



Mary Catherine Mazzola

May 6, 1933 - December 20, 2023

Mary Catherine Mazzola (nee Ocello) passed away at Spring Hills Assisted Living Facility in Franklin Township on December 20th at the age of 90. Born and raised in Hoboken, she was the youngest of eight children. She was a 1951 graduate of A. J. Demarest High School, the only member of her family to do so. After graduation she went to work at the Hanover Bank in New York.

She married Onofrio Mazzola in 1955 and they moved to Carteret a few years later to raise their family. Early on she was a full-time homemaker and mother to her four sons. She was an active and involved parent often volunteering in support of her children's various activities. From school, to scouts, to music, to athletics, she was an ever-present participant in their growing years. As her children grew, she returned to work at the Carteret Bank and Trust Company, then SGS Marine Services.

With her husband she had an active social life. Excellent dancers, they attended many functions where they could get out and enjoy themselves on the dance floor. There were many family gatherings for the holidays and special events. Along with vacations with their children, they would also travel with family and friends to destinations such as Italy, Las Vegas, the Poconos, the Bahamas, and on cruises. They also spent many years in various bowling leagues. Often getting together with neighbors and friends she enjoyed pinochle, mahjong, and just spending time sharing a cup of coffee and

conversation. She was an avid reader and would go through dozens of books each year, particularly romance novels and crime dramas.

Upon retirement they moved to the Ponds Adult Community in Monroe Township. After the passing of her husband, she became an active single senior at the Ponds joining the Red Hat Society, the Italian American Club, the Singles Club, and others. She was a Eucharistic Minister at The Nativity of Our Lord Roman Catholic Church in Monroe. Fiercely independent, she lived alone into her late 80's before finally moving into Spring Hills two years ago.

She was predeceased by her husband Onofrio, her parents Carmelo and Carmella Ocello, her brothers Michael, Anthony, and Joseph, and her sisters Frances, Tindara, Anna, and Jay. She is survived by her sons Anthony and his wife Marilyn of Franklin Township, Robert and his husband Barry of Florida, James and his wife Suzanne of Delaware, and Joseph and his wife Debbie of North Carolina. Also surviving are her grandchildren Jonathan, Samantha, Michael, Anna, Carmella, and Angela, her great grandchildren Parker and Eli, and many loving nieces, nephews, and their children and grandchildren.

Funeral Services will be at Ketusky Funeral Home, 1310 Brooks Blvd, Manville NJ 08835. Viewing will be from 4pm - 8pm on Thursday Dec 28th. The Funeral Mass will be on Friday, Dec 29th at 10am at St Joseph's Church, 34 Yorktown Rd, Hillsborough NJ, 08844. Entombment will follow at 12:15 pm at Holy Cross Mausoleum, 340 Ridge Rd, North Arlington NJ 07031. A repast will follow at Roma Restaurant, 33 Chrystal St, North Arlington.

In lieu of flowers please consider a donation to the American Lung Association.

Cemetery Details

Holy Cross Cemetery

340 Ridge Road
North Arlington, NJ

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 28. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Ketusky Funeral Home
1310 Brooks Blvd - PO Box 747
Manville, NJ 08835
(908) 575-8512
info@ketusky.com
<https://www.ketusky.com>

Mass

DEC 29. 10:00 AM (ET)

St Joseph Church & Parish Center
34 Yorktown Rd
Hillsborough Township, NJ 08844
(908) 874-3141

Tribute Wall



“ *Jim, I am extremely sorry for your loss. God Bless you and your family.* 🙏

Catherine Vincent - December 31, 2023 at 06:23 PM



“ *The Gorton's & Shedlocks purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Mary Catherine Mazzola.*



The Gorton's & Shedlocks - December 25, 2023 at 04:54 PM



“ *The Gorton's & Shedlocks planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mary Catherine Mazzola.*

The Gorton's & Shedlocks - December 25, 2023 at 04:54 PM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Mary Catherine Mazzola.*



December 25, 2023 at 06:44 AM

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“ Judd Chapman and Phil Quattrone planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mary Catherine Mazzola.

Judd Chapman and Phil Quattrone - December 25, 2023 at 06:44 AM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mary Catherine Mazzola.



December 24, 2023 at 12:23 PM



“ I met and got to know Mrs Mazzola while in high school. She was a lovely lady and always had kind words. Raising 4 boys into adulthood is not an easy job but she made it look easy. I know she will be very missed. Love, Hugs and Prayers to all the family

Dawn Boyton Robson - December 24, 2023 at 12:05 PM