

Vittoria Leone dress in black marches

through the street at a formal procession

Date

1969-1979

Medium

gelatin silver print

Description

Vittoria Leone was married to Giovanni Leone, and became Italy's first lady during her husbands time of Governance. Giovanni Leone was an Italian politician. He was the 37th Prime Minister of Italy. As prime minister, a law was passed in November 1968 that introduced a special benefit for full unemployment. is political career came to an end in 1977 with his resignation as President of the Italian Republic. This was due to allegations made in the USA over Lockheed bribing a number of high-profile politicians in Italy to purchase Hercules Aircraft for the military. Leone and his family were allegedly implicated in the bribery, but the accusations were never proved.

Dimensions

Overall: 30.4 x 21.2 cm (12 x 8 3/8 in.)