



**WE ARE** Every Person Has a Story  
**METHUEN VILLAGE**



# EMMA CHAHANOVICH

## The Bowling Queen

**My passions & hobbies:** Bowling, painting and dancing

**What I like best about Methuen Village:** Participating in all of the hobbies that I love and the safety I feel living here.

**A fun fact about me:** I'm a longtime bowling enthusiast and winning contestant on the show, "Candlepins for Cash"!

**My motto:** "Always give something new a try and do your best."

**At 93 years young**, there is no stopping Emma! Born in Methuen, and raised along with her five siblings on a farm on Tyler Street, Emma is proud of her local roots and feels blessed to be a part of the Methuen Village community in her senior years.

## WE ARE....

### NEIGHBORS & FRIENDS

*100 of us live together in a close-knit community.*

*Assisted living residents enjoy an independent lifestyle and the comfort of private studio and 1BR apartment. Our Compass Memory Support Neighborhood® is an intimate dignified setting where the symptoms of memory loss are treated with innovative programming.*

Emma takes part in all that Methuen Village has to offer, including regular trips to Park Place Lanes Bowling Alley where she's a member of the senior league! Also a member of the Searles High School Class of 1942, Emma is in good company among other Searles grads living at Methuen Village. She recently attended her 75th reunion. *Go Emma!*

**Today you can find Emma socializing with friends at dinner and on outings!**

**Born in Bangor, Maine,** Suzanne attended Gorham State Teacher's College in Gorham, Maine. Shortly after graduation, Suzanne moved to Andover with her husband Henry where they raised their sons, Jeffrey and Stephen. When the boys were older, Suzanne taught 2nd graders for over 10 years. Throughout her life, Suzanne's passion has been singing. She performed in local shows and as a member of her church choir and continues to pursue her passion at Methuen Village. She enthusiastically participates in the "sing-along" entertainment and leads her fellow residents belting out tunes on trips aboard the community van!

***My passions & hobbies:** Singing, dancing, road trips aboard the Methuen Village van*

***What I like best about Methuen Village:** "There is a wonderful choice of things to do; there is always something going on."*

***My favorite item on our dining menu:** It's a tie - the fresh local baked cod or the tasty selection of home baked desserts!*

## WE ARE... LOCAL

**56%** of us grew up in Merrimack Valley communities including Methuen, Lawrence, Dracut, Lowell and Groton to name a few.

**27%** of us grew up in close-by New Hampshire communities like Pelham, Salem, Windham, Nashua and Derry.



**SUZANNE CORCORAN**  
**The Singing Sensation**

**Al was born** in Cambridge, MA and grew up in Arlington. An accomplished electrician, Al has been a member of the Local 103 Electrical Union for over 60 years! He and his wife Muriel raised their family in Burlington and loved spending time in their summer cottage (which Al built by hand) on Merrymeeting Lake. Here at Methuen Village, Al continues to work with his hands with his new-found love of baking. Every week residents and staff eagerly await Al's signature hot out-of-the-oven rolls that he bakes in our Country Kitchen!

**MOST POPULAR MEN'S PROGRAMS:**  
Horse races, poker, going out to lunch & trips to play pool at the Crow's Nest!

### A REAL LIFE LOVE STORY

Married for over 62 years, Al and Muriel's love and devotion to each other is an inspiration to all of us at Methuen Village. The couple met at a dance at Hill's Boathouse in Wakefield, married and raised four children. Still inseparable, Al and Muriel spend their days enjoying meals and programs with friends.

*Methuen Village is home to several married couples. They live together in their own apartment home with the peace of mind that comes from receiving the support and care that one or both of them needs. Like Al, many spouses whose partner may need an additional level of care find peace of mind knowing that their loved one is safe receiving the additional support he or she needs while still living together in their own apartment home.*



## AL SAUNDERS The Do-It-All Baker



Our resident “Mayor” Phyllis helps introduce new residents to all the community has to offer. From exciting field trips across the state, to lifelong learning pursuits through our research-based Reconnections program, and virtual “Grab Your Passport” travel days, Phyllis is always the first to join in!

**Phyllis resides in Methuen Village’s Compass Memory Support Neighborhood.** Affiliated with the Boston University Alzheimer’s Disease Center, Compass offers Phyllis the ability to live independently while receiving the care and support she needs, including a structured schedule of research-based programs aimed at treating the symptoms of memory loss and boosting self-confidence.

## WE ARE...

PURSUING OUR PASSION TO LEARN!



# PHYLLIS DARRAGH

## The Program Enthusiast

### Program Highlights:

- “Bringing Generations Together”, an art program and exhibit featuring works from residents in collaboration with art students from Central Catholic High School.
- “PhotoVoice”, a creative project and exhibit featuring resident photographs and writings.
- Live martial arts workshops, Brain Healthy Cooking demonstrations and dance lessons.
- Community concerts, Music Hall field trips to catch the region’s premiere performers, and so much more!

## TRAVEL THE WORLD WITH US!

Our **Grab Your Passport Program** honors our residents’ diverse backgrounds by taking them on a year-long virtual trip across the globe, experiencing different cultures through the arts, education and cuisine. Travel to this month’s destination with us! *Call for details.*



# WE ARE... VETERANS



## TONY PERILLO

A Lawrence native, Tony attended Lawrence High School before serving his country in the Army during WWII. Later on, Tony married the love of his life, Angie, and raised his family in Methuen. A hard worker, Tony worked at the Lawrence Mills before becoming a custodian for the Lawrence schools until his retirement. These days, you'll find Tony enjoying the relaxing lifestyle at Methuen Village - reading the newspaper, catching up with friends over lunch and boasting about his 24 grandchildren!

## WALTER BAYLOR

After graduating from Northeastern University, Walter realized he wanted a hands-on profession, so he took the Air Force Qualifying Exam and entered the service. For four years he worked on C5 aircrafts in Mississippi and Delaware. After the Air Force, Walter started a lengthy career at Mass General and then at Boston Children's Hospital, where he helped design the hospital's intricate communication system. At Methuen Village, Walter's favorite outing aboard the community van is to the local minor league baseball games!

## Methuen Village proudly offers Veteran's Programs including:

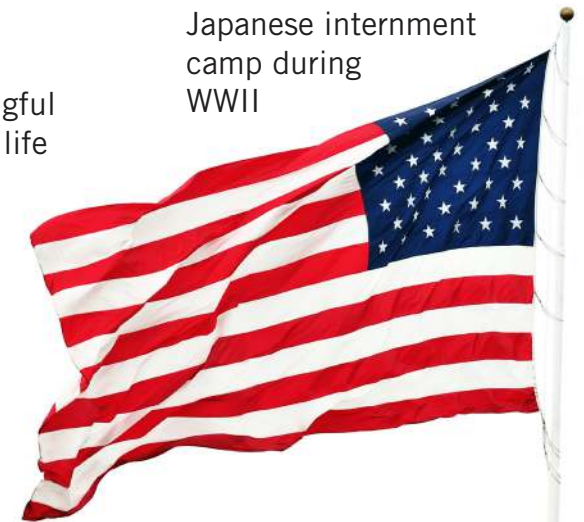
**Monthly Veteran's Socials** with the Director of Methuen Veteran's Services. An opportunity for socializing and getting help with Veteran's needs (Open to public)

**Partnership with Methuen High School's Army Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps (JROTC).** Methuen Village residents and students collaborate on meaningful projects teaching students real life skills and character building.

**25% of Methuen Village residents have served in the military or are spouses of servicemen.**

- Serving in WWII & the Korean War
- One resident survived a German concentration camp during WWII
- One resident was in a Japanese internment camp during WWII

**WE ARE MEN: 30% of us are men, well above the average 7:1 ratio of women to men in assisted living communities.**



# LOYCE RODDEN

## The Green Thumb Goddess



**MOST POPULAR PROGRAMS  
AMONG WOMEN:** Art workshops,  
exercise, social hour, monthly ladies  
tea socials & walking club.

**Loyce loves to keep busy**, whether it's getting her hands dirty working in one of the community garden beds or going on a shopping trip with her best gal pals. She grew up in Lawrence where she met her husband in high school. After a first date at Canobie Lake Park catching a big band act, the rest was history. Loyce and her husband moved to Andover where they

raised their five children. As her children grew older Loyce went back to work at Gillette and later Dow Industries where she worked in accounting and purchasing. Loyce now enjoys spending her days with her many friends, feeling lucky to be a part of Methuen Village's vibrant community!

**Lorraine was born and raised** in Lawrence, where she attended Lawrence High School and later met her husband Bill. The two raised their family on Hancock Street, and like many Merrimack Valley natives, Lorraine worked at Western Electric. Lorraine was an active member at St. Augustine Parish in Lawrence, teaching CCD and helping with bingo and numerous fundraisers.

Lorraine and Bill's many family gatherings would often take place around the poker table. You'll still find Lorraine enjoying her card games with friends and family and counting down to the community's annual signature Casino Night Fundraiser!

## WE ARE...

### OLD FRIENDS

One very special friendship that we are all witness to that of Lorraine and fellow Methuen Village resident Jeannette. Friends since they were ages five and six, Lorraine and Jeannette remained close throughout their adult years, even raising their families on the same street! When it came time to move to a senior community, they did not have to sacrifice their close friendship, but instead moved in down the hall from each other. Since Moving to Methuen Village, they spend time doing the things they love, including playing cards of course!



# LORRAINE SAWYER

## The Card Shark

**“To be able to spend my senior years with my childhood best friend is simply amazing.”**



Get to know us, and take a tour  
so we can get to know YOU.



## INTERESTED IN GIVING METHUEN VILLAGE A TRY?

We offer short-term stays with NO MINIMUM!

This option is popular among seniors and families:

- For extra support after a hospital or rehab stay
- When family is away on business or vacation
- To test the experience of a new home

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