



## Mrs. Flora A. (Rizzo) Scialdo

October 21, 2022

ORISKANY/UTICA - Mrs. Flora A. (Rizzo) Scialdo, formerly of Oriskany, passed away peacefully on Friday, October 21, 2022. At the time of her passing, she looked to the Lord and closed her eyes, with her loved ones by her side.

Born in Utica, Flora was the daughter of the late Antonio and Clementina (DiSiena) Rizzo. Raised and educated in Utica, she was a graduate of T. R. Proctor High School and attended M.V.C.C. It was on August 17, 1975 that she was wed to Joseph O. Scialdo. Their life together was a true blessing and they embraced the joys of their family. They had an incredible love and were gifted with a wonderful and fulfilled life. Joseph passed away on August 5, 2018.

In 1967 Flora proudly accepted the position of secretary to the principals of Oriskany Central Schools; she had a passion and admiration for her coworkers and was a motherly figure to the kids. Flora retired in 1993. She rejoined the school system in 1995 and worked with students which was so rewarding because of the love, respect, and joy she received from them. Flora will be best remembered for her smile, her genuine ways, her graceful mannerisms and embraces, and her true love for her family and "students." Flora is survived by her devoted daughter and son-in-law, Terese "Terri" and James "Jim" Sojda; her son and daughter-in-law, Michael and Susan Fiore; and her grandchildren who were her world, James "Jimmy" and Ani Sojda, Melissa and Robert McKeon, Jonathan and Jessica Fiore, and Matthew Fiore.

She lived to see her great-grandchildren who were her most precious jewels, Savarrah, and Parker "P.J." Sojda; and twins, Emily, and Patrick McKeon. She is additionally survived by several nieces, nephews, great-nieces, and great-nephews. Flora was blessed with many special relationships, especially with Marie Panetta, and the late Charles and Connie Gaetano. She was predeceased by her sisters and brothers-in-law, Mary and Jack Matteo, Helen and Salvatore Bianco, and Katherine and Patsy Brillante; and her brother and sister-in-law, Tullio and Ruth Rizzo.

Flora's family extends their sincerest gratitude to the incredible staff of the Queen Household at the Masonic Care Community of NY, who were amazing in the care they shared with Flora, which was so comforting to her family. They truly loved her, cared, and watched over her with such compassion. Thanks also to Rev. Arthur Krawczenko and the staff of Sacred Heart and St. Mary's Church, especially Ann Kroll, who always kept Flora in prayer and gently remembered her with such reverence.

Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend Flora's Memorial Mass of Christian Burial and Celebration of Life which will be held on Saturday morning, October 29, 2022 at 11:00 a.m. at Sacred Heart and St. Mary's Church, 201 Main St., New York Mills. There will be an opportunity to greet the family at the conclusion of Mass. In lieu of floral offerings, memorial donations in Flora's honor may be made to Sacred Heart and Saint Mary's Church; envelopes will be available at the service.

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

# Previous Events

## Memorial Mass

OCT **29**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Sacred Heart/St. Mary's Church  
201 Main Street  
New York Mills, NY

# Tribute Wall

CA

“ One of the kindest, most beautiful souls ever to be put on this earth. I feel SO blessed to have known her as a friend, co-worker, and role model. Her kindness was shown to generations of families, welcoming every single one into the Oriskany School district, where everyone was "family." As one of her office, Senior helpers, when she worked in the high school, I knew I was learning from "the best" and she felt like a "Second Mother" to me, always there to listen. Rest easy, Mrs, Scialdo...you will be so missed.

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**Cindy Allen** - October 29, 2022 at 05:42 PM

JF

“ The most kindest amazing lady ever we all love her and my late husband David thought the world of her she was always so supportive of our life together and our children she treated us as family  
You will forever be in our hearts  
My sincere heart goes out to her family

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**julie fortnam** - October 28, 2022 at 09:13 PM

GM

“ Sending my deepest sympathy and sincere condolences for your loss. I feel very fortunate to have known your Mom, she was a wonderful, wonderful person. Gary Miller

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**Gary Miller** - October 28, 2022 at 09:11 PM

DT

“ Donna Teuscher purchased the "Sending You an Angel" Statue to Express Sympathy for Funeral Or Memorial for the family of Mrs. Flora A. (Rizzo) Scialdo.

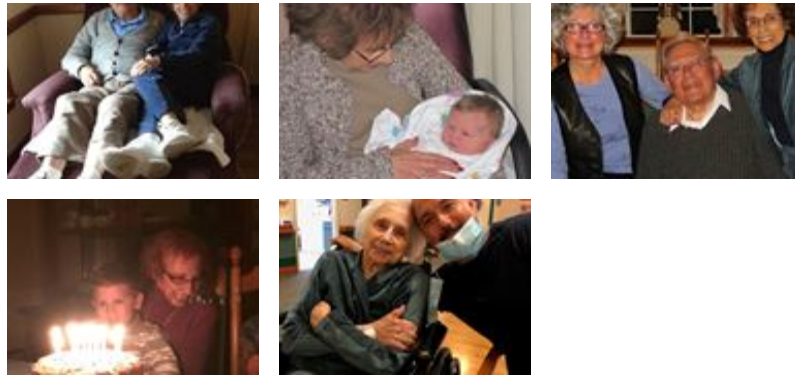


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Donna Teuscher - October 28, 2022 at 05:14 PM



“ 40 files added to the album Life Tributes



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Eannace Funeral Home, Inc. - October 28, 2022 at 04:39 PM

KE

“ I am very sorry to hear of her passing. She was a great woman. She always had a smile on her face and spoke every time she saw me or my children. She will ever be in our hearts.

Prayers

Kim (Henderson) Exton

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Kim Exton - October 27, 2022 at 07:55 PM

JH

“ Our deepest sympathies to your family. She was truly a beautiful, classy woman. She was always there to help or just visit when she was in the school office. A true gem! Very saddened by the news of her passing.

*Blessings and prayers,  
Julie Hutchinson*

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**julie Hutchinson** - October 26, 2022 at 08:09 PM



“ To Mike and family, Our deepest sympathies on the loss of your mother. She was such a kind and wonderful person to many and will be sadly missed by all. May Gods perpetual light shine on her always and bring your family peace during this difficult time. Stu and Alicia Copperwheat

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**AliciaandStu Copperwheat** - October 26, 2022 at 02:10 PM

A'

“ Mrs. Scialdo was such a kind and lovely woman. As students we always loved when she was in the school as her sweet sweet disposition will always be remembered by those who met her. Rest peacefully, kind lady. You were very loved.

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**Amanda (Husted) Munk OCS '03** - October 26, 2022 at 01:48 PM

DE

“ *When I first started teaching at the Oriskany High School in 1971 Flora was the office secretary. She was a very friendly person, who always had a good word to say. She helped very much to make my beginnings at the school more comfortable. It was a pleasure to go to the office and feel the warmth and congeniality she put forth. She was a special person, and I am sure she brightened the lives of many people including mine. I’m sorry for your loss. She was a wonderful person. Dave Evans.*

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**Dave Evans** - October 24, 2022 at 08:09 PM

RS

“ *To the family of Flora, I am sorry for the loss of your love one.*



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**Roseann Simmons** - October 24, 2022 at 06:58 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mrs. Flora A. (Rizzo) Scialdo.*



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October 24, 2022 at 03:33 PM

BS

“ I worked with Flora in both Oriskany central school buildings. What a pleasure it was! She always had the children and staff under her wing. My love of travel was acknowledged by Flora whenever she called me Gulliver. My most sincere condolences go out to her family. Your Mom was a special lady  
Barb Schooley

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**Barbara Schooley** - October 23, 2022 at 10:29 PM

JD

So sorry for your loss. I have such fond memories growing up in our younger years with your family and I truly adored Flora

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**Jeri Lynn Fiore Ducato** - October 31, 2022 at 09:57 AM