



Eleanor J. (Pugliese) Scialdone

March 2, 1921 - January 30, 2012

Mrs. Eleanor J. (Pugliese) Scialdone, of Utica, passed away on Monday, January

30, 2012 at the Faxton-St. Luke's Healthcare Center. Although she had lived 90

fulfilling years of life, her passing was unexpected.

Born in Witherbee, NY on March 2, 1921, Eleanor was the daughter of the late John and Virginia (Mazza) Pugliese. The family surname was also known as Ponessa. She was raised and educated in Witherbee. On November 16, 1941 she

married Joseph John Scialdone with whom she shared 41 years until his passing on

May 6, 1983; they shared a great closeness and were a truly happy couple.

For many years, Eleanor worked as an associate at the F.W. Woolworth Store located on Mohawk Street. But it was her work as a wonderful mother which won

her the honor and love of her children, and she fulfilled this precious role with much dedication. She welcomed her daughters-in-law with much love and

respect. As a grandmother she was an outstanding role model; each of her grandchildren looked forward to spending time with her. To those extended family

and friends who were fortunate enough to be embraced by her, she was

affectionately known as "Grandma El." Blessed with a generous spirit, a compassionate heart, and a soft smile upon her face, she was the heart of the family and was happiest when she spent time with them. She was an outstanding

cook with her own itinerary in preparing delicious dishes. Christmas celebrations were often hosted at her home, brimming with festivity and tradition. She kept the past alive, always supportive of the best and most challenging times of life. Her favorite present to receive was bingo lottery tickets which gave her the greatest thrills. Eleanor lived her spirituality daily, and for many years she practiced her faith at St. Agnes Parish.

Eleanor is survived by her sons and daughters-in-law, Anthony Joseph "Tony" and

Anne Marie Scialdone of New Hartford, and Joseph John "Joe", Jr. and Dale Scialdone of Marcy; her grandchildren, Anthony Joseph II and Heather Scialdone,

and Michael J. Scialdone; Joseph John Scialdone III, Christopher K. and Elizabeth Scialdone, and Gregory M. Scialdone; and her great-grandchildren, Dominic and Valentina. She also leaves her sisters, Lena Cifrian, and Jenny Rosselli, both of Witherbee, NY, and Betty Lane of Saratoga Springs; her brother

and sister-in-law, Joseph and Betty Ponessa of Saratoga Springs; many nieces,

nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, cousins, and friend Anna LaNeve and her

family who were special and longtime friends. She was predeceased by 8 siblings

and spouses, and her in-laws.

The family extends sincere appreciation to Dr. William Krause, Eleanor's longtime physician and friend; Dr. Scott Brehaut for his compassionate nature; the nursing personnel of the Aspen and Birch wings at the Presbyterian Home for

CNY for their loving support; and the staff of 3West, especially Kelly Backer, R.N., at the Faxton-St. Luke's Healthcare Center for their expertise.

Eleanor's family has honored and commemorated her life at a private time.

Those wishing to express an act of kindness in lieu of flowers may make a donation to the St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105.

Arrangements have been entrusted to the Eannace Funeral Home, Inc., 932 South
St., corner of Hammond Ave.

Tribute Wall



“ *Eannace Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Eleanor J. (Pugliese) Scialdone*



Eannace Funeral Home, Inc. - January 30, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *Happy Mother's Day Mom!*

*Love,
Anthony*

Anthony Scialdone - May 13, 2012 at 09:44 PM

AM

“ *My condolences to all the family of Eleanor. Eleanor and I worked together at Woolworth's for 25 years. She was a very special person and I loved her dearly. She will be missed and I have many fond memories of her. May God Bless you and my prayers are with you. Love, Agnes Mancuso, Kissimmee, Florida*

Agnes Mancuso - February 11, 2012 at 06:37 PM



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Anthony Scialdone - February 04, 2012 at 10:12 PM



“ *i dont think i have to tell you how much love her she was my other mother..i WAS SO LUCK TO HAVE HER. i WELL MISS are long talks .I COULD trust her with anything .SHE would neave put me down .we did so much together . AFTER my Mario she cryed with me held my hand talk with me. thank you mom for being their for me i love you always*

JUDY JELLENCICH - February 02, 2012 at 03:56 AM



“ *Eleanor was a very special lady. Anyone who knew her knows just how special she was. Her birthday was the day before mine and we always had that in common. Besides growing up next door, she also got me my first real job...at Woolworth's on Mohawk St. So we were co-workers too! But more importantly, she was like another mom. Always there with words of advice, that gentle smile. I feel very lucky that both of my children got to know and love Eleanor since her and their grandma, my mom, were best friends for over 65 years! We all enjoyed her presence at my mom's annual Christmas party, and while we missed her terribly this last holiday due to her illness she was there with us in spirit. Good thing there are no cell phones in heaven cause Eleanor and my mom would be chatting away driving the angels crazy with busy signals :-)* we love you Eleanor and will miss your smiling face.

Love

Jeanine (LaNeve) Surprenant

jeanine surprenant - February 01, 2012 at 08:50 PM



“ *Anthony and Joe, please know that you and your families are in our prayers. Your Mom was a great lady. I will always remember her wonderful smile and kindness. Tom and I will remember her sense of humor and my son always remembers the Christmas she made his favorite cookies just for him. Angela (LaNeve) and Tom Chmielenski*

Angela Chmielenski - February 01, 2012 at 04:09 PM

LL

“ I, along with so many other people who knew Eleanor, know she will be truly missed. She was a beautiful woman with the heart of gold, and a smile to always make someone's day. Although difficult at this sad time, it should be of great strength to you to know that she is truly at peace & you can celebrate the end of a wonderful life. I'll miss her "hello" and hugs she always had for me. Rest in Peace beautiful lady, I will miss you.

Liza ~

Liza LaMay - February 01, 2012 at 09:20 AM



“ I will always have you in my heart and prays, in my eyes I will always think of you as my grand ma. It will be very difacult to go to my moms house and not see you there. No what kind of day you were having evertime I seen you you would put that beutiful smile on your face to greet me or anyone hello. Thank you for always being you . Love You so much you will be missed, Heaven has gained a true angel....

Love Mariano

Mario Jellencich - February 01, 2012 at 08:21 AM

ES

“ Dear Dale and Joe and family. I was sad to hear of Eleanor's passing. She will be missed. My sympathy is with you.

Love, Mom



Elveda Soper - January 31, 2012 at 07:37 PM

DG

“ Dear Dale ,Joe and family. We are so sorry for your loss.Our thoughts and prayers are with you. We will always have good memories of Eleanor. Please let us know if there is anything you need.
John and Donna Gossage.



Donna Gossage - January 31, 2012 at 06:42 PM

HS

“ Knowing Eleanor was a joy.. She was always ready with a smile or a hearty laugh.. She will be missed..

Helen Giovinazzo Shaw - January 31, 2012 at 05:44 PM

DT

“ I am so sorry. I will always remember Eleanor as being so kind. My fondest memories are of sitting in aunt judy's kitchen having breakfast togeher. She was a great lady.

Diana Giovinazzo Tierney - January 31, 2012 at 04:07 PM

LG

“ Eleanor,
My memories of you will always be in my heart. When my mom was in the hospital, you took care of me including your attempt to braid my pig tails. The tails didn't last the morning, you had no experience with only two boys.
And my best memory is my mom yelling down the stairs, he's gone, (my father went to work), let's go! "Oh Flo, I can't get in anymore trouble!" It was like living with Lucy and Ethel. Eleanor was not Lucy!
All my love to you for giving me a great childhood!

Lorraine Giovinazzo - January 31, 2012 at 03:12 PM

PB

“ *Paulette Borruso-DeSimone lit a candle in memory of Eleanor J. (Pugliese) Scialdone*



Paulette Borruso-DeSimone - January 31, 2012 at 02:20 PM

JS

“ *Dear Joe, Dale and family,
Our condolences for Mom's passing. What a beautiful tribute you created in her obituary. You have all been so blessed.
Our love and prayers,
John and Donna Seim*



John Seim - January 31, 2012 at 09:59 AM

CH

Tony, It's been a very long time, but I always remember your mom especially on my daily walk to and from St. Agnes. She always had a nice smile and said hello. Hope you are doing well. Camley Zogby Hitti, Clinton, NY

Camley Zogby Hitti - January 31, 2012 at 10:33 AM

SG

*Our sincere condolences to the Joseph and Dale Scialdone family on the loss of your mother Eleanor. She is at rest now with God.
Your neighbors M./M Stanley Goworek*

Stanley Goworek - February 01, 2012 at 09:22 AM