



Lucienne Maley

May 13, 1920 - May 18, 2020

Lucienne Maley, 100, of Liverpool, passed away peacefully on Monday. She was born and raised in LaLouviere, Belgium where she met her husband in 1946, a GI soldier, and came to the U.S. shortly after to marry and become a citizen. Her European profession was a Prima Ballerina. In 1938 when the war hit Europe and Lucienne's dance troupe ceased its tours, she began teaching at the school for Professional Teachers of Dance in Brussels, Belgium. She brought her students experience from the footlights of theaters in Paris, Marseilles, Cannes, Nice, Lyon and Tunis Algiers.

Her dance career inspired her to open her own studio, "The Lu Maley Studio of Dance" in Liverpool. She also originated the PTA sponsored after school dance programs for the Liverpool Central School District. Lucienne was also a longtime member of Dance Masters of America. Her love for dance kept her dancing well into her 90's with many senior groups. Lucienne was a communicant of St. Joseph's the Worker Church in Liverpool.

She was predeceased by her husband, Lucien P. Maley; and daughter, Anita Maley.

Lucienne is survived by her son, Lucien (Debbie) Maley; daughter, Donna (Keith) Nelipowitz; four grandchildren.

Private funeral services will be held.

Comments



“ Donna & Family,
I was touched to see your mother's picture and read of her passing. I was one of her after-school dancers from Chestnut Hill Elementary so many years ago, and without her program, likely would never have had the opportunity to learn ballet and believe I could be a “real” ballerina (at least during annual recitals from 1st- 5th grade!). I remember her beautiful accent, her posture, and her compassion and dedication to dance... also remember looking up to her daughters who danced so beautifully at the recitals. I always saw her as a prima ballerina, never knowing that she really was one. I am sorry for your loss, and wanted you to know that your mother had a positive impact on little girls growing up in Liverpool, and will live on in our memories.
-Janet Kohl Wysokowski

Janet Wysokowski - May 27 at 07:40 AM



“ I worked with Lucienne in rehab PT and she was a love I got to sing Happy Birthday to her for her 100th birthday! So sorry for your loss, she touched me for the brief time I knew her.
Anne Howell

Anne - May 24 at 10:26 AM



“ I so very much love this woman, I have thought about here a million; times with such joy since she moved out. She raises the bar very high with her compassion, love, non judgmental beauty! I'm so very sorry for your loss!
Colleen / Woodsboro Apartments

colleen - May 24 at 10:19 AM



“ Donna and Keith, thinking of you at this time. Keith, a childhood friend and Donna, my best friend in 7th grade. I still remember her studio in the basement. Sending prayers.... JoAnne McAllister (Lamanna)

Jo McAllister - May 21 at 06:06 PM



“ So so sorry guys. Our love and prayers are with you and all the family. God bless your mom.

STEVE HUGHES - May 21 at 06:45 AM



“ Dear Donna.
So very sorry to read of the sad news of losing your mom. My memories of Liverpool still remain strong of our friendship and time together at your home with all the dance mirrors!! Stay strong and God Bless you and your family.
Shelley Mueller Fortney

Shelley Mueller Fortney - May 21 at 06:37 AM



“ Donna, Lucien and families,
Sincerest condolences on the death of your mother, Lucienne.
I remember when she first came to the states to stay with us until her wedding to Uncle Lucien. A reporter and a photographer from the Syracuse Herald Journal came to our house to interview and photograph the engaged couple. My parents translated the questions for her.
She had a wonderful, full life. May she rest In peace.

Ruth Ann Milazzo-Knox,
Annapolis, Maryland

ruth knox - May 20 at 08:32 PM



“ Lucien, Donna and families...Such a beautiful woman and great dancer! How fondly I remember the house and studio in Liverpool that seemed so huge when we were children. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you.

Judy Caligiovanni OBrien

Judy O'Brien - May 20 at 08:04 PM



“ My prayers are with you all, Lucien, Donna and your families!
I was a proud member of Aunt Lou's dance studio and sometime ballerina my fond memories make my heart smile and hope you are all well!

Jacqueline ONeill - May 20 at 07:50 PM