Joan Thompson - December 22, 2014 at 11:02 AM

NS

My sympathy to the Todd family on the loss of Rosemary, a very special lady.

Nancy Strapp - December 22, 2014 at 06:40 PM

FW

I will miss Rosemary. I learned so much from her. I have many wonderful memories of her. My thoughts and prayers are with her family. May God bless each of you and give you peace. Fran Watkins

Fran Watkins - December 22, 2014 at 07:52 PM