
Rita Bertram



BERTRAM, Rita Rita (Hemond) Bertram, 87, of Avon and Key Largo, FL, beloved wife and partner for 23 years to Joseph H. Bertram, died Saturday, (July 18, 2009), at John Dempsey Hospital, Farmington. Born in Lewiston, ME, daughter of the late Roseanne (Plante) Hemond and Alphonse Hemond, she was raised in Lewiston and graduated from Ave Maria School in Sabattus, ME and Mechanic Falls High School in Mechanic Falls, ME. She also graduated from Acme Business College, Lewiston, ME. Rita was employed since 1959 by the Bertram Company, Bloomfield as an administrative assistant and finally Treasurer until the company was sold in 1995. She enjoyed golf and held memberships in both Wampanoag Country Club, West Hartford and Card Sound Country Club in Key Largo, FL. She also loved to fish the Atlantic Ocean with her husband Joe off Key Largo, FL. An avid needlepoint artist, she had made over 400 items which she either gave to family or sent as gifts. Rita was an outgoing and caring person, especially to her husband Joe, whom friends and relatives said was a delight to be with.

Besides her husband she leaves a daughter Irene Piegza and her husband Gerald of Chicopee, MA; a grandson Scott Sonnone of Ashville, NC; two brothers Andy Hemond and his wife Anne of Falmouth, MA and John Hemond and his wife Priscilla of Minot, ME; and two sisters Irene Patry of Bangor, ME and Theresa Patry of Minot, ME. She was predeceased by her first husband Matti Ojala and two brothers George and Roland Hemond. She also leaves Joe's children; Dennis Bertram, his wife Diane and their daughter Olivia; Jane Bally, her husband Dion and their children Paul and Elizabeth; and Ruth Burke, her husband Jarrod and their children Tabitha and Shelby. A private Mass of Christian Burial will be held Wednesday for her family at the Church of St. Ann, Avon with entombment to follow in Simsbury Cemetery Mausoleum. Contributions may be made to the [Alzheimer's Association](#) , 279 New Britain Road, Suite 5, Kensington, CT, 06037. There are no calling hours. The Carmon Funeral Home & Family Center of Avon is caring for the arrangements. For condolences please visit [www. carmonfuneralhome.com](http://www.carmonfuneralhome.com)

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