



Frances J. DeCuffa

April 30, 1922 - January 30, 2014

Mrs. Frances J. “Frannie” (Cimino) DeCuffa, age 91, passed away on Thursday, January 30, 2014 at the Faxton-St. Luke’s Healthcare Center with the love and support of her family by her side.

Born in Utica on April 30, 1922, Frances was the daughter of the late Joseph and Catherine (Sacco) Cimino. Raised and educated locally, she was a graduate of T.R. Proctor High School/Class of 1940. On June 8, 1946 she married Dominick F. “Deacon” DeCuffa with whom she shared 33 years honoring their vows in accordance with the admiration and love they had for each other. The love of her life, Dominick passed away on November 11, 1979.

At one time, Frannie held employment as a sales clerk with the famed Boston Store in downtown Utica. She then worked for Retail Credit. Above all, Frannie was a wife and best friend who offered her love and devotion to her husband. As a nurturing mother, her loved ones meant everything to her. She loved socializing with family and friends and was a joy to be around. She was always involved in family activities, and her age was never an impediment in her relationships with her grandchildren. Although she instilled the traditions of her heritage and family values, she was very contemporary minded.

Fastidious in her demeanor and appearance, she was always dressed to impress. She loved to shop, enjoyed Sunday family dinners, and was an excellent baker. Her family will long remember her “cuzupe” and do their best to carry on the tradition. Frannie was very devoted to her church, St. Mary of

Mt. Carmel/Blessed Sacrament Parish, where she was a member of the Busy Body Club, St. Anne's Society, The Social Club, and Cousins Club. She attended Bible Study classes and volunteered at the annual festivals, holding dear the friendships she made there. Her generous nature also led her to become a Communion Ambassador where she distributed the Eucharist to those who were unable to attend Mass.

Frannie is survived by her daughters and sons-in-law, Judy and Tony Hathaway, and Cathy and Larry Myers, of Utica. She also leaves her grandchildren, Deanna and Scott Lombard of Frankfort, Salvatore and Annie Torchia of White Plains, Nicole Rossi of Whitesboro and Tony Esposito, Kim Myers and Michael Fanelli of New Hartford, and Larry and Kim Myers of Frankfort; her great-grandchildren, Kate, Gage, and Larry; her sister, Ella Mazzaferro of Rome; her brother and sister-in-law, Tony and Marilyn Cimino of Utica; several nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, cousins, godchildren Connie Citriniti-Giacovelli, Suzanne Smith, and Frances Carollo; her in-laws, Albert and Nedie DeCuffa, and Ida and Philip Capraro Sr., and many special friends. She was predeceased by her brother and sister-in-law, Nicholas J. and Lillian Cimino; her sister, Yetta Scialdo; her son-in-law, Salvatore Torchia; her in-laws, Salvatore Mazzaferro, Giacomo "Jack" DeCuffa, and Mary and Angelo Christiano; and her special cousin, Frances Citriniti, who she adored like a sister.

The family is grateful to the staff of the St. Luke's Home, especially acknowledging Alyssa Thompson, for their care and compassion.

Visitation will be held Sunday from 2:00-5:00 at the Eannace Funeral Home, Inc., 932 South St., corner of Hammond Ave. Frances' funeral service and Celebration of Life will commence on Monday morning at 9:00 from the funeral home and at 10:00 at St. Mary of Mt. Carmel/Blessed Sacrament Parish where her Mass of Christian Burial will be offered by Rev. Joseph Salerno. Entombment will take place in Resurrection Chapel Mausoleum at the convenience of the family.

Cemetery Details

Resurrection Chapel Mausoleum

Champlin Ave.
Utica, NY 13501

Previous Events

Service

FEB 3. 10:00 AM (ET)

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

Tribute Wall

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“ *Judy & Cathy - so sorry to hear of the loss of your mother. You are in my thoughts and prayers.*

Mary Ann Motto Furtek

Mary Ann Motto Furtek - February 04, 2014 at 08:10 AM

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“ *Cathy, Larry, and family, I am so sorry to hear of your loss. You are in my thoughts and prayers.*

Karen Dean - February 03, 2014 at 12:17 PM



“ *Classic Sympathy Basket Arrangement was purchased for the family of Frances J. DeCuffa.*



February 02, 2014 at 05:00 PM

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“ *Dearest Cousins
Cathy, Judy and Family, I extend my deepest
heartfelt sympathy and condolences for the
passing of you mother.
She was a very special, beautiful,
unforgettable, Lady.
She will always hold a very special place in my heart.
I will away remember her warmth, her smile, her laugh that was so
beautiful*



This Poem reminds me of her

*Thought I saw her face today
In the sparkle of the morning sun.
And then I heard the angel say
“Her work on earth is done.”*

*I thought I heard her voice today
then her. Laugh.....*

*Love always
Susan DeCuffa Lenglais and Family*

Susan - February 02, 2014 at 11:41 AM

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“ *Franca LENTO-TURK 29 rue Lambert 62217
ACHICOURT FRANCE purchased the Serene Gr
een™ Bouquet For Sympathy for the family of
Frances J. DeCuffa.*



**Franca LENTO-TURK 29 rue Lambert 62217 ACHICOURT
FRANCE** - February 01, 2014 at 04:34 PM



“ *Multicolor Bright Sympathy Basket was purchased for the family of Frances J. DeCuffa.*



February 01, 2014 at 10:57 AM