



Ellen Branin

June 28, 1936 - October 22, 2014

Ellen Branin, 78, of Tinton Falls, passed away on early Wednesday October 22, 2014 at her home. Born in Tampere, Finland she came to this country at the age of 13 and has been a resident of Tinton Falls for the past 44 years. She graduated from Red Bank Regional High School and attended Monmouth College. She was employed as an auditor for the County of Monmouth for 12 years and the Boro of Tinton Falls as Borough Clerk and as Assistant Borough Administrator for 10 years. Ellen served on the Tinton Falls Borough Council for 4 years, and had 20 years of modeling, public relations and nursery school teaching experience. She was also very active with the Monmouth County Republican Party.

She is predeceased by her son Mark C. Branin in 2006 and a brother Larry Lehtonen in 2007. Surviving is her husband of 57 years Jack M. Branin, a daughter; Jill E. Carroll and her husband Daniel of Stowe, VT., a son; Jack M. Branin Jr. and his wife Jody of Howell, five grandchildren; Sean Hunt, Daniel and Kelly Carroll, and Andrew and Ian Branin. She is also survived by a brother Mark Lehtonen and his wife Rona.

Visitations will be from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. Sunday October 26, 2014 at the Bongarzone Funeral home, 2400 Shafto Road, Tinton Falls. Funeral Services will be offered at 10 a.m. Monday at the funeral home. Interment will follow at Fairview Cemetery, Middletown. In lieu of flowers donations in her memory may be made to the Alzheimer's Foundation, 400 Morris Ave., Suite 251, Denville, NJ 07834.

Cemetery Details

Fair View Cemetery

Route 35
Middletown, NJ

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **26**. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Bongarzone Funeral Home
2400 Shafto Road
Tinton Falls, NJ 07712
(732) 918-6200

Visitation

OCT **26**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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Funeral Service

OCT **27**. 10:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

LL

“ I just wanted to say that Ellen was one of the most together sophisticated woman I knew. She had poise and dignity but was able to share a joke.
I always will remember the few Thanksgivings I celebrated with Ellen and Jack- I always tried to bring something even though they had more than enough- and so for 2 years I prepared something and brought it on a Turkey Platter which was a hostess gift from me and Ellen very nicely told Rona to let me know on Thanksgiving # 3 that I don't need to bring another platter she now has enough!
I have always being with you and. Will miss you ! And I'm also glad I was there to help Ellen these past few times
My prayers and thoughts are with you and your family.
Love Lynn

Lynn Lodge - October 27, 2014 at 10:50 AM

TK

“ Thomas Kim lit a candle in memory of Ellen Branin



Thomas Kim - October 27, 2014 at 08:38 AM

DI

“ Uncle Jack and family, please accept my deepest condolences in Aunt Ellen's passing. She was a lovely woman and will be missed by all. Your family is in my prayers at this sad time.
Diane Horvath (Jane's friend)



Diane - October 26, 2014 at 11:36 AM



“ *Rona Lehtonen purchased the A Full Life for the family of Ellen Branin.*



Rona Lehtonen - October 24, 2014 at 11:07 PM



“ *The reality is that you will grieve forever. You will not "get over" the loss of a loved one; you will learn to live with it. You will heal and you will rebuild yourself around the loss you have suffered. You will be whole again but you will never be the same. Nor should you be the same nor would you want to. I hope your memories help to ease the pain and the memories shared by others bring you some comfort.*

E- Elegant

L –Loving

L- Loyal

E- Equanimous

N- Nurturing

When I think of Ellen these are a few of the words that come to mind. I will always remember the sophistication and class she displayed and I will always be thankful for the love she had for Mark, Leeann and Danielle.

Rona Lehtonen - October 24, 2014 at 10:58 PM



“ *Bongarzone Funeral Home lit a candle in memory of Ellen Branin*



bongarzone funeral home - October 24, 2014 at 02:16 PM

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“ *"The Chu Family" lit a candle in memory of Ellen Branin*



"The Chu Family" - October 24, 2014 at 01:26 PM

HS

“ *Jack and family,
So sorry for your loss. Know you are in our thoughts and prayers.*

Harry and Linda Scalea

Harry Scalea - October 24, 2014 at 10:09 AM

MC

“ *Farewell girlfriend many happy memories between us from high school to weddings. May God hold you in His arms... until we meet again, love Maria Citarella*

Maria Citarella - October 24, 2014 at 08:25 AM