



Maria (Emmi) Giamartino

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Maria (Emmi) Giamartino, 78, of Manlius, NY, passed away May 29, 2023 after a seven and a half year battle with pancreatic cancer surrounded by her loving family. She was born in Linguaglossa Sicily, daughter of the late Paolo and Maria Concetta (Ragusa) Emmi.

In addition to her parents, she was also predeceased by her sister, Antonina “Nina” LaRosa.

Maria moved to the United States from her tiny town at the base of Mt. Etna with her family at the age of eleven. Despite the challenges she faced as an immigrant, Maria was a woman of great strength and determination. She worked tirelessly, attending school, baking bread, cooking meals and helping to provide for her family in their new home. After high school she attended beauty school and started a career as a highly sought after beautician. Ultimately, it was her friendship with one of her clients that led to an introduction to John, the love of her life.

Everyone that knew Maria knew that she was an incredible cook. She loved nothing more than sharing her beautifully prepared meals with her loved ones, friends, neighbors, caddies or anyone else her family brought to her home. All were welcome to her table.

Maria never lost touch with her roots. She was proud of her Sicilian heritage and she instilled a love of her culture in her children and grandchildren. She was proud to have the ability to take her family back to see her homeland. She made sure to visit often and despite the distance between them, she never lost touch with her family that remained in Italy.

Maria was an avid golfer. She spent countless hours playing golf, not only at her club courses in Syracuse and Jupiter, Florida; she had the good fortune to play top courses around the world, including Augusta National. She passed this love of golf down to her grandchildren and started taking them out to play when they were very young. While Maria truly loved the sport and the competition that came with it, she loved the time it provided her to spend with John, her grandchildren and with so many of her cherished girlfriends.



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Maria is survived by her beloved husband of 56 years, John Giamartino; three children, John Paolo (Heather) Giamartino, Maria Francesca “Mia” (James) Stanton and David Anthony (Catherine) Giamartino; seven grandchildren, Emmi Gioia, Gianpaolo, James John, Michael Angelo, Maricatherine Concetta, Maria Emmanuella and Anna Claire; two sisters, Angela (Mario) LaRosa and Carmela (George) Brocco, along with several nieces, nephews and cousins.

A Funeral Mass in celebration of Maria’s life will be held at 10:00 am on Monday, June 5, 2023 at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter Church, 301 Ash St., Syracuse, NY. Private entombment will be in Woodlawn Cemetery Mausoleum. Family and friends may call from 2:00 – 6:00 pm on Sunday, June 4, 2023 at the THOMAS J. PIRRO JR. FUNERAL HOME, 3401 Vickery Rd. (corner of Buckley Rd.) North Syracuse, NY.

In lieu of flowers, gifts in memory of Maria may be directed to support the research of Dr. Jin He at the Johns Hopkins Department of Surgery. Please make checks payable to Johns Hopkins University. Gifts may be mailed with a memo indicating that this gift is in memory of Maria Giamartino to the Fund for Johns Hopkins Medicine, 550 North Broadway, Suite 722, Baltimore, MD 21205 or made online at <https://secure.jhu.edu/form/jinhe>



Events


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Visitation

 **Sunday**, June 4, 2023


 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM ET


 **Thomas J. Pirro Jr. Funeral Home**
3401 Vickery Rd, Syracuse NY 13212

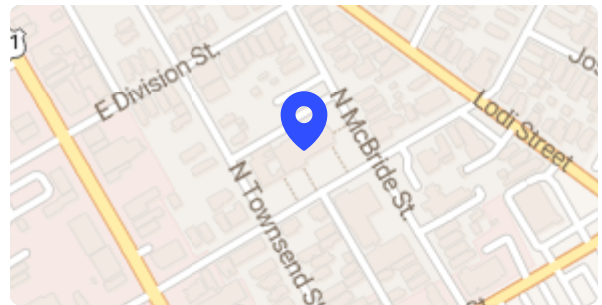


Funeral Mass


 **Monday**, June 5, 2023

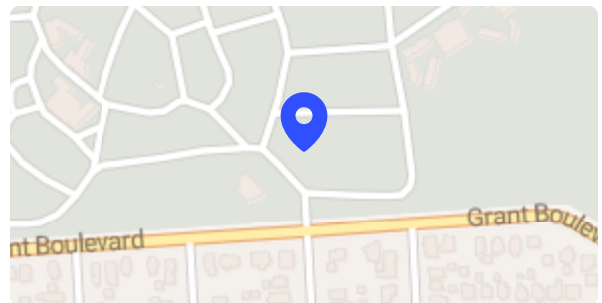
 10:00 AM ET

 **Our Lady of Pompei - St. Peter Church**
301 Ash St., Syracuse NY 13208



Cemetery Details

 **Woodlawn Mausoleum**
800 Grant Blvd, Syracuse NY 13203





Tribute Wall

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Thomas J. Pirro Jr. Funeral Home shared a **Tribute Video**.



June 2 at 1:55 PM



Michelle Giamartino-Smith posted:

I am very sorry for your loss. Sending love and light your way. Love, Michelle Giamartino-Smith

June 10 at 7:30 AM



Joey Ballway-Guynn posted:

John and family, I just saw the news of Maria and I'm so very sorry for your loss. May you all find comfort in your memories. Joey Ballway-Guynn

June 8 at 7:29 PM



Bob And Lisa posted:

Dear John. Bob and I are thinking of you and your family. The loss is so great. Maria is a wonderful lady and we cherish time we spent with you both. Much love and best wishes. Lisa

June 7 at 7:21 AM



Anonymous sent a Peaceful White Lilies Basket to the Giamartino family.



June 5 at 12:19 PM



Annette George posted:

Dear John, Please know I am truly sorry to learn of the passing of your beautiful wife, Maria. Sincere condolences to you and your family. Annette DiBello George Venice, FL

June 5 at 7:01 AM



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Joseph Giancola Jr posted:

MY SINCERE CONDOLENCES FOR YOUR LOSS.

June 5 at 6:53 AM



Flo Kirsch posted:

My condolences to all of Maria's family. I knew Maria from being her bowling substitute. She was a wonderful lady, always smiling and fun. I will remember her always - with love.

June 4 at 6:03 AM



George And Lynn Bovenizer lit a candle in honor of Maria.

Maria, George and I will miss you forever-your beautiful smile-your loyalty and love to our friendship and always being there for us. We send our prayers and love to your wonderful family at this very incredibly sad time. Friends forever.
Lynn and George



June 3 at 4:34 PM



Anonymous sent a Gracious Lavender Basket to the Giamartino family.



June 3 at 11:03 AM



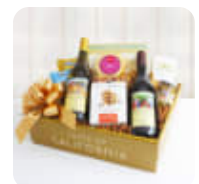
Robert posted:

Every day at Lox was great, but the ones where I was blessed with Mrs. G in the group were truly the most special. Heaven must have needed another Angel so God called for one of His best ones. Prayers to the whole family. Robert P.A "well fed" caddie

June 3 at 10:59 AM



Anonymous sent a Best of California Wine Gift Basket to the Giamartino family.



June 3 at 10:19 AM



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Anonymous sent a Pink Potpourri Bouquet to the Giamartino family.



June 3 at 10:14 AM



Anonymous planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Maria.



June 3 at 10:14 AM



Anonymous sent a Full Of Love Bouquet to the Giamartino family.



June 2 at 5:23 PM



Anonymous sent a Sentiments of Serenity Spray to the Giamartino family.



June 2 at 4:21 PM



Anonymous sent an Arrive in Style to the Giamartino family.



June 2 at 2:47 PM



Anonymous planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Maria.



June 2 at 2:47 PM



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June 2 at 10:53 AM



Anonymous sent a Peaceful White Lilies Basket to the Giamartino family.

June 2 at 7:14 AM



Anonymous sent a Full Of Love Bouquet to the Giamartino family.

June 1 at 5:50 PM



Anonymous sent a Loving Lilies and Roses Bouquet to the Giamartino family.

June 1 at 5:31 PM



Love Marie Yanosik sent a Peaceful White Lilies Basket to the Giamartino family.

June 1 at 4:50 PM



Marietta Blasi lit a candle in honor of Maria.

John, my thoughts, prayers and remembrances are with you and your family. May Maria be now in heaven and at peace. Marietta (Falvo) Blasi Jacksonville, FL

June 1 at 2:58 PM





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AV

Anthony Vecchio posted:

My deepest condolences to John and all of Marias family, I met maria while on holidays back in 1990. She was a beautiful lady and treated me and my cousin like family. Thinking of you all .Anthony vecchio.Son of Carmelo and maria vecchio(Ragusa) (originally from linguaglossa) Sicily.Now living inGriffith Australia

June 1 at 2:05 PM



Anonymous sent a Peaceful White Lilies Basket to the Giamartino family.



June 1 at 11:56 AM

SL

Susie & Barney Laporte posted:

Although we hadn't known Maria long, it was apparent right away that she was special! So loving and including everyone in her circle of friends! She and John were such a beautiful couple together and Maria taught us all how to live life to the fullest no matter the hardships. She will be missed by all who knew and loved her!

June 1 at 11:38 AM

LF

Love, The Leone And Corbett Families sent an Enchanted Cottage to the Giamartino family.



June 1 at 10:53 AM

SK

Suzanne Kondra lit a candle in honor of Maria.



June 1 at 8:37 AM



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PN

Patricia Nappi posted:

To her husband and beautiful family May she rest in peace and god speed her to Heaven Losing your mom is the hardest thing in life to go threw your mom is your mom forever she will be on your side in mind and heart forever so very sorry god bless to you all ,from Patricia and Thomas and Thomas Jr The Nappi /Dery family 🙏🙏🙏🙏🙏

June 1 at 7:09 AM

PR

Phil Ruffini posted:

Our Deepest Condolences to Mr. Giamartino, John Paolo and the entire family on the loss of your wonderful wife and Mom. I only remember meeting her on a few occasions, but the last time at the pizza shop in Manlius I couldn't miss the warm and wonderful smile she had, the smile of someone who truly enjoyed life. It is never easy to say "Good-bye", but as I did when I lost my Mom at the same age and knowing her deep faith in God I just gave her one last kiss and told her I'd be with her again soon, and she smiled...not unlike that beautiful smile in the lovely picture. You will all see her again, make her even prouder of you than she was proud of you in this life...it won't be hard. May God Bless her Soul and May she R.I.P.

June 1 at 6:28 AM



Anonymous sent a Peaceful White Lilies Basket to the Giamartino family.



June 1 at 5:29 AM

JH

Josey Henjes posted:

Where do you begin when you have shared a lifetime of experiences with a much loved friend. My friend Maria was everything in a friend you could ever want. Steadfast, loyal, giving and funny. A beautiful woman inside and out. So loving and generous , thoughtful and sincere in her actions as she went about her life. You knew without a doubt the greatest love and joy in her life were her husband, and her family. They were her heart and soul. Yes, there will be tremendous loss for all of us but there will also be wonderful memories and moments in time that we will recall what it was like to share our life's with such a beautiful spirit . She is with the angels now. Rest in peace my beautiful Maria. Until I see you again I will surely miss you dearly for the rest of my life. ❤️😭🙏

June 1 at 3:49 AM



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JW

Joanne Crisella Wilson posted:

Maria, beautiful human being inside and out. Devoted to her husband and children. My condolences to her family, she was an excellent role model in every way. She never lost who she was or where she came from. The world just lost one of the most "real" people in this turbulent world and I have been honored to know her. Rest in peace my friend...Joanne Crisella Wilson

May 31 at 2:01 PM


VI

Victor G Ianno June 2 at 5:44 PM

John, Sending you a big Hug of respect and support as you go through this difficult time. I know the pain you're feeling. Your family will surround you with their love and concern as mine have me. Maria taught them that by her example. That's what has kept me alive and living after our loss. We share all of the wonderful memories of the love we lost. That's my prayer and wish for you and your family. Cherish and enjoy her memory with the wonderful family you both raised. A friend of mine said to me at the time of my loss, "Be sad that you've lost her, but be grateful you had her as your wife" Hers was a life well lived with 'class' May she rest in peace! Victor Ianno

PM

Peggy Garvey -Miner June 1 at 2:56 AM

RIP Maria, you were an incredible wife & mother & grandma. Cherished by all. You will certainly be missed. Sadness is unavoidable. Anyone that met you appreciated your kindness & big heart. You did an excellent job, & now you can rest in God's arms in peace. Peggy Garvey -Miner 



Media

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Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Maria by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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