



## Mrs. Lorraine Bogdzewic

October 30, 1927 - August 2, 2012

Lorraine Bogdzewic

Loving Mother, Grandmother, and Great Grandmother

LOWELL—Lorraine (Bernard) Bogdzewic, the beloved wife of the late Alphonse A. Bogdzewic, passed away on Thursday afternoon, at her home, surrounded by love. Lorraine was born in Lowell on October 30, 1927, into a large family, when times were tough and money scarce. She was one of eight children of the late Arthur J. and Ellen V. (Buey) Bernard. Educated in the Lowell schools, Lorraine was a 1943 graduate of the Lowell Vocational School. As a young woman, she married Alphonse, the love of her life, and got busy starting a family. Lorraine wanted a home of her own so she was determined to do everything necessary to achieve that goal. She made it happen. Lorraine dreamed the dream and pursued it. Lorraine worked selling Avon products door to door in the early days...46 years selling to friends, family, and strangers. Lorraine pursued that dream, and got that home. She had worked at Nu-Knit in Lowell and retired from the Purity Supreme Supermarket Offices in Billerica.

Lorraine filled her home with love. Her family was ever present in her life. Her happiest times were when her home was filled with people. Family and friends eventually materialized into grandkids and great-grandkids. Oh the joy! And Unconditional Love.

Lorraine's door was always open, and the coffee was always fresh and hot.

Lorraine was a strong willed, caring, and generous woman who was always thinking of others. Her resolute loyalty to the Sacred Heart Parish never wavered. Her strong faith got her over the bumps in life. She was devoted to her daily prayers and to the memory of her husband and daughter.

Lorraine dreamed her dreams, lived her life, and made her family proud. Lorraine got that home...and filled it with love.

She will live in our hearts forever.

Lorraine is survived by her son, David A. Bogdzewic and his wife Jeanne of Lowell; her daughter, Mary Ann Peaslee and her husband Arthur of Plastow, NH; seven grandchildren, Susan Cortez and her husband Roger of Dracut, Marti Martinez and her husband John of Lawrence, Jennifer Laurin and her husband Raymond of Dracut, John

Bogdzewic of Lowell, David Bogdzewic, Jr. and his wife Donna of Troy, NH, Tina Desrochers of Salem, NH, and Kristy Izzo and her husband Rob of Pennsylvania; 17 great grandchildren, Roger Jr., Eddie, Thomas, and Catherine Cortez, Meagan, Raymond Jr., and Cara Laurin, Nikolas, Gabriela, and Kaleb Martinez, Kalli and Nicole Bogdzewic, John Henry Bogdzewic, Jocelyn Morales and Bret Desrochers, and Kyle and Aaron Izzo. She also leaves many nieces, nephews, and her dear friend, Carol Rocha of Lowell.

Lorraine was the Mother of the late Ellen Frances Martin. She was also the sister of the late Gerald, Raymond, Walter, and Solange Bernard, and Dorothy DiGiovanni, Delores Legault, and Alice Coombs.

## FUNERAL NOTICE

BOGDZEWIC—In Lowell, August 2, 2012 at her home, Lorraine (Bernard) Bogdzewic, 84, wife of the late Alphonse A. Bogdzewic. Family and friends may call at the FAY McCABE FUNERAL HOME, 105 MOORE STREET, LOWELL on SUNDAY from 4 until 8 PM.

Lorraine's Funeral will begin on MONDAY MORNING at 10 o'clock from the Funeral Home, followed by her Funeral Mass at 11 o'clock at HOLY FAMILY PARISH, ST.

MARIE'S CHURCH, corner of Chamberlain and Grafton Sts. Lowell. Her burial will follow in the family lot in Holy Trinity Cemetery, Lowell. As an expression of sympathy, donations in Lorraine's memory may be made to the American Cancer Society, 30 Speen Street, Framingham, MA 01701 or to the Merrimack Valley Hospice, 360 Merrimack St. Bldg. 9, Lawrence, MA 01843.

ARRANGEMENTS BY THE FAY McCABE FUNERAL DIRECTORS 978-459-9222.

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# Cemetery

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# Events

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**Holy Trinity  
Cemetery**  
Boston Road  
Lowell, MA,

**AUG** **Calling Hours** 04:00PM - 08:00PM

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Fay McCabe Funeral Home  
105 Moore Street, Lowell, MA, US, 01852

**AUG** **Funeral Mass** 11:00AM

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Holy Family Parish – St. Marie's Church  
75 Chamberlain Street at the corner of Grafton Street, Lowell,  
MA, US, 01852

# Comments

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It has taken me quite a while to say something about a women who was so very special to me and I wonder if she even knew that? First I have to say that the entire Bogdzewic family has and will continue to be in my thoughts and prayers...I am so very sorry for your loss.

I always told "Gram", "Memere", "Avon Lady", Mrs. B (those were the many things I addressed her with!)I always told her that I was the granddaughter she "never" wanted...that would always give her a laugh. But in truthfully, Gram was the only grandmother figure I had in my life for more than 20 years! I admire her determination and dedication! She was still selling Avon right to the very end! :)I always enjoyed talking with her....listening to her stories about growing up, how she bought her first house, and many many more conversations that will always remain in my heart. While my husband and I lived there I feel that Gram and I became closer. When I brought my adopted son Joshua home from the hospital, before we even went upstairs we headed right in to see "Memere".....that is all my three boys know her as...Memere..and they love her so, especially her lolly pops! There are so many more things I could say about such a thoughtful and loving person....but what is most important to me is that I was able to be part of her life and she a part of ours! Will life ever be the same now that Gram is in Heaven? Sadly no...but take comfort in all of the wonderful memories you hold dear! And if possible continue the traditions that were so important to Gram...being with family!

To Gram: I miss you everyday. Thank you for allowing me to be a part of your family. I don't really know what else to say except that I appreciated you immensely and that I love you always and forever! xoxoxoxo

charlotte fennelly - August 18, 2012 at 09:26 AM

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“ Sean Rourke lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lorraine Bogdzewic



**Sean Rourke** - August 06, 2012 at 09:09 PM