

HALL OF ACHIEVEMENT

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Journal

Toni Newman Clemens

Class of 1981

Toni has lived in Copiague since the age of two. Some of Toni's greatest memories are Field Day at Deauville Gardens and the High School Senior Play. She played softball with the Copiague Youth League at an early age and in high school was an active member of the student council, yearbook staff, Leaders Club and served as class president for all four years of high school. Additionally, in high school Toni played softball, field hockey and was a cheerleader. She loved cheering on the crowds during football and basketball games and the bus rides filled with song and great friends. Two of Toni's proudest moments are when she received the Gold Key Sports Award and the Drama Award at graduation.

After high school, Toni attended Nassau Community College to study Physical Therapy. This is where she found joy in taking care of the elderly and became a Certified Nursing Assistant. For several years Toni worked with the elderly, retired nuns at Madonna Heights in Huntington. During this time, she married her high school sweetheart, Bobby, and they are the proud parents of three children, all of whom are graduates of the Copiague School District.

While her children were growing up, Toni became actively involved with their schools and extracurricular activities. She was involved with the PTA, was a Cub Scout and Girl Scout leader, a coach for the Copiague Youth League and religious education teacher. During these years Toni could always be found in a school volunteering, not only to help with her own children but helping others as well. When her children reached high school age Toni became very active in the Sports Booster Club, serving on the Executive Board for many years. In that time, Homecoming has grown and so have the scholarships that are awarded to senior athletes each year.

Currently, Toni works as a teaching assistant in the Copiague School District. She loves seeing the children learn and grow into fine young adults. She appreciates the opportunity to take part in their early learning years and celebrate their successes.

***“In the end people won’t remember what you said or did,
they will remember how you made them feel.”***