



Mary Ann (Stagnitta) Morina

March 4, 1927 - September 2, 2021

It is with deep sadness and broken hearts that we announce the passing of our beloved mother, grandmother, and great grandmother Mary Ann (Stagnitta) Morina, 94. Mary was a lifelong resident of Syracuse, NY and a 1945 graduate of North High School. She was a loving homemaker who raised 8 children and 1 niece. Mary worked at Easy Washer before marrying Nick “The Barber” Morina and later, after raising her children to young adulthood, worked at the Onondaga County HEAP Department. Mary enjoyed playing golf and was one of the ‘First Members of Pompey Hills Country Club’. Mary’s life passion and greatest enjoyment was spending time with her children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren who she loved relentlessly, with a calm lighthearted spirit and soft encouragement. Mary would travel all over the country to share any special event that her children and grandchildren were involved in and spent many beach vacations with her large family ‘holding up the fort’ in the beach house. Love of her family extended to sewing, cooking, and baking for her large crew. She was a parishioner and member of the early Bowling League and the Altar and Rosary Society of Blessed Sacrament Church for many years, and together with her loving husband Nick sent their 8 children to Blessed Sacrament School. In her later years Mary enjoyed spending time with her friends at the Magnerilli Community Center of McChesney Park.

She was predeceased by her husband of 68 years, Nicholas Morina in 2015; an infant daughter Mary; her parents, Egidia (Vecchio) and Francesco Stagnitta; mother and father-in-law, Nicolina and Antonio Morina; brother, Joseph Stagnitta; sister, Josephine Filipkowski; brother and sister-in-law, Alexander and Barbara Stagnitta; son-in-law, Edward Richards; sister-in-law and brother-in-law, Mary and Peter Colosi; sister-in-law and brother-in-law, Sarah and Victor Villani and numerous aunts, uncles and cousins.

Mary is survived by her children, Nicolina (Nicki) Richards of Concord, MA, Gilda and Stuart Syverson of Charlotte, NC, Anthony and Sally Morina of Santa Monica, CA, Francine and Jim Levato of Stamford, CT, Teresa and James DeWitt of Syracuse, Gerard and Lisa Morina of Perkasio, PA, Jo Anne and Tim Doran of Camden, ME, Bridget and Mike Meyer of Doylestown, PA and niece, Ann Marie (Filipkowski) Trinca of Syracuse;

grandchildren, Andrea (Dan) Smith, Nicholas DeWitt, Melissa (Jeremy) McNeill-Philips, Joseph (Courtney) DiGioia, Monica (Michael) Sirianni, Thomas (Aryn) Richards, Alexandra (Dan Corsello) DiGioia, Luke DeWitt, Kara DeWitt, Adam Morina, Ian Doran, Benjamin Morina, Erin Doran, Olivia Meyer, August Meyer, Nicholas Doran, Emily Morina and Jacob Levato; great grandchildren, Gianna DeWitt, Noemi Smith, Ty Smith, Phonte McNeill-Phillips, and River James Sirianni; nephews and niece, Anthony Trinca, Danielle (Jeff Miller) Trinca, and Michael Trinca; Great-Niece, Lauren Trinca and Great-Nephew, Aidan Trinca; along with many nieces, nephews, cousins, neighbors and friends.

The family would like to extend a special thank you to Mom's dear friend, helper, and confidant, Cindy Whitcomb and to Maria Clemente, Mom's hairdresser, for her loving touch in styling Mom's hair for our regular Friday night Zoom calls.

A funeral mass in celebration of Mary's life will be held at 10:30 am on Tuesday, September 7, 2021, at Blessed Sacrament Church, 3129 James St., Syracuse, NY. Per the family's request, masks will be required. To view the mass remotely, please visit Mary's tribute page at 10:30 am on Tuesday at tjpfuneralhome.com. She will be laid to rest next to her husband in St. Mary's Cemetery Mausoleum, DeWitt.

Contributions in Mary's name may be made to Joseph's House, (which provide services to mothers in need) at 802 Court Street, Syracuse NY 13208.

Cemetery

St. Mary's Cemetery

4100 E. Genesee St.

DeWitt, NY, 13214

Events

SEP **Mass of Christian Burial** 10:30AM

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Blessed Sacrament Church

3127 James Street, Syracuse, NY, US, 13206

Comments



“ A tribute video has been added.



Thomas J. Pirro Jr. Funeral Home - September 05, 2021 at 07:44 PM



“ There are no words to described this beautiful lady. Her kind sweet personality touch us all. To the Morina family cherish all your memories and keep telling her story for every generation that follows she is a legend of what a good person should be. I will keep your family in my prayers I am so sorry for your loss.

Kathi (Colella)

Kathi - September 08, 2021 at 10:45 AM



“ Gilda, Stuart & Morina Family,

You are all blessed to have had such a loving and beloved Mother. May wonderful memories comfort you now and days to come.

Love, Paul & Joy

Joy Syverson - September 06, 2021 at 08:52 PM



“ Dear Fran,

We are so sorry for your loss!

I wish I could give you a hug right now. My heart goes out to you and your family.

Love,
Carol and Troy

"A mother is with us always. First in her lifetime, then forever in our memory."



Carol Cho - September 06, 2021 at 04:01 PM



“ Mrs. M was the Mom Gold Standard. What a gift that her family and friends had her in their lives over a 94 year span. If heaven has a kitchen she's looking down with her ever present smile and a bottomless pot of sauce ready to serve. Karen Bond Sabo

Karen Bond Sabo - September 06, 2021 at 02:29 PM



“ To the wonderful Morina Family,
We express our most sincere condolences for the loss of your truly special mother. She was a woman who knew herself and her place in this world. She was always calm and content, friendly and sincere, doing everything with great love. Please celebrate her beautiful, long life. May these memories bring you comfort as you mourn her departure from this earthly life. She will always be with you in spirit.
Our prayers and love,
The Marzocchi Family

Gisella Mortelliti - September 06, 2021 at 09:45 AM



“ Our condolences to the Morina family may the peace and comfort of God be with you at this time and the days ahead. Modesto and Cathy Colosi

modesto colosi - September 06, 2021 at 09:22 AM



“ To the Morina family

Liz and I hope you take comfort in the many wonderful memories you all have. Our condolences to you all.

Mike Cartini - September 06, 2021 at 09:06 AM



“ 93 files added to the album LifeTributes



Thomas J. Pirro Jr. Funeral Home - September 05, 2021 at 07:17 PM



“ My deepest sympathy to Tessa an her family,hold onto all the happy memories you shared with your beautiful mother love,Annie Gleason

annie Gleason - September 06, 2021 at 12:02 AM



“ My sincere condolences to the Morina Family. Your Mom was a Beautiful Gem.

Jerry and Carol Lord

Jerry Lord - September 05, 2021 at 11:07 AM



“ My deepest sympathy to the Morina family. I have heard about Mrs. Morina from her beautiful daughter Fran and it sounds like her life was utterly overflowing with love. What a wonderful example she is for us all. With love and sympathy, Megan Bradley

Megan Bradley - September 04, 2021 at 09:07 PM



“ To The wonderful Morina Family,
I was heartbroken to hear of your Mom’s passing. She was my Italian Mother who always made me feel so special whenever I saw her. Growing up across the street from you all was so much fun and your Mom and Dad were so welcoming. Your Mom’s cookies were famous and we couldn’t wait to get a tray of them at Christmas! She was such a sweet, kind, loving, thoughtful and generous woman who will be dearly missed. I will treasure all the precious memories of Her and all of you!
Love and heartfelt sympathies to you all
Rosie Wiesnet Schaefer

rosemary schaefer - September 04, 2021 at 02:32 PM



“ Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Mary Ann (Stagnitta) Morina.



September 04, 2021 at 02:16 PM



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mary Ann (Stagnitta) Morina.



September 04, 2021 at 02:10 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Mary Ann (Stagnitta) Morina.



September 04, 2021 at 01:34 PM



“ With deepest sympathy to the family of this beloved beautiful lady we Wiesnets consider our Italian “mother”. Her gentle loving giving ways have a special place in my heart. Her cooking, especially her Italian cookies always were delicious. Her cookie recipes are treasured. I feel honored to have known her & saying final farewell at her funeral.

Love & prayers, Patty Wiesnet Shaw

Patricia Wiesnet Shaw - September 04, 2021 at 12:41 PM



“ Mrs Morina was hands down the best neighbor anyone could ever have! Mrs Morina always had that “cup of sugar” (in my case ketchup) to lend when needed, she made sure to call when I left the attic light on and always wanted to make sure everyone was OK when a car was home on a work day.

Mrs Morina’s love for her family expanded into our family. Mrs Morina watched my boys grow up and participated in all of our celebrations. Truly part of the village that helped raise our children.

Mrs Morina and I shared a love for baking and cooking. I am so grateful to have had the opportunity to learn how to make an amazing eggplant parm (she literally walked across the driveway and into my kitchen on Christmas Eve at 11pm to help me build my first eggplant dish) and Italian biscotti and cookies that have become some of my families favorites. I will forever cherish the evening we spent making cannoli.

Mrs Morina, while your presence will be dearly missed here on earth, I know you are delighted to be with your Nick and heaven just gained an amazing angel.

Melanie Cifonelli - September 04, 2021 at 10:39 AM



“ My experience with Mrs. Morina spans 67 years, when I met her daughter Gilda in kindergarten at Blessed Sacrament. She is the calmest mother I ever knew and one of the most productive. As an only child myself, I could never understand her calm among eight children to care for. And yet, as those beer boxfuls of freshly made cannolis witnessed at Christmastime, when she had a goal nothing was allowed in the way of reaching it with a smile. After hearing her thoughts over all these years, I told Gilda I wanted to have an hourslong conversation with her mom about her thoughts and life lessons. Then the pandemic hit and never let up before her passing. Not having that conversation with her will remain one of my few regrets in life. To me she was someone who would always be here as she always was while we were growing up and became adults and led our lives. I understand now that she will be with her spirit. I hope I can honor her as I sense that spirit.

Jackye Zimmermann - September 03, 2021 at 09:46 PM



“ Mrs. Morina was a dear sweet lady who will be missed by all with her kind soul. She loved everyone and everyone loved her. I would always call her when I needed one of her famous recipes and she would always share them with joy. When her girls would come home for a visit we would make a lunch trip to Coleman's Irish Pub with Mrs. Morina. It was a fun Time for all. I will miss you dearly. Love, Debbie LeClair.

Deborah Wiesnet LeClair - September 03, 2021 at 07:17 PM