



## Lucille A. (O'Byrne) Peters

April 12, 2018

Lucille A.(O'Byrne)Peters, of Raynham, MA, passed away after a long illness, on April 12, 2018.

Lucille was born in Brockton, MA, on February 8, 1928. Lucille was the daughter of Atty. Christopher J. O'Byrne and Sarah J (O'Grady) O'Byrne, of Brockton. She was the sister of the late Sadie (John) McGary, Francis (John) Duff, Eleanor (Ralph) Dupuy, and Christopher J.(Joan)O'Byrne, Jr.

Lucille lived a wonderful life of 90 years and is survived by her beloved husband of 66 years, Louis L. Peters of Raynham and their nine children Michael(Yvonne)Peters of Fort Myers FL, Sharon M. Peters of Raynham MA, Joyce(Eric)Cressman of Lakeville MA, Sean (Suzan) Peters of Taunton MA, Lynda (Kenneth) Vieira of Fort Myers FL, James (Linda) Peters of Taunton MA, Laura (Jeff) Collins of E. Taunton MA, Phillip (Gail) Peters of Cape Coral, FL and Sara (Eric) Gunnison of Middleboro MA; their seventeen grandchildren, Tara (Dennis) Correia, Jessica Peters, Melanie (Dan) Gatta, Melissa Starman, Denise (Jeff) Stavinski, Bryan Vieira, Katie Cressman, Colleen (Ian) Dunkle, Jonathan Vieira, Olivia Collins, Michael Peters, Austin Peters, Damian Collins, Sophie Ferreira, Everett Ferreira, Drew Peters, and Aidan Ferreira; their nine great grandchildren, Kylear Ibeau, Rose Correia, Dennis Correia, John Gatta, Garnet Jones, Peters, Ryan Gatta, Lucille Gatta, Dean Gatta and Mason Peters, as well as, many beloved nieces and nephews.

Lucille attended the Ellis Brett Grammar School, in Brockton, and graduated from Brockton High School, in 1946. She also graduated from Bridgewater Teachers College, in 1950, where she attained a Bachelor of Science degree in Physical Education.

Lucille was born a natural athlete and had a life-long love of sports. In high school, she worked for the City of Brockton as a lifeguard while also winning many medals for her swim teams. Throughout her lifetime, Lucille continued to love the ocean, the beach and most of all her backyard swimming pool. At age 45, Lou and Lucille both learned to ski

with their late sister and brother-in-law, Sophie and Bob. Their ski trips took them to the mountains of Cranmore, Bretton Woods, Loon and Wildcat, none of which intimidated her. The family enjoyed many years in the North Conway Mountain area at their home on Eagle Ridge. Lucille made her last downhill ski run at the “young” age of 76!

Lucille became an elementary school teacher in the Taunton school system after being a “stay at home mom” for fifteen years. She taught at Hopewell, Caswell and Martin Middle School at the fifth and sixth grade levels for 25 years until she retired in 1993... all while raising her own nine children.

After having retired, Lucille and Lou spent time traveling from their home, in Raynham, to Florida, where they had relatives; Nova Scotia, searching family heritage; cruising the Caribbean enjoying fine dining and relaxation; New York at Lake Placid; Virginia battlefields and other historic venues; Pennsylvania at Gettysburg; ski trips to Vermont and New Hampshire; and finally, points of interest in good ole Massachusetts. With the years piling on like the snows of winter, traveling lost out to the warm hearth of home and the comfort of our family room.

During the course of the years, she met many wonderful people, all of whom made teaching and travel worthwhile and gave so much pleasure to her life, Lucy was, and is, much loved by those who knew her and will be greatly missed by family and friends.

Relatives and friends are invited to attend a Funeral from the Crapo-Hathaway Funeral Home, on Wednesday, at 9AM, followed by a Mass of Christian Burial in St Ann’s Church, Raynham, at 10AM.

Visiting hours on Tuesday, from 4-8PM. Interment Cedar Knoll Cemetery, East Taunton.

Donations in her memory may be made to Our Daily Bread, PO Box 149, Taunton, MA 02780.

# Cemetery

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**Cedar Knoll Cemetery**  
175 Staples St  
East Taunton, MA, 02718

# Events

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**APR 17** **Calling Hours** 04:00PM - 08:00PM  
Crapo-Hathaway Funeral Home  
350 Somerset Avenue, Taunton, MA, US, 02780

**APR 18** **Funeral** 09:00AM  
Crapo-Hathaway Funeral Home  
350 Somerset Avenue, Taunton, MA, US, 02780

**APR 18** **Funeral Mass** 10:00AM  
St. Ann Church  
Raynham, MA, US

# Comments

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“ My dear Mother

The Lord blessed her with three heavenly virtues,

FAITH, HOPE & CHARITY

The greatest of all, she always said ,was Charity. And it begins at home. It was the essence of the loving and caring Mother who is so dearly loved.

I love you Mumma,  
Sharon

**Sharon M Peters** - April 17, 2018 at 02:03 PM

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“ Lucille made me feel welcome, from the very first, when I came to this part of the world in the 80's. As I got to know her more and more over the years, I recognized what a special person she was. Besides all of her other responsibilities and concerns she always asked how my mother and father were or about my brother and sister. She was always interested in other people, sympathetic when things were difficult or happy for you when things went well. She was a classy lady with a big heart.

I always enjoyed hanging out with Lou and Lucy whether skiing in North Conway or visiting in Lakeville or Raynham or just at Apazidis for breakfast. I loved her sense of humor and her feistiness and most especially, her repartee with Lou. That was classic.

I will fondly remember all of these things and so many, many others, as well, the rest of my life.

Lucille, you will be sorely missed by everyone you touched in your life and I will miss you greatly.

Eric Cressman

**Eric Cressman** - April 16, 2018 at 04:07 PM

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“ I am fortunate to belong to a family where our elders insist that everyone in the family remain close. My Uncle Lou and Aunt Lucille have been our most outspoken advocates for keeping our family tight. I recently had the good fortune to have several visits with my Aunt Lucille. I was warned by my cousins that Lucille had moments where her memory was slipping. Well, I caught her on the days where she was as sharp as ever. She told me the story about when she and my Uncle Lou first met. The way she told that story made me believe that winning My Uncle's love was

her greatest accomplishment. After 66 years together, their love for each other was never stronger. I told my wife after we were driving home, "That is exactly the way I want to be when I'm 90 years old."

While growing up, all the way through my teens, I spent many days visiting Uncle Lou, Aunt Lucille and the cousins. As I watched her interact, I was in awe. What an incredible woman and I went around telling anyone who would listen, "Aunt Lucille is the "Coolest" Aunt we have!" However, it was not until I was in my twenties did I discover how athletic she was. Her and Lou took up skiing and would often time invite me to tag along. Now Lou is a good skier, I'm a good skier, but Aunt Lucille put us all to shame. She would ski down those mountains with the grace and style for which I have never seen.

The thing I am going to miss the most is My Aunt Lucille's quick wit. Countless time I've witnessed her wise cracking fill a room with laughter. And God love her, she passed down that part of herself to each and every one of her children. It has always been such a great adventure being around her and her remarkable family. I am truly blessed. Aunt Lucille, you will surely be missed.

**Timothy Peters** - April 16, 2018 at 10:10 AM

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“Hearing this news, I want Uncle Lou and the rest of the Peters family to know you are in my thoughts. I'll remember Aunt Lu from all those family wedding celebrations/parties in the backyard, bumping into Aunt Lu and Uncle Lou on the slopes in New Hampshire, and, most of all, for her uplifting laugh. I always have a smile when I think of Aunt Lu. May all those smiles, as you remember the great times, help you through this time, and keep the memory of Aunt Lu alive and well.

**Rob Best**  
Maitland, Florida

**Rob Best** - April 14, 2018 at 09:03 AM