



Amelia Dennison

January 23, 1936 - October 20, 2008

Amelia Dennison -- Plano, Texas Amelia Dennison saw her life's journey end 20 October 2008 in Plano, Texas, surrounded by her family. She was 72 years old. She was born 23 January 1936 in Kankakee, Ill. to Saverio "Sam" Mazza and Giuseppina "Josephine" Rende, who immigrated from Italy in the early 1900s. After graduating in 1953 from St. Patrick High School, Amelia worked for the city of Kankakee until her marriage. She married Roger Dennison 15 December 1956 in Bradley. He died 23 June 1998. She proclaimed the "love of her life" by continuously wearing an "I Love Roger" pin on her lapel for the 10 years since his death. She cherished her family, fed them her famous fried chicken, Easter bread, apricot salad and blackberry cake. Her wonderful homemade pizza bespoke of her Italian heritage and paid honor to her mother who taught her to cook. Amelia was proficient with words, filling in crossword puzzles and playing Scrabble. She loved people -- family, old friends and any stranger she happened to meet. She was a devout Cubs fan. Amelia and Roger's longtime home was in Bourbonnais, then following his retirement, they wintered in "the valley" in southern Texas where they collected many new friends. Amelia moved permanently to Plano, Texas three years ago. She is survived by a daughter, Mary Beth Dennison of Plano; three sons and daughters-in-law, Rick and Christel Dennison of Bradley, Randy and Julie Dennison of Plano, Ronald and Linda Dennison of Speonk, N.Y. Surviving grandchildren and spouses are Helena, Curtis, Serena, Jeremy and Cindy, Brett and Ashley, Anthony and Heather, Andrew and Kayla, Krista, Anna,

Beth, Sarah, A.J., Michelle, Gus and Angie, Nicole and Laura. Surviving great-grandchildren and spouses are Jordan, Kayla, Brenden, Courtney and Michael, Alex, Riley, Brittany, Isabella and Angel. Amelia was the sixth of seven children born to Sam and Josephine Mazza. Surviving her are three sisters and one brother-in-law, Mary Koivisto of North Carolina, Carmella Coyne of Bourbonnais, Rose and Walter Dupuis of Bradley; one brother and sister-in-law, James and Kathy Mazza of Arlington, Texas; also a sister-in-law, Cynthia Dennison of St. Charles; and a brother-in-law, Larry Dennison of Arizona. She was preceded in death by her husband, a brother, Ralph Mazza; and a half-sister, Theresa Taylor. Arrangements are by the Clancy-Gernon Funeral Home, Bourbonnais, where visitation will be from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Friday. Funeral services will be held there at 10 a.m. Saturday, with burial in All Saints Cemetery, Bourbonnais. Memorials in her name may be made to Friends Place, an adult daycare center in Richardson, Texas, where Amelia made so many new friends.

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“ We enjoyed are friend ship during our school years, We went to church with Roger as we grew up. we lost contact when we moved to CA. AFTER 34 YEARS WE MOVED TO O.K. 5 YEARS AGO TO BE CLOSER TO OUR KIDS.,##imported-begin##Ozzie and Jackie Peters##imported-end##

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“ May you lie peacefully in our Lords hands, with Roger at your side, evermore.##imported-begin##Mike & Joanie Alvey##imported-end##

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“ So much LOVE, HAPPINESS, and wonderful advice. ĩ½ Aunt Amelia had nothing but kindness for all of us kids. ĩ½ I know I will miss her dearly and never forget the laughter we shared as we moved MaryBeth to Texas. ĩ½

I take great joy in knowing that she is in the arms of Jesus and is with the love of her life, Uncle Roger. I know that the hole in our hearts is small compared to all the tender loving care she shared with all of us. ĩ½

I can not wait to see her again in glory.

Love to all of you.##imported-begin##Joseph Mazza##imported-end##

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“ Having spent quite a lot of time with Aunt Amelia during my formative and teen years, I think some of her sense of humor rubbed off on me. I thank her for that. We had some great times, didn't we kids?

I hope you all stay close to one another. That will be the best tribute to your parents.

Love, Carol##imported-begin##Carol Clapp##imported-end##

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“ To my Aunt - my heart is so full of emotion. ĩ½ You can rest now in the Lord's hands. ĩ½ Your family will miss you terribly; your children, your sisters and brother, nieces and nephews. ĩ½ Your life was happy and full and you enriched the lives of all who knew you. ĩ½ We are all better for having your love.##imported-begin##Terri Barnes##imported-end##

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“ Rick, we are so sorry to hear about your mother. i½You and you family are in our thoughts always. i½We will talk to you soon.

I asked Kellie if I ever met her before and she said that I met her at your wedding. i½I told her "that doesn't help me much. i½I just remember singing Margaritaville with Marcus" LOL. Just trying to make you smile.

Love Jim & Kellie###imported-begin##Jim & Kellie Laski###imported-end##

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“ As I write this early on the day of your services and my heart feels the loss of my dear Sister. My prayer for each of us today is our trust in the Lord Jesus will keep our Family close to the Lord and your 40 years of suffering is now over and I rejoyce in knowing your are with the our Lord and Savior. Amelia I will miss everything about you and your love for your Family and Friends. i½Jim###imported-begin##Jim Mazza###imported-end##

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“ So sorry to hear of Amelia's passing.

I know she will be greatly missed by her entire family, but at least she is no longer in pain. i½We will be out of town this weekend, so will not be able to make it to the visitation.###imported-begin##Don and Alice Anderson###imported-end##

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“ *What a sweet and wonderful woman my auntie was, and shall remain so, in my heart forever.

She was always good to me as a little boy and as a man, She cracked me up!

I will truly miss her.

Finally back with Rogie.

Thank you Lord for her being an important sweet part of my life and times.

Praise God###imported-begin###Dave Alvey###imported-end###*

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“ *So sorry to hear of Amelia's passing. ĩ½Now she is spending eternity with Roger.

Grew up with Roger and knew the family so well, they were also special. ĩ½Amelia will certainly be missed by so many, she never met a stranger.

Our sympathy goes out to all the family and friends.###imported-begin###Violet Stowe-Knight###imported-end###*

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“ *MY THOUGHTS ARE WITH YOU###imported-begin###NYLA DENISON JOHNSON###imported-end###*

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“ *My dear sister Amelia, you will be missed so terribly! My heart is full of love for you. God has given you a beautiful family to carry on for you and your dear Roger. I will miss your wonderful smile, so broad and beautiful.

Missing you and loving you always.

Your sister Mary###imported-begin###Mary Koivisto###imported-end###*

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