



Thelma F. Parks

November 14, 1922 - April 6, 2017

Thelma F. Parks, 94, of Towanda, formerly of Rome, PA passed away peacefully Thursday afternoon, April 6, 2017 at the Personal Care Home of Guthrie Memorial Hospital, Towanda, PA. Thelma was born in Franklin Township, Westmoreland County, PA on November 14, 1922 the daughter of George W. and Jennie Thomas Smith. She was a graduate of Towanda High School Class of 1940 and in early years was employed by Rockwell's Taxi Service in Towanda. Thelma was later employed by Sylvania, Smith's Store in West Burlington and Evans & Chaffee in Towanda. Thelma enjoyed spending time with her family, bowling and playing golf.

Surviving are her daughter, Jean Preston and husband Larry of Auburndale, MA, grandchildren, Adam Chase and wife Aimee, Laura Preston Loras and husband Olivier, step children, Linda Ferrario and husband Robert of Naples FL and Wysox, James Parks and wife Marie of Towanda, Anne Mursch and husband Robert of Aurora, CO, step grandchildren, Cassandra Chandler Lyman, Christopher Chandler, Stephen Parks, Ric Carrington, Amy Phipps, 10 great grandchildren, special nieces, Elaine Gustafson and husband Charlie of Canton, Kay Hamlin and husband Ray of Ogunquit Maine, Kathy Kennedy and husband Buzz of Lewisburg PA, special nephew, Art Fairchild and wife Ritta of Shippensburg, PA, and a number of dear friends, including Helen Fries and Bill and Barbara Gerould.

In addition to her parents, she was predeceased by her husbands, Clay Fairchild and Stanley Parks, daughter, Sharon and sisters, Edna Bovier and

Helen Fairchild.

A private funeral service will be held at the convenience of the family. There are no calling hours.

Interment will be in Bradford County Memorial Park, Burlington Township, PA. The family suggests that contributions may be directed to Guthrie Hospice, 421 Tomahawk Road, Towanda, PA 18848 in Thelma F. Parks memory. The Maryott-Bowen Funeral Home of Towanda is assisting Thelma's Family with arrangements. Memories and condolences may be expressed by visiting www.bowenfuneralhomes.com.

Tribute Wall



“ *Thelma F. Parks*

October 22, 2023 at 08:10 PM



“ *Thelma F. Parks*

October 08, 2023 at 10:34 PM



“ *Thelma F. Parks*

October 06, 2023 at 09:57 AM



“ *Thelma F. Parks*

October 06, 2023 at 03:29 AM



“ *Thelma F. Parks*

October 05, 2023 at 02:02 PM

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“ Dear Jean and family, please accept our condolences on the passing of your Mom.

MEMORIES

when I visited on the weekends I was always glad to see your Mom behind the meat case. This was a good sign since she would, on the sly, slip me fresh slices of bologna she had just cut.

Then there was that time I attempted a most complex chemical experiment behind the meat counter, where no one could see me- but your Mom.. She wasn't too sure what was going to happen so she just crossed her arms and let me give it a go! At 7 yrs old I was pretty much in control of all things chemical. So I took a little Dixie cup, filled it half full of water, then dumped a can of Drano in it. Well I'll tell you what..that was the most exciting time I had had since I smashed all those windows.....ah never mind.

At first it was what I expected...the sizzlin and the poppin and the smoke (I thought) comin out of that little cup! Wow! Now fast forward...the sizzlin stopped sizzlin, the (smoke?) stopped smokin, the Drano melted the cup and the water ran all over the floor! And your Mom...handed me the mop. Thus ended my grand experiment! But your Mom never told anyone!

But I ramble, sorry.

I just think this one silly activity shows the humor and patient side of your Mom. And please remember that every person your Mom came in contact with, which at H.J. Smith's General Store were many people, thought highly of her, praised her work ethic and where thankful for her companionship.

And we're all thankful for her having been in our lives..

Greg and Marie Wood

Greg Wood - April 10, 2017 at 06:44 PM

MN

“ *The Bradford County Sanitation Committee Staff and committee wish to send condolance to the family of Thelma Parks. She will always be referred affectionately as"TP".*

Mary Neiley

Mary Neiley - April 10, 2017 at 07:25 AM

MP

“ *Many good memories with Thelma. Cards, bowling, dining out in our winter home in Florida. So very glad we had those years together. Now she is home!
Prayers to all the families. She was a great lady!*

Marcia Parks - April 09, 2017 at 08:31 AM