



## Mrs. Hortense Rich Street

February 9, 2014

Hortense (Tenny) Street was born October 15, 1919 in Rouses Point, New York. She passed away quietly and peacefully on Sunday February 9, 2014, at Bethany Lodge in Unionville, Ontario.

Tenny, dear wife of the late Howard (Mike) Street (1987), beloved Mom of Michael (Carol), Tony (Louise), Christine (Mark Gerwlvch), Lorraine, June, and Frances.

Much-loved Gammy of Jennifer (Mike), David (Michelle), Alison (Shawn), Anne-Marie (Ryan), Gillian (Geoff), Erin, Christopher, Lindsey, and Lauren (London). Great-Gammy to Connor, Everly, and Baby Coupe, due very soon. Special aunt to Diane Rogers, Shirley Hawkins, Suzanne Diamond, and mother-in-law of Carolyn Turkington.

Tenny was a world traveller who had adventures in many places, including trips to Australia, China, and South America, and an overnight stay by herself in Petroglyphs Provincial Park, Ontario, in 2008. Not to be forgotten, the annual family vacations in Ocean Park, Maine. She was an avid bridge player and lover of crossword puzzles. Reading newspapers and magazines and then writing letters to the editor were passions of hers. Tenny was a CBC girl who always had a radio on and tuned to the CBC in every room. She was a devotee of the National Ballet and live theatre.

Once her children were grown, Tenny became more involved with the American Women's Club of Montreal, Montreal's Encore Education Program, and Alliance Quebec in the fight against separatism.

Tenny moved to Toronto in 1992 and took many courses through U of T's Lifelong Learning Program. She also worked as a volunteer at the AGO for many years, was active with the American Woman's Club of Toronto and the Wynford Bridge Group, and served for a time on the Board of Directors of Concorde Place, where she lived for 18 years.

Most important to Gammy were her nine grandchildren. "GAMMY 9" was her moniker. She attended more recitals, games, and competitions, bought more raffle tickets, wrapping paper, and chocolates than most! Tenny loved to brag about each and every one of them, and they loved their Gam right back!

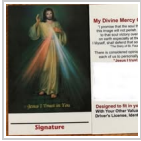
Tenny's family would like to extend their heartfelt thanks to the entire staff at Bethany Lodge, especially the PSWs and the Nursing Staff of Harrington House. The care, attention, support, and concern for Mom and for her family was amazing and much appreciated. A special thank you to Jane Leofanti who spent many hours with Mom. Thanks as well to Markham Stouffville Hospital, especially Katie Adams, for their care of Mom over the last few years.

Donations in Tenny's memory can be made to  
Alzheimer's Ontario ((<http://www.alzheimer.ca/en/on/Get-involved/Donate> )  
National Ballet of Canada [http://national.ballet.ca/supportus/How\\_to\\_make\\_a\\_gift/](http://national.ballet.ca/supportus/How_to_make_a_gift/)  
War Amps of Canada [http://www.waramps.ca/donation/in\\_memoriam.html](http://www.waramps.ca/donation/in_memoriam.html)

A memorial service will be held in the summer. Please sign the Guest Book at <http://www.aftercare.org/obituaries/> to allow us to contact you.

“We’ll meet again  
Don’t know where  
Don’t know when  
But I know we’ll meet again, some sunny day.”

# Tribute Wall



“ 23 files added to the album *New Album Name*



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**Suzanne Diamond** - August 23, 2014 at 03:43 PM

MF

“ *To Mike and family,*

*I am really sad to hear of your mom's passing, but glad that her suffering is over now.*

*She was a part of my growing up in Montreal, and then in Toronto. I will always remember her fondly.*

*Mike Foster in Vancouver now*

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**Mike Foster** - February 18, 2014 at 05:00 PM

AL

“ 1 file added to the album *Here's Looking at You !*



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Ali - February 18, 2014 at 10:47 AM

MD

“ Dear June and family,

*I'm sad to learn of your mother's passing. Although it's been many years, my memories of her have been of a sharp-witted, politically astute lady with a great sense of humour. My heart goes out to you at this time.*

*Love and hugs,*

*Manuela Dohmen (Wela)*

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Manuela Dohmen - February 18, 2014 at 10:30 AM

CH

*Hi Wela, on behalf of all the Streets, I would like to thank you for your memories of Mom. Christine ( cmmmsg67@gmail.com )*

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christine - February 21, 2014 at 05:15 PM

JS

*Hello Wela Not sure if you received my response the other day, I hope so but if for some reason you did not, here is a short version. It was such a surprise to see your name on the tribute wall for my Mom, really made my day and I know she would have been very pleased. Sure hope we can get in touch and continue this reunion. Thanks Again Your Old Friend June*

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June Masters, daughter of Tenny Street - February 21, 2014 at 10:15 PM

SM

“ Shannon O'Connor And Dave Markey lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Hortense Rich Street



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**Shannon O'Connor and Dave Markey** - February 18, 2014 at 10:13 AM

SL

“ Many happy memories with Auntie Tenny and Uncle Howard. Will never forget the horror when Auntie Tenny was missing overnight in the forest - what a wonderful happy ending that had.

*She had a live well lived and will be missed.*

*Susan (Bartlett) Leblanc and family*

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**Susan Leblanc** - February 18, 2014 at 07:45 AM

EE

“ Erin Elliott lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Hortense Rich Street



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**Erin Elliott** - February 17, 2014 at 03:14 PM

EB

“ Dear Chris and Mark, and extended family:  
I have many fond memories of get-togethers and outing that included your mom, Chris. I always loved her spunk and "can-do" attitude towards life in those senior years of life. I hope that we will be as lively and independent as she was in the coming years of our own lives. I know she is enjoying wandering the woods in heaven, where you can never get lost, because there is never a wrong way to go. You and your brothers and sisters are the wonderful legacy she leaves behind and we are blessed to be included in your circle of friends.  
Love, Erin & Tom xxoo

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**Erin & Tom Butash** - February 17, 2014 at 01:48 PM

DM

“ *Chris and Mark*  
We're very sorry to read of your mother's recent passing. After reading the condolences, we know she was much loved by many. Our sympathies to both of you.  
Doug and Mary Lynn

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**Doug MacLean** - February 16, 2014 at 06:09 PM



“ We miss our beloved Mom/Aunty Tenny/Gammy. I was so blessed to be her "seventh rotten kid" as she used to say! No words can express how wonderful she is - her sense of humor, her wisdom and her spirit will forever uplift our hearts. I wish that Emily and Malcolm and I had gotten to spend more time with her over the past few years but we got to see her four times since 2000 which is pretty good considering how far we live from Ontario.

*The kids and I have offered up several Catholic masses for Mom/Gammy and have lit candles and prayed rosaries and other prayers for her. I am particularly appreciative for her and Dad/Uncle Howard's support of our Catholic Faith as we grew up, the faith which sustains us!*

*I am praying for a Catholic funeral for our beloved Mom/Gam and praying for her prayer intentions to be answered. So I understand, after death we realize a few things that we didn't realize during life - and we and our loved ones can all benefit from the masses and prayers said for us. The love that will be felt at Mom/AuntyTenny/Gammy's funeral will lift up so many souls!!! I can't wait!!!*

*May her soul rejoice in heaven with the Lord eternally!*

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**Suzanne Diamond** - February 16, 2014 at 01:21 AM

PT

“ Paul-Leon And Cathy Tuzeneu lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Hortense Rich Street



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**Paul-Leon and Cathy Tuzeneu** - February 15, 2014 at 10:22 PM

CL

“ On behalf of the Auxiliary of the Father Dowd Home, we wish to extend our sincere condolences to Tenny's family. We have very fond memories of Tenny and her dedication to the residents of the Father Dowd Home.

*Claire L'Africain, President  
Auxiliary of the Father Dowd Home*

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**Claire L'Africain** - February 15, 2014 at 07:34 AM

CG

“ 1 file added to the album *The Family*



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**Christine Gerwivch** - February 14, 2014 at 05:26 PM

PM

“ *Pat Mearns lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Hortense Rich Street*



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**Pat Mearns** - February 14, 2014 at 01:17 PM

PS

“ *Phyllis Sisson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Hortense Rich Street*



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**Phyllis Sisson** - February 14, 2014 at 10:20 AM

KA

“ *Karyn Johnson AWCT lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Hortense Rich Street*



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**Karyn Johnson AWCT** - February 14, 2014 at 08:08 AM

SD

“ *Suzanne Diamond lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Hortense Rich Street*



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**Suzanne Diamond** - February 14, 2014 at 02:11 AM

JA

“ *I am so grateful to have had the privilege to care for Tenny. My relationship with Tenny began with me as her caregiver and grew into a wonderful friendship. I actually fell in love with this extraordinary lady during this time. I was very sad to say goodbye, but am comforted with the knowledge that Tenny lived a wonderfully full life with her children, grandchildren and great grandchildren, whom she was so proud of.*

*Thank you to Christine and Family for choosing me to care for Tenny. My heart is with you all at this time.*

*Jane Leofanti*

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**Jane** - February 13, 2014 at 10:35 PM

SD

“ A very special lady who touched so many lives for the better. A life time of wonderful memories will bring laughs, smiles and happy tears to all of you and those your family considered family. Our deepest sympathy to all of you. Susan and Mike Doyle

Susan & Mike Doyle - February 13, 2014 at 03:57 PM

AS

“ Ours thoughts and prayers are with you all during this difficult time. She was a wonderful woman who will be very missed. I am sure the 4 of them are having a drink up there looking down on us. Lots of love,  
Ashleigh, Ryan, Grady and Shae

Ashleigh - February 13, 2014 at 11:53 AM

JL

“ Jason Latremoille lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Hortense Rich Street



Jason Latremoille - February 13, 2014 at 10:26 AM

SD

“ Susan Destine lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Hortense Rich Street



susan destine - February 13, 2014 at 09:25 AM

DF

“ Darcy Flynn lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Hortense Rich Street



Darcy Flynn - February 13, 2014 at 08:59 AM

JS

Thank You Darcy for lighting a candle in memory of our Mom, it was nice to talk to you last week. Take Care June

June Masters, daughter of Tenny Street - February 21, 2014 at 10:03 PM

SF

“ I remember how happy Tenny was when she got her new jeans at age 90. What a wonderful go getter!!!

Sharon and Frank - February 13, 2014 at 07:57 AM

SF

“ Sharon And Frank lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Hortense Rich Street



Sharon and Frank - February 13, 2014 at 07:55 AM

KF

“ Kathy Flynn lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Hortense Rich Street



Kathy Flynn - February 13, 2014 at 05:40 AM

JB

“ *Jejnnofer. Brice lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Hortense Rich Street*



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**jejnnofer. brice** - February 13, 2014 at 01:10 AM

ES

“ *My deepest condolences and heartfelt sympathy to your family. Tenny was such a wonderful person and I will always remember her very fondly. She was an amazing woman and an inspiration to all of us who knew her.*



*Eileen Seigel*

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**Eileen Seigel** - February 13, 2014 at 12:22 AM

LS

“ *Liz And Tony Smart lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Hortense Rich Street*



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**Liz and Tony Smart** - February 12, 2014 at 10:12 PM

CP

“ *Your mother will be remembered with a smile always! What an amazing, feisty, fabulous-in-her-first-pair-of-jeans-at-90 kind of woman! Our deepest condolences at the loss of your mom and gammy. I know she is happily reunited with your dad and is having new "Dora the Explorer" adventures.*

*God Bless you all, give you peace and comfort from the many, many wonderful memories of Tenny.*

*Love and hugs*

*Carrie and the Perruzza Family*

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**carrie perruzza** - February 12, 2014 at 05:59 PM

DC

“ *Danuta & Bart Chowaniec lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Hortense Rich Street*



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**Danuta & Bart Chowaniec** - February 12, 2014 at 05:33 PM

MB

“ *Chris, Mark, Jenn, and Ann-Marie*  
*What a legacy of exciting events and travels your dear mum has left each of you. Petite in stature but grande in character and fortitude. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and her loving family.*  
*Maureen & Quinto Bachetti*

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**maureen bachetti** - February 12, 2014 at 05:15 PM

KC

“ *Please know that my thoughts are with you and your family, Chris. May the warm memories that you have of your mom bring you peace at this time. Karen Cooper*

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**Karen Cooper** - February 12, 2014 at 04:19 PM

RM

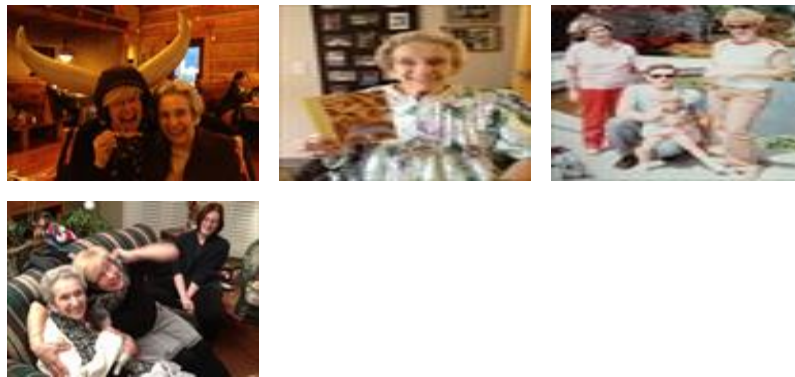
“ *Rena Mooney lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Hortense Rich Street*



Rena Mooney - February 12, 2014 at 03:37 PM

AL

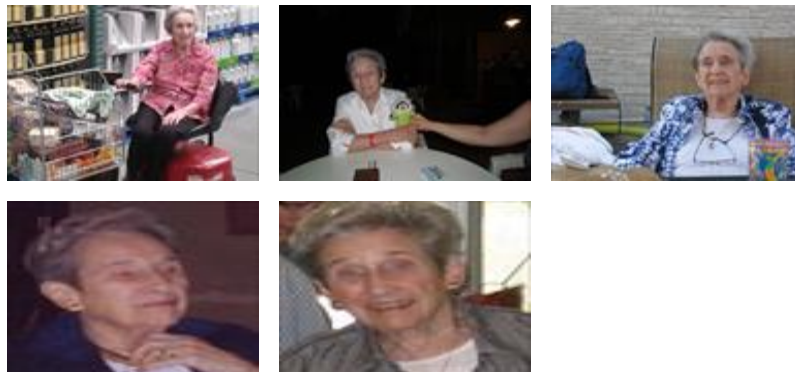
“ *4 files added to the album Here's Looking at You !*



Ali - February 12, 2014 at 11:57 AM

CG

“ *23 files added to the album Over the Years - a Snapshot*



Christine Gerwlvich - February 12, 2014 at 11:49 AM

DW

*That was so much fun Chris looking back at your mums life! Her twinkle shines in every photo! Deborah*

deborah wingate - February 12, 2014 at 07:43 PM

CG

“ 1 file added to the album Here's Looking at You !



CHRISTINE GERWLIVCH - February 12, 2014 at 10:02 AM



*Thanks for sharing this lovely picture Junie! I was thinking today that maybe we could make a philanthropic effort with Mom/Aunty Tenny's spectacular silver spoon collection and create "Tenny's Tea House" where people could go to have tea of all different kinds and wear fancy hats - like we used to do at Jean and Ray Brooks' house for tea parties - and all proceeds would go to charities. What do you think? Of course, it would require a tea house location - but that's just a minor detail! Or if we wanted to be really nostalgic we could call it "Tenny and Teeny's Tea House" because I'm sure that our Mom's had tea parties as kids and it would be a fun way to remember the good ol' times!!!*

Suzanne Diamond - February 20, 2014 at 08:51 PM

CG

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Christine Gerwlvch - February 12, 2014 at 09:54 AM

LW

*What a great idea, Chris. It was nice to read how active a life your mother led. I now see where you get all your energy and enthusiasm for whatever is a possibility for your agenda.*

*Since I am still a klutz on the computer, I am having trouble listing in the Guest Book. Please add Bill and myself so we will get your mom's memorial service date in August info.*

*Hugs. Lola*

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**Lola Wheeler** - February 12, 2014 at 02:51 PM