



Anna Marie (Buccolo) Ward

January 26, 1922 - September 10, 2009

Mrs. Mary (Buccolo) Ward, age 87, formerly of Mohawk St. in New Hartford, passed away on Thursday, September 10, 2009 in Austin, TX where she lived the last few years of her life.

Born Anna Marie Buccolo in Utica, NY to Rosalie and Salvatore Buccolo, she married Johnnie Albert Ward in 1946 and they raised their three children in the Utica area. They met while rigging parachutes in Rome, NY Air Base during World War II and after only 3 dates John returned to marry her at the end of the war. She devoted her life and her love to her beloved Texan husband who preceded her in death in 1988. She so missed him she was never the same after his death. Mary was a driving instructor in Utica for many years and one of the best Sicilian cooks on this side of the Atlantic. People came to learn how to cook from her and her kitchen was the center of her life and the life of her family.

Mary leaves her three children, John Ward and his wife Denise, of Austin, TX and their three children Nathan, Danielle and Max. John was the devoted caregiver during the last years of her life and all of our family is grateful. She leaves her two daughters, Rosalie and her husband John Hyde and their two daughters Meagan and Anna Marie of Houston, TX and her daughter, Monica Ward and her partner Debbie Harris of Lander, WY and their daughter Brook Havard of Indialantic, FL. Mary leaves her sister, Rose Yorks of Daytona Beach, FL. She was preceded in death by her two brothers Joseph Buccolo and Gaetana Buccolo.

Visitation will be held Thursday (today) from 5-7 at the Eannace Funeral Home, Inc., 932 South St., corner of Hammond Ave. For those wishing to do so, memorial contributions in Mary's name may be made to the Alzheimer's Association; envelopes will be available at the funeral home. Mary's funeral service will commence on Friday morning at 9:30 from the funeral home and at 10:30 at St. Anthony & St. Agnes Church where her Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated. Interment will take place in Calvary Cemetery.

Tribute Wall



“ *My dearest Monica and family, I will never forget your beautiful mother. Throughout the years I have told my daughters all about her. The world was blessed by her presence and diminished by her passing. My heart goes out to you. I will always cherish the memories.* *Angela Gigliotti Bange*”

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“ *Ward Family:*

Please allow me to be forward. I am a relative of your family.

My maternal grandmother, Dominica (Mammie) Amari-Forte was related to the Buccalo Family.

Her daughter, Palma Forte-Fragola was my mother.

I knew your mother and father during my youth in Utica. I rememeber them to be wonderful and loving people.

I worked on construction during the late 1960s' with your dad. I recall he was a heavy-equipment mechanic.

Our family would like to convey our deepest sympathy to your family.

Francis N. (and Bonnie L.) Fragola

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“ John & Deni, Rosalie and Monica. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all at this sad time.. Mary was a very special woman and a wonderful friend. Both of your parents will always hold a very special place in our hearts. We will always cherish all the wonderful memories we all made together at 1612. We Love you all...Lisa and Joanie###imported-begin###Joanie and Lisa Velletto###imported-end##

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“ To John, Rosalie, Monica and your families. Your mother was a unique person and I always loved her. Please know that I will keep her and your father in my thoughts and prayers forever.

With love,

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