



Doris Houlihan Litke

May 12, 1923 - March 14, 2006

Doris Houlihan Litke, 82, of Old Lyme, widow of William O. Litke, died Tuesday March 14, 2006 in Old Lyme. Born in New Britain, daughter of the late John E. Houlihan and Mabel Barnes, she lived in Kensington from 1964 until moving to Old Lyme in 1991. A graduate of New Britain High School, Class of 1941, Doris was employed as a Medical Secretary for Dr. Robert Sultar for 10 years, until her retirement in 1985. She was an avid bowler and a former member of St. Mark's Episcopal Church in New Britain.

Surviving is a son, Donald Litke of Alpharetta, GA; two daughters, Barbara Nichols and her husband Rev. Charles Nichols of Vernon; and Janice Montanaro and her husband Andrew of Old Lyme; three brothers, John Houlihan and his wife Veronica of Sun City, CA; Ralph Houlihan and his wife Eldena of Rocky Hill; and Stewart Houlihan and his wife Edna of Deltona, FL; a sister, Alice Catucci of North Woodstock, NH; a daughter-in-law, MaryAnn Litke of Coventry, R.I.; seven grandchildren; six great grandchildren; several nieces and nephews. Besides her husband William O. Litke, she was predeceased by a son, William L Litke and a grandson, William J. Litke.

Funeral services will be held Thursday 10:30 AM at Carlson Funeral Home, 45 Franklin Square, New Britain. Burial will follow in Rose Hill Memorial Park, Rocky Hill. Calling hours will be held Thursday morning 9:30 AM until the time of the service at 10:30. Memorial donations may be made to the Doris Litke Memorial Fund, c/o Essex Savings Bank, 35 Plains Road, Essex, CT 06426. Please share a memory or note of sympathy with Doris' family by clicking on "GUESTBOOK" at the bottom of this page.

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“ I am not sure if Ms. Litke's family will remember me. My name is Rick Daddario and my family lived 6 units away from the Litke's in Pinnacle Heights housing project New Britain back in the very early 1960's. My family moved from the projects to a private home about 2 miles up Slater Road towards Farmington in June 1963. Before that time, my brother David and I were chums with Bill and Donald Litke. We all hung around with Eric and Curt Radda, and Lucia Osiecki. Lynn Radda, approx 7 years old at the time died. It was a devastating moment for all of us because we did not know death. We were unable to understand at our early age I was 4 HOW someone could be playing with us one day, and then a few days later, be gone. I remember two things specifically about life with Mrs. Litke. I remember when I found out that Lynn had passed on I overheard Ethel Osiecki, Lucia's mother telling Jane Turski, another neighbor, that Lynn had passed. I was a little in shock and ran to the Litke's home I believe it was 5 Summit Road and told Mrs. Litke. She said to me, "Ricky, you can't go around saying things like that. I remember I started to cry and ran home. A whole 25 yards. Another time when I was playing outside with Donald, Mrs. Litke called from the house "Dinner time!!" and I shouted back, "Awwwww, SHadddup!" Well - you would think I committed the worst crime ever, but I was merely mimicking not sure of spelling a line Bugs Bunny yelled out to Daffy Duck in a cartoon I saw. If anybody reading this remembers that cartoon - please call my mother - 860-229-8995, and tell her. To this day she maintains I was very rude. But I didnt know.

Anyway - I am genuinely sorry to have heard of Mrs. Litke's passing. I remember reading of her son's some time ago.

If any of the family members would like to contact me, PLease do. My home number in Plainville, is 860-793-2737 and my email address is rickdaddario@hotmail.com

Having grown up in a commune-setting as wonderful as it was in the Pinnacle Heights Housing project, is, and will always be one of my life's most cherished memories.

Thank you for letting me share my thoughts.

God is with you.

Love,
Ricky Daddario

Rick Daddario - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you all during this difficult time. We will light a candle at church this week in memory of Doris. May God Bless you all.*

Kerry Rickard, Patrick, Maggie & Brendan Harrigan - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Dear Jan, Drew and family:*

Chuck and I are so sorry to learn of Doris' death. She was a good woman and loved you both. You were always so good to her, especially during her last few weeks. I'm sure that she appreciated that. She will be missed by us all.

Patty and Chuck DiFazio - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM