

## DOLORES T. "DEE" TARANTINO SCHOLARSHIP

Dolores T. "Dee" (Giancola) Tarantino, age 80, of Mansfield, passed away peacefully at home, surrounded by her loving family on Thursday, July 15, 2021. She was the beloved wife of Richard A. Tarantino, to whom she was wed on September 16, 1961.

Born in Boston, MA on November 23, 1940, she was a loving daughter of the late Louis Giancola and Theresa (DiCarlo) Roderick. She later grew up with her stepfather, the late Frank Roderick, who she adored.

Dee grew up and was educated in the Jamaica Plain neighborhood of Boston. She met Richard, the love of her life, at the local store called the Busy Bee. When younger, she worked as a talented hair-dresser at the Bill Curtis Hair Salon in Boston.

For the past fifty-five years, Dee had made her home in Mansfield and was a well known and loved member of the community. Prior to retiring, she worked as a Special Education Teacher's Aide for the Bi-County Collaborative for twenty-five years, a job she truly enjoyed bringing joy, peace and love to so many children and families with disabilities. She also worked for the Arc of South Norfolk, formerly owned and operated the Treat Shoppe, a penny candy store on North Main Street in downtown Mansfield and was affectionately known as the "Mill Street Mom" to everyone on her street. Like her heart, her home was always an open place.

An active communicant of Saint Mary's Church in Mansfield, Dee served the parish in many-many ways. She was a former Religious Education Teacher and as a gifted musician with a beautiful singing voice, helped with Saint Mary's Folk Group. She would open her Cape house to have unforgettable weekend retreats for the group with Father Bruce. Mrs. Tarantino also led the children's chorus, and you could always find Dee's special penny candy table at the church's annual September fest. She was a deeply spiritual person who found God's love in everyone she met.

Dee was also a former Cub Scout Leader, a former member of the Mansfield Band Parents Association and was involved with Special Olympics and Relay for Life Walks, which was her favorite. She also treasured memories created along with her family and her late dog "Maggie" at their Cape Cod home.

Family was Dee's first love and priority. She enjoyed keeping up on traditions, whether it be family reunions, Sunday dinners or throwing a party to keep people together. She was a woman who truly knew how to celebrate life. She will be forever missed by all who knew and loved her.

In addition to her husband of nearly sixty years, she is survived by her devoted children: Richard A. Tarantino and his wife Susan of North Attleboro, TinaMarie Petrella and her fiancé Gregory Lamanna of Mystic, CT and Maria Tarantino Cortese and her spouse Shelley Cortese of Barrington, RI. She was the cherished grandmother of Corey, Ryan, Nathaniel, Joshua, Zachary, Ricky, Matthew, Alex, Lauren, Nikki and the great grandmother of Grayson and Sophia. She was the dear sister of Theresa Giancola, Christina Giancola, John Giancola and the late Maria Mead and Linda Giancola. She was the special sister-in-law of Robert Tarantino and his wife Ann and Agnes Smith who was predeceased by her late husband Kenneth Smith. She is also survived by several generations of loving nieces and nephews.

## MIDDLESEX DEPUTY SHERIFF'S ASSOC, INC. **DORLORS "DEE" TARANTINO** SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

To be eligible for a scholarship an applicant must: Be a 2023 high school graduate, receiving a diploma MUST have a letter of acceptance into a college program (minimum 2 years) enclosed with the application.

In addition to the completed application which is enclosed, each applicant will be required to submit an essay. The essay requirements are as follows: (1) Essay topic options (pick one):□Why you should be awarded a scholarship □A life changing event □A teacher or person that has impacted your life (2) The essay must be 2-3 pages in length (3) Typed and double spaced (4) Essay to be submitted with the student information application no later than July 1,2023. The names of all applicants will be placed into a pool and TWO of the names submitted will be drawn from the pool for the \$1000.00 awards. The award winners and their parents will be invited to a recognition ceremony to take place at a date and time to be announced.

## Please enclose Color Photo of Applicant STUDENT INFORMATION

NAME:		
ADDRESS:	CITY/TOWN	ZIP
HOME PHONE#	SS#_	
E-MAIL ADDRESS:		
HIGH SCHOOL PRESENTING DIPLO	DMA:	
ADDRESS		
DATE OF GRADUATION:		
GUIDANCE COUNSELOR'S NAME:		
SCHOOL OR COLLEGE ACCEPTED	:	
	PARENTS - I N F O R M A T I O	N
ATHER NAME:		
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MOTHER NAME:		
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A copy of the acceptance letter from the school or college must be stapled to the application. The committee reserves the right to check on applications to be sure the applicant will attend the state school or college. If an applicant is not attending a school or college in the fall of 2022, the application will not be considered in the drawing.

"NOTE" All checks will be made out to the College or University directly if student has no social security number.

## **DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION IS MAY 1, 2023**

Please be advised that every student receving one of our Scholarships adward must sumit a copy or there tuition invoice showing t they are enrolled and attending classes befor we will issue the Scholsrship award they have been awarded. Sincerely, The Scholarship Committee

MAIL APPLICATION TO THE MIDDLESEX DEPUTY SHERIFF'S ASSOCIATION, INC. 35 CENTER STREET BURLINGTON MA. 01803 (781) 993-9250 Fax (781) 993-9251