



## Ernesta L. Lessard

January 22, 1924 - September 19, 2016

Hampton – Ernesta L. Lessard, 92, of Hampton, died Monday, September 19, 2016 at the Portsmouth Regional Hospital after a brief illness. She was surrounded by her loving and devoted family.

She was born January 22, 1924 in Plaistow, a daughter of the late Allen and Stella (Ross) Walker.

Ernesta was raised in Fremont and attended Robinson Female Seminary in Exeter. She married shortly after leaving school and raised her family in Portsmouth and Rye before settling in North Hampton in 1956. In 1973, Ernesta relocated to Hampton and was a faithful parishioner at the Hampton United Methodist Church and a member of the Orient Chapter, Order of Eastern Star #22 of Exeter.

She went on to earn her LPN Certificate from Portsmouth Technical Institute in the early 1960s. A hard-working woman, Ernesta had been employed at the Exeter Hospital, the Court Street Extension in Exeter, as a private duty caregiver and as a childcare provider. Ahead of her time, Ernesta practiced Yoga and was a certified Yogi. In her later years, she worked the coffee counter for her daughter, Barbara Royal and her husband, Larry at Beverages Unlimited on Hampton Beach.

Ernesta is survived by her daughter Barbara Royal and her husband, Larry of Hampton, her grandchildren, Rhonda Giandomenico and her husband, Mark of Hampton and Lorre Royal of Danville, her brother, Glenn Walker and his wife, Natalie of Exeter and her sister, Phyllis Dickinson of Boynton Beach, FL. She also leaves her great grandchildren, Stephanie, Craig and Scott Gardiner and Aerille Royal and her great great granddaughter, Rowan Gardiner.

In addition to her parents, Ernesta was predeceased by her brother Byron Walker.

Visiting hours will be from 12 to 2 pm on Sunday, September 25, 2016 in the Remick & Gendron Funeral Home – Crematory, 811 Lafayette Rd., Hampton. A service will follow the visitation starting at 2 pm in the funeral home. Family and friends are respectfully invited. Burial will be private. Flowers will be accepted but if desired, memorial donations may be mailed to the Hospice Help Foundation, 155 Fleet St., Portsmouth, NH 03801 or made online at [www.hhhelpfoundation.org](http://www.hhhelpfoundation.org).

# Cemetery Details

## Center Cemetery

186 Post Road  
North Hampton, NH 03862

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP **25**. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Remick & Gendron Funeral Home - Crematory  
811 Lafayette Road ·  
Hampton, NH 03842  
(603) 926-6500  
info@remickgendron.com  
<https://www.RemickGendron.com/>

## Service

SEP **25**. 2:00 PM (ET)

Remick & Gendron Funeral Home - Crematory  
811 Lafayette Road ·  
Hampton, NH 03842  
(603) 926-6500  
info@remickgendron.com  
<https://www.RemickGendron.com/>

# Tribute Wall



“ *Ernesta L. Lessard*

September 18, 2022 at 12:49 AM



“ *I was surprised and so sorry to hear of Ernie's passing. I use to work with her at the Court St Unit in Exeter. She was my charge nurse. Ernie (whom I also called "Nesta"), and I use to go out back and watch sunsets together as we worked the 3-11 shift and often ate supper together. We've seen each other several times through the years but I haven't seen her in the past year or so. She always made me smile and I still smile while thinking about her. I still say a silent "Hi Ernie" as I pass her High St home. I miss her.*

**Sheree Brown** - October 03, 2016 at 09:51 PM



“ *A luminescent, lovely lady who lived a life full of love, giving and receiving. Now born to Eternal Life and Love with our Lord, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.*

*Jim Cosgrove, Worcester MA and Rye Beach*

**Jim Cosgrove** - September 27, 2016 at 03:25 PM



“ *i will miss her*

**Patricia M Janulewicz** - September 25, 2016 at 02:59 PM



“ 165 files added to the album *LifeTributes*



Remick & Gendron Funeral Home - September 24, 2016 at 06:25 AM



“ Mark Giandomenico sent a virtual gift in memory of Ernesta L. Lessard



Mark Giandomenico - September 23, 2016 at 10:31 AM



“ Garden Accent - "My Mother kept a garden..." was purchased for the family of Ernesta L. Lessard.



September 21, 2016 at 08:57 PM



“ *Rays of Light Spray was purchased for the family of Ernesta L. Lessard.*



---

September 21, 2016 at 07:20 PM



“ *Barbara and Larry I'm so sorry to hear about your mom, she was so sweet. I remember calling on your store on Ashworth in the summer and seeing your mom, always smiling without a bad word to say about anyone. She was one of a kind, may she rest in peace.*

*Tom Harrington*

---

**Tom Harrington** - September 21, 2016 at 04:14 PM



“ *With love Michael & Karen Cox purchased the Fa  
i rest of All for the family of Ernesta L. Lessard.*



---

**With love Michael & Karen Cox** - September 21, 2016 at 01:01 PM



“ *I remember Aunt Nesta riding bikes with John, Janice and I to Hampton Beach. It was really fun and we used to go in all the stores.*

---

**Elizabeth Collazos** - September 21, 2016 at 11:32 AM

CF

“ *There will never be anyone one like "Mumzie". She was a remarkable woman in all ways. I will miss her so much. I'm just so lucky to have known her.*  
*Carolyn Fluke*

---

**Carolyn Fluke** - September 21, 2016 at 10:14 AM

 Tracy  
Burke

“ *Tracy Burke lit a candle in memory of Ernesta  
L. Lessard*



---

**Tracy Burke** - September 21, 2016 at 04:31 AM