



## Catherine Fiore

September 24, 1926 - June 26, 2022

Catherine Fiore (Catherine Clara Marchese), 95, peacefully passed away on June 26, 2022 in Charlotte, NC surrounded by her family in her last days.

Catherine was preceded in death by her husband of 59 years, Joseph Fiore, who died on June 21, 2012 at the age of 84 and her siblings Marie D'Amato, Nora Sirabella and Lenny Marchese. Catherine will be loved and missed by her two sons, Joseph and Louis, their spouses, Rowela and Effie, and five grandchildren, Sophia, Caterina, Eleni, Joseph and Daniel.

Catherine was born on September 24, 1926 to Italian immigrants, Concetta and Pasquale Marchese in Brooklyn, New York. After high school she worked as a seamstress in Manhattan where she met her husband. They had a long engagement, waiting for her fiancée to return from the Korean War. Her love of music and passion for dancing was infectious. She loved sharing stories of growing up in Brooklyn and seeing all the big bands, Tony Bennett, Frank Sinatra, Ella Fitzgerald, etc. She could name any song and singer from the Great American Songbook.

Once her sons were both school age she went to work as a cashier for the local grocery store and worked till she was 85 years old. Shortly after the passing of her husband she moved to North Carolina to be close to her children and grandchildren. She was known as "the walker" in the retirement communities where she lived, and up until a few years ago was still taking to the streets of Charlotte walking for hours.

Catherine never met a stranger and was a friend to all. She leaves behind her kindness, selflessness and passionate independence. She lived by the biblical principle, "Do to others as you would have them do to you."

At her request, in her final wishes, there will be a private service for family.

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“ I was privileged to know Catherine from her time at Waltonwood, where I work. She was a wonderful, loving person, and always had a smile and a kind word for me. I will miss her. Please accept my prayers and condolences for your loss.

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