



Ms. Leonida Weliky

August 8, 1925 - January 31, 2016

Leonida Weliky, beloved wife of the late Andre Weliky, passed away at age 90 on Sunday, January 31st 2016. She was the loving Mother of Svetlana (Frank) Markov, Victor (Joyce) Weliky. Dear Grandma of Alex, Andy, Rose and Mark and Great Grandmother of 4. In accordance with her wishes, cremation has been accorded. For more information, please call (773) 545-3800.

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“ Only a few short months ago. I met Leonida, "grandma", for the first time. Expecting to see an old lady, I was surprised by the strength, the brightness in her eyes, her pride. I couldn't resist taking photos and I kept thinking how much history, wisdom, stories and life this woman had in her. It's in our nature to try to hold on to all that, and yet, now we have to let her go.

I would have loved to hear more stories, to hear her switch back and forth between different languages, like she did that one afternoon, according to the where she was at the time or who's words she was repeating. But I'm also very grateful that I did get to meet her, and that her suffering didn't have to last too long. A journey has come to an end.

At the end of his life in 1794, the Ukrainian philosopher Hryhoriy Skovoroda requested this short inscription to be put on his grave : "The world tried to catch me but did not succeed".

I feel a connection to these words and it's comforting to know that also grandma's history, wisdom, humor and love for her family will live on in this family and beyond.



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“ I remember Grandma would have so much fun with her Great Grandchildren Victor and Zack. She would dance and sing with Victor and she just had a great light in here eyes with them.

I also remember coming over and visiting when I was younger. She would make the best meals and always have a treat for us. Her and Grandpa were very loved and will always be missed.

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“ Grandma was such a sweet and loving woman, I will miss her dearly. I'm happy that my wife Julie and I were able to see her one last time in November of 2015, in good health and spirits. She went through many hardships as a youth and with her husband Andre brought a beautiful family over to the US for a better life. We are forever indebted to her. RIP Grandma! Love you!



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