



Alvera (Pamadora) Capuana

May 9, 1921 - March 12, 2006

Mrs. Alvera R. (Pamadora) Capuana, age 84, of Utica, passed away unexpectedly on Sunday, March 12, 2006 at the St. Elizabeth Medical Center with her loving family by her side.

Born in Utica on May 9, 1921, Alvera was the daughter of the late Salvatore and Maria (Marchese) Pamadora. She attended St. Mary of Mt. Carmel Grade School and received her secondary education locally. On May 10, 1952 she married Joseph A. Capuana in St. Mary of Mt. Carmel Church. Alvera and Joseph were not only a deeply devoted wife and husband, but they were also dedicated and loving parents because they were so compatible in their commitments. They shared a union of 52 years prior to his passing on October 24, 2004.

Alvera's family was the focus of her unconditional love, and her generous self-sacrifice. Securing a comfortable home was her foremost priority. Her children will miss her presence in their lives, although she will always live within their hearts and memories. Her great determination, and the ability to balance the various aspects of her life allowed her to also be employed by several area firms including the General Electric Co., Utica College, and Mohawk Valley Community College.

Alvera was never happier than when her loved ones were gathered together where she could prepare meals and special dishes for the delight of all. A communicant of St. Mary of Mt. Carmel Church, Mrs. Capuana was a deeply spiritual woman who faithfully and devoutly prayed the rosary for the

intentions of those she loved. She was a frequent visitor to various shrines and holy sites, and she often participated in religious retreats and church festivals, such as the one honoring St. Rosalia. She was one who appreciated music, and thoroughly enjoyed listening to the sounds of the Red Band. Mrs. Capuana is survived by 3 sons and a daughter-in-law, Joseph S. Capuana of Buffalo, Salvatore T. and Karin Capuana, and Thomas C. Capuana and his fiancée, Jackie Castronovo, all of Utica; her cherished grandchild, Nicole D. Capuana of Utica; and her step-grandchildren, Jason, Ronald, and Gary Julian. She is also survived by a sister, Christine Gigliotti of Utica; a number of nieces and nephews, with special mention of Vera Gigliotti, Mary Rose Touro, Carol Battle, and Karen Carzo; her great-nieces and great-nephews, especially remembering Jenna and Mia Touro; her cousins, including Sam Ottavio; and her in-laws, Helen Jiampetro of Yorkville, Thelma Capuana of Utica, and Nancy Pamadora of Saratoga Springs. In addition, Alvera was blessed with many wonderful friends, especially acknowledging her dear friend, Madeline Frye. She was predeceased by 2 brothers, Sam Pamadora and Charles Pamadora; a sister and brother-in-law, Josephine and Joseph A. Ciruzzi; her in-laws, Alfred "Fritz" Capuana, Rose and Joseph Maurizio, Orazio and Bernadette J. Capuana, Dominick Jiampetro, and John Gigliotti; a niece, Filomena "Mena" Carzo; and a nephew, Thomas A. Capuana.

The family extends its sincere appreciation to Dr. Fred Talerico, to Nurse Practitioner Pat Rosati, to Dr. Patil, to the ER physicians and staff, and the ICU at the St. Elizabeth Medical Center, and to the UFD rescue team, all of whom provided compassionate assistance, care, and comfort.

In keeping with Alvera's wishes, there will be no public visitation. (Alvera's family members are asked to gather at the Eannace Funeral Home, Inc., 932 South St., corner of Hammond Ave. on Thursday morning at 9:00.) Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend Alvera's Mass of Christian Burial and a celebration of her life, which will commence on Thursday morning at 11:30 at St. Mary of Mt. Carmel Church. The family will receive visitors at the

conclusion of the service. Please omit floral offerings. For those wishing to do so, please consider memorial donations in Mrs. Capuana's name to the Nicole Capuana Foundation, an organization dedicated to the location and recovery of missing children; envelopes will be available at the church. Interment will take place in Calvary Cemetery at the convenience of the family.

Tribute Wall



“ *Grandma Vera was my own personnel angel. I know you will always watch over me. I love you*##imported-begin##*Gary Julian*##imported-end##

March 24, 2006 at 08:44 PM



“ *My prays are with you and your family. Please call me Joe whenever you feel like talking.*##imported-begin##*Alonzo Von Threet*##imported-end##

March 22, 2006 at 01:08 PM



“ *My heartfelt sympathy to you and your family*##imported-begin##*Nicholas Flores*##imported-end##

March 21, 2006 at 10:03 AM



“ *For my friend Joseph, your brothers and family,*

I send my deepest sympathy and love for you during this time of loss.

There is no replacement for any of us - Life is so precious - Keep the memories and your faith close.

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March 20, 2006 at 07:48 PM



“ *Tom and Sal,*

I am very sorry for your loss. My family and I are in Florida until the 17th. If there is anything I can do for you don't hesitate to cal me at 315-794-5681. Again my deepest condolences.

Sincerely,

Joe, Maria,Joey and Anthony##imported-begin##Joseph and Maria Ruggiero##imported-end##

March 15, 2006 at 11:40 AM