



Mary Rapone

July 21, 1931 - January 21, 2019

Mary Rapone, age 87, of Charlotte, NC, died peacefully surrounded by the love of her cherished family on January 21, 2019, at Hospice of Union County. Mary was born on July 24, 1931, in Philadelphia, PA to Fioravanti & Filomena DiDomenic. She graduated from Overbrook High School in 1949 and married her beloved husband, Pat, in 1955.

Together Mary and Pat raised three children, Dorothy, Patricia and Thomas. Their family moved from Philadelphia to Pittsburgh, PA to Williamsburg, VA, before finally making their home in Charlotte, NC in 1974. Mary was a loving and devoted mother. She was also employed as a bookkeeper at Belk Services and several medical offices around Charlotte. Mary was a member of St. Gabriel's Catholic Church for 45 years and volunteered on many parish committees.

Mary is survived by her two daughters Dottie (Joe Ryan) of Charlotte and Tish (Mike Farmer) of St. Louis; and son, Tom Rapone (Liz Parnell) of Charlotte. She is also survived by grandchildren, Meg Ryan (Jacob Gambino) of Queens, NY; Joe Ryan (Amber Ryan) of Charlotte; Max Ryan of Seattle, WA; Kylie Ryan of Denver, CO; Samantha Farmer of Williamsburg, VA; Chelsea Farmer of Bedford, NH; Michael Farmer (Sarah Farmer) of Milford, NH; great-grandchildren Joey and Cade Ryan of Charlotte; sisters Clara Salladino (deceased), Dora DeFruscio, and Terri DiDomenic of Philadelphia; brother Pat DiDomenic of Philadelphia; sister-in-law Caroline Rapone and numerous nieces, nephews, cousins, and dear friends. It was clear to everyone who knew her that she deeply loved her family, and was especially proud of her grandchildren and great-grandchildren - who called her Mom-Mom. There was nothing Mary loved more than having the family around the dining room table enjoying one of her delicious Italian dinners. Mary shared her kindness and friendship with all who knew and loved her.

The family of Mary would like to thank Dr. Lawrence Fleishman.

Visitation will be held at St. Gabriel Catholic Church on Friday, January 25, 2019 at 9:00AM. A funeral mass to celebrate her life will immediately follow at 10:00AM, also at St.

Gabriel's. Interment will be at the Forest Lawn East.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

An online guestbook is available at www.heritagecares.com.

Cemetery

Forest Lawn East

3700 Forest Lawn Drive
Matthews, NC, 28104

Events

JAN **Visitation** 09:00AM - 10:00AM

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St Gabriel Catholic Church

3016 Providence Road, Charlotte, NC, US, 28211

JAN **Funeral Mass** 10:00AM

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Comments



“ God has called a special angel. Aunt Mary was the most compassionate and loving person I have ever met. She opened her home to everyone. I feel very blessed to have had Mary in my life. Rest in peace. And thank you for sharing your life with me.

Lucille M Salladino - January 23 at 08:43 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Mary Rapone.



January 23 at 06:53 PM



“ Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of Mary Rapone.



January 23 at 11:45 AM



“ The Dairy MAX Board of Directors and Team purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Mary Rapone.



The Dairy MAX Board of Directors and Team - January 23 at 11:30 AM



“ A great lady, the very essence of compassion and joy.



George Rapone - January 23 at 09:05 AM



“ Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Mary Rapone.



January 23 at 09:01 AM



“ What can I say about one of the kindest most loving person I ever met. She never met a person she didn't like and always made you feel welcome and happy to see you. She will be missed by everyone and I know now she is in heaven with Pat and they are looking down on everyone.

Ron & Juliet Carter

juliet carter - January 23 at 06:17 AM



“ Mary and Pat Rapone were the best First Cousins a young girl could have. Their warmth, love and smiles were always cherished. They hosted our first Cousins gathering many, many years ago in Blackwood, NJ. What a great event is was for all of us. Rest In Peace Mary and thank you for being so special.

Margie Rapone Murphy - January 23 at 08:58 AM



“ Mary was such a special lady. She was always so happy when family was around to visit. I remember when she and Pat ived in Chadds Ford for a brief period I went to visit them and oh they just made me feel so special and were so happy that I went out of my way to visit. Of course Mary made a great lunch and we talked about the old days and all our family reunions in NJ at their home. Memories I will never forget. Now you are with the love of your life. Please tell my dad I send my love to. You, Pat and all his cousins were a very special to him and mom. You will be so missed by so many. Rest in Peace sweet Mary. Another angel in heaven and star in the sky.

Patti Panichelli Conner - January 24 at 12:14 AM



“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Nancy Rapone Martin - January 22 at 08:57 PM



“ One of my favorite photos of Uncle Patty and Aunt Mary

Nancy Rapone Martin - January 22 at 08:58 PM



“ What a wonderful lady! We have been so lucky to have been in her family! She always took care of us with bags of puzzlers and great love. Hope she's celebrating with Pat right now!

Tricia (Ryan) and Roy Lewis

Tricia Lewis - January 23 at 07:42 AM



“ Our deepest sympathy to you all. She was a wonderful lady. So happy to have her in our life. Love Marshall and Kathy

Kathy Miller - January 26 at 08:03 AM