



Mary Yonno Potash

July 12, 1928 - July 12, 2014

Mary Yonno Potash, 86, passed away Saturday, July 12th at the Good Samaritan Hospital, Lebanon, with her husband, son George and daughter Pamela at her side. She was born in Edgewater Park, Burlington County New Jersey on August 30, 1927, daughter of the late William Yonno and Esther Congemi. She was the wife of Dr. George C Potash whom she married on June 6, 1959.

Mary was a registered medical technician, receiving her Registry as a medical technician at Franklin Institute Philadelphia PA and a Bachelor Degree at West Chester University. While George, her husband attended The University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine, Mary was the Chief Medical Technician at Children's Hospital being involved in over 45 kidney transplants in the early days of transplant surgery (1962 – 1966). Mary helped develop methods of taking blood specimens in smaller volumes, as several of her patients were younger. During his graduate eye surgery residency at The Geisinger Medical Center in Danville PA, George and Mary had two children George C. Potash, III (oldest) and Pamela S. Potash. After 4 years of residency the family relocated to Lebanon PA and remained where George practiced Ophthalmology and taught eye surgery at The Pennsylvania State University Milton Hershey Medical Center.

Mary was a member of the Church of the Good Shepard, enjoyed attending

services on Sunday and sharing time with friends whom she had developed close and enduring friendships with. She had a great compassion for all animals but her primary focus remained with her own dogs, the most recent being Hunter her miniature schnauzer. Her greatest love however centered on her grandchildren whom she spent every opportunity loving and spoiling. Time spent with them provided Mary her happiest moments, as she always displayed an infectious smile that could be seen by anyone within visual proximity.

Mary is survived by her husband, Dr. George C. Potash, her son George C. Potash, III. Esq., an attorney who practices law for a large firm in Philadelphia PA, her daughter Pamela S. Potash-Hanford, D.O. a physician at Annville Family Medicine, her Son-in-Law Scott Hanford and her two loving grandchildren Montgomery and Eliza Hanford. Mary is also survived by her siblings Grace, Gene, Rita and their respective families.

A private family service was held at Indiantown Gap National Cemetery for Mary where she was laid to rest. She will be greatly missed but her memory lives on in the hearts of all whom she touched. (John 3:16) For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. In lieu of flowers, contributions in Mary's name can be made to the Hospice of Good Samaritan Hospital, 203 Hathaway Pk., Lebanon, PA 17042

Tribute Wall



“ *Mary Yonno Potash*

October 22, 2023 at 10:35 PM



“ *Mary Yonno Potash*

October 06, 2023 at 08:29 AM



“ *Mary Yonno Potash*

October 05, 2023 at 11:43 PM



“ *Soory this is so late, but so sorry to hear this. I will always remember her and enjoyed talking to such a nice person.*

Mike Boboige - Lebanon, PA - Friend - August 31, 2016 at 12:00 AM



“ *Mary, your contagious smile endures through Trent and our family. Likewise, your hugs and kisses enrich our souls, and we strive to pass them along to others. We aspire to say "I love you" as often as you! Youve warmed our hearts and blessed our souls! May God bless you and hold you. Looking fwd to our next embrace in heaven. Love you, Mary!!*

Misty Sohn - Lebanon, PA - Friend - August 04, 2014 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Sending heartfelt prayers to Mary's family during this difficult time
Wishing you peace to bring comfort, courage to face the days
ahead and loving memories to forever hold in your heart. Hold tight
to memories for comfort, lean on your friends and family for
strength. May He who knows your sorrow bring peace, comfort, and
healing to your soul. With love and fond remembrance...Brenda*

Brenda Miller - Lebanon, PA - Church Friend - July 26, 2014 at 12:00 AM