



Mrs. Ann P. (Scalzo) Coriale

September 11, 1949 - August 30, 2025

UTICA – Mrs. Ann P. (Scalzo) Coriale, age 75, passed away peacefully in her home on Saturday, August 30, 2025, encircled by the love of those closest to her.

Born in Utica on September 11, 1949, Ann was the daughter of the late Anthony and Christine (Plescica) Scalzo. She was a graduate of T.R. Proctor High School/Class of 1967. She earned a bachelor's degree in English literature from Utica College of Syracuse University and subsequently completed graduate work in education.

On June 7, 1969 Ann was joined in matrimony with Benjamin Coriale. Through their 56 years of marriage they remained by each other's side, in sickness and in health, just as they vowed to do so many years ago.

Ann's empathy, intelligence, and love for children made her a natural teacher. She began her 35-year teaching career at St. Francis DeSales School and moved to Mt. Carmel School before landing the most difficult and rewarding job she would ever have: serving the public as an English teacher in the Utica City School District. Ann taught at almost every school in the district and was a beloved member of the English department at every one. She taught alongside her mother Christine, with whom she shared a classroom and a love of Shakespeare that stayed with her until the end of her life. She worked

year round, day and night, for most of her career: she taught summer school, tutored homebound students in the evening, and even taught night school for a time. Ann loved all of her students and had a special place in her heart for underprivileged children. She believed in their potential and nurtured their ability to learn and find meaning in literature. No matter the difficulty of the material, she made sure that every student in the room understood the lesson and found something relatable in the literature they read. By the time Ann retired in 2005 she had taught thousands of students who will carry on her legacy in ways both large and small.

In her retirement Ann found a calling perfectly suited to her heart and craft — as the Obituary Composer for the Eannace Funeral Home, Inc. With a steadfast devotion to every word and an unwavering eye for grammar and punctuation, she believed that every life deserved a story told with dignity and grace. Each obituary she wrote was more than an announcement; it was a final gift, lovingly composed to capture the essence of a life well lived.

Ann was both a gentle soul and forceful will, a rare combination that made her unforgettable and impossible to refuse. When she wanted to do something she did it regardless of obstacle — whether it was building a stone hearth by hand or sending her children to college or simply bringing beauty into people's lives. She appreciated the beauty in all things — birds, rocks, crystals, wildflowers — and she loved to transform the most ordinary objects into colorful reminders of the natural world. She loved literature, poetry, and music and her wide-ranging tastes included everything from Wordsworth to Led Zeppelin. But most important to Ann was her family; she loved them more deeply and more fiercely than anything in the world. She always put their needs before her own and lived a simple life so those she loved could have more than she did. She was animated by an unparalleled spirit of generosity and would truly give her last penny to help somebody in need. For as much as she loved beauty, she never found the need to buy it — she created it instead

and discovered it in the world around her for free. And she found it most often in people. She was curious about their stories and appreciated the differences that make everyone unique and special. Most importantly, she believed in the goodness of people and had a profound faith in humanity that will live on in her children and everyone who knew her.

Ann is survived by her husband, Benny; her children and their spouses, Dr. Michael and Mariangela Coriale, and Drs. Danielle Coriale and Ross Barrett; her beloved grandchildren, Victor Coriale, Nicholas Coriale, and Michael Coriale Jr.; and William Barrett; her siblings and their spouses, Dr. Anthony and Josephine Scalzo, and Gina and Chris Contento; in-laws, Carm and Joe Artessa, and Barbara Coriale; her nieces and their spouses, Christina Contento Goo and Andrew Goo; and Gina and Bill Bienkowski; her nephews and their spouses, Drs. David and Cathy Scalzo; Dr. Nicholas Contento; Anthony and Diana Coriale, and David and Lisa Coriale; Joseph and Sarah Artessa, and Mark Artessa; and many cousins, great-nieces, great-nephews, relatives, and cherished friends, especially Dolores Dorozynski. Ann was preceded by her father-in-law and mother-in-law, Benjamin Jr. and Mary Coriale; her sister-in-law, Darlene (Coriale) Morgan; and her brother-in-law, Anthony Coriale.

The family wishes to extend their gratitude to Ann's medical team at Mass General including Dr. Aron Rosenstock, Dr. Eric Nou, Dr. Torunn Yock, and Julia Kenney, and to Dr. Alicia DeTraglia, Dr. Daniel Goodman, and Stacey Jaskolka, who managed her care in Utica. They are also grateful to Christine and Liza for the gentle and compassionate care they provided at the end of Ann's life.

Visitation will be held on Thursday, September 4, 2025 from 4:00-6:00 p.m. at the Eannace Funeral Home, Inc., 932 South St., corner of Hammond Ave. For

those wishing to do so, please consider memorial donations in Ann's honor to the American Cancer Society online at www.cancer.org/donate; envelopes will also be available at the funeral home. You could also honor Ann's legacy by performing a kind deed. Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend Ann's Mass of Christian Burial and Celebration of Life, which will commence on Friday, September 5, 2025 at 12:00 p.m. at St. Mary of Mt. Carmel/Blessed Sacrament Parish, 648 Jay St. Interment will take place in Calvary Cemetery at the convenience of the family.

This obituary was composed by Ann's daughter, Danielle.

Cemetery Details

Calvary Cemetery

2407 Oneida Street
Utica, NY 13501
(315) 735-2727

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 4. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Eannace Funeral Home, Inc.
932 South Street
corner of Hammond Ave.
Utica, NY 13501
(315) 724-6714
eannacefh@roadrunner.com

Funeral Service

SEP 5. 12:00 PM (ET)

St. Mary of Mt. Carmel/Blessed Sacrament Parish
648 Jay Street
Utica, NY 13501
(315) 735-1482
<https://www.mountcarmelblessedsacrament.com/>

Tribute Wall

DT

“ *Benny very sorry about the passing of your wife . She will be truly missed. May she RIP. David & Joanne Taurisano*

David Taurisano - September 28, 2025 at 12:52 PM

MA

“ *My deepest sympathy to the Coriale and Scalzo family. I was lucky enough to have Mrs. Coriale as my English Teacher. She was kind and caring always willing to help when I had trouble understanding something. May she rest in peace.*



Michelle Argen - September 08, 2025 at 12:20 PM

DD

“ *Dolores D. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mrs. Ann P. (Scalzo) Coriale.*

Dolores D. - September 05, 2025 at 06:39 PM

MY

“ *Benny and family, our deepest sympathy for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Mike & Lorraine Yozzo.*

mike yozzo - September 05, 2025 at 08:49 AM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mrs. Ann P. (Scalzo) Coriale.*



September 05, 2025 at 05:16 AM



“ *I was one of her lucky students at Proctor High School to have her as my English Teacher. I also had her mother, Mrs Scalzo as my instructor at Conkling. Both were wonderful teachers that led me down a full path to Medical School to become a Physician. Mrs. Coriale always spent extra time with me if I didn't understand something and always encouraged my potential. Her mom was the same, always full of encouragement and extra love that they had for teaching. Without them, I wouldn't be helping my patients today. It is teachers like this with their joy for teaching and love of their students that allowed me to grow as a person and become the Doctor that I am today. My thought and prayers go out to the family with extra love given in her memory. May God grant you peace in your hearts knowing the wonderful legacy she leaves behind. Love, Janice A. Bedell(Cannucciari), Mr. Robert Bedell, Dr Brandon, Jared, and Laura Bedell. Valedictorian from the Class of 1985.*

Janice A. Bedell, formerly Cannucciari - September 04, 2025 at 11:54 PM



“ *Dr Janice Bedell(Cannucciari) & Family purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Mrs. Ann P. (Scalzo) Coriale.*



Dr Janice Bedell(Cannucciari) & Family - September 04, 2025 at 11:46 PM

DF

“ Dr Janice Bedell(Cannucciari) & Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mrs. Ann P. (Scalzo) Coriale.

Dr Janice Bedell(Cannucciari) & Family - September 04, 2025 at 11:46 PM

NH

“ Nina H. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mrs. Ann P. (Scalzo) Coriale.

Nina H. - September 04, 2025 at 08:51 AM

TE

“ I remember Mrs Coriale as smart, funny, and a very good cook. She was also a good, kind, caring person. Danielle and Michael I'm very sorry for your loss.

Tim Emmert - September 03, 2025 at 06:59 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mrs. Ann P. (Scalzo) Coriale.



September 03, 2025 at 10:30 AM

CA

“ *Cumberland Valley Emergency Associates purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Mrs. Ann P. (Scalzo) Coriale.*



Cumberland Valley Emergency Associates - September 03, 2025 at 09:39 AM



“ *Treasured Lilies Spray was purchased for the family of Mrs. Ann P. (Scalzo) Coriale.*



September 03, 2025 at 06:08 AM

RD

“ *Benny, my heartfelt condolences to you and your family. I mourn with you in your loss, I remember you and your wife were most always inseparable. I convey my sympathy to you all at this time, sadly I will not be able to pay my respects in person to, Anne, You and your family. I shall be with you in spirit ,and ,if and when you have need. Our prayers to you all. I will have a mass said at Mt. Carmel for Anne, may she rest in Peace. With deep respect, always, Rocco*

Rocco DiPierro - September 02, 2025 at 06:46 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Mrs. Ann P. (Scalzo) Coriale.



September 02, 2025 at 07:49 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Mrs. Ann P. (Scalzo) Coriale.

September 02, 2025 at 07:49 AM



“ Praying For The Families Mrs. Corielle & Her Mom Took Up A Lot Of Time With Some Of Us Girls At Conkling School Thank You For Sharing Your Mom & Grandmom with Us.
THE RATPACK CONKLING SCHOOL WE WILL MISS YOU & YOUR MOM MRS. SCALZO MATRIARK



Dolores Workman - September 01, 2025 at 04:43 PM