



Mrs. Francesca E. "Frances" (Zumbo) Barberio Castello

December 1, 1934 - April 9, 2014

Mrs. Francesca E. "Frances" (Zumbo) Barberio Castello, age 79, passed away on Wednesday, April 9, 2014 at her home, following her valiant battle. At the time of her passing, her loving family was by her side.

Born in Utica on December 1, 1934, Frances was the daughter of the late Bruno and Rose (Gulla) Zumbo. Raised and educated locally, she was proud of attaining her Nurse Certification and honored her time spent helping others. On May 11, 1960 she was joined in marriage with Anthony Barberio, Sr. with whom she shared 42 years until his passing on November 18, 2002. She was blessed with a second union when she wed Norman P. Castello on May 8, 2009.

With a caring heart, compassionate mind, and gentle hands, Frances followed her vocation working at the Masonic Care Community. She proudly continued her career as a loving caretaker at the Visiting Nurse Association for 34 years, retiring in 2000. She was a loving wife and a devoted and wonderful mother. She was very fond of her husband's family and embraced them as her own. A selfless woman, Frances tended to the needs of others, and it was her kind and generous heart that uplifted everyone who touched her life. She loved attending bingo with her family, leisurely drives behind the wheel, and traveling, especially her many trips to California. A faith-filled parishioner of St. Anthony & St. Agnes Church, Frances was devoted to her daily personal prayers and petitions for the needs of friends and loved ones.

Frances is survived by her husband, Norman; and her son and daughter-in-

law, Gerard and Racheal Barberio of Utica. She cherished the memory of her son, Anthony Barberio, Jr., who passed away on January 16, 1977. She also leaves her adored grandchildren, Anthony Barberio, and Julius Barberio; and her brothers and sisters-in-law, Anthony and Clara Zumbo of CA, Vinny and Joan Zumbo of West Winfield, and Joseph and Carol Zumbo of Utica. Her extended family includes her step-children, Auria and Gary Gerhardt of Deerfield, N. Todd and Marie Castello of VA; her 6 step-grandchildren; several nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, cousins, sisters-in-laws Barbara, Beatrice, Santina Barberio, all of Florida, and Grace Castello of Utica; and her many dear friends, especially acknowledging her lifelong friend, Philomena Ficchi.

The family extends a special thank-you to Frances' nephew, Joseph Zumbo, Jr. for the loving care, devotion, concern, and compassion he offered his aunt. Thanks also to the personnel of Hospice & Palliative Care, Inc. for their loving attention and comfort; the family was deeply impressed by the care rendered to Frances, especially acknowledging the efforts of Christine, Crystal, Ann, and Terry.

Visitation will be held Monday from 4:00-7:00 at the Eannace Funeral Home, Inc., 932 South St., corner of Hammond Ave. For those wishing to do so, memorial donations in Frances' honor may be made to Hospice & Palliative Care, Inc.; envelopes will be available at the funeral home. Frances' funeral service and Celebration of Life will commence on Tuesday 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 offered by Rev. Mark Kaminski. Entombment will take place in Calvary Cemetery Mausoleum.

Cemetery Details

Calvary Mausoleum

2407 Oneida Street
Utica, Ny

Previous Events

Service

APR 15. 10:30 AM (ET)

St. Anthony & St. Agnes Church
422 Tilden Ave.
Utica, NY 13501
(315) 732-1177
<https://www.stanthonystagnes.com/>

Tribute Wall

JS

“ To the Barberio family, so sorry for your loss. My thought and prayers are with you and your family at this time of sorrow. Joe Schiavetta

Joe Schiavetta - April 15, 2014 at 06:48 PM

CH

“ My dear Gerard and Rachele, Words cannot express how sorry I am and how much I loved your mom. She was like a mom to me, when I was a little girl Franny always babysat me, she bought me candy, and other toys and so much more. I loved being with her and we had such a great relationship. Such a wonderful, kindhearted woman, that's the way she was and still will be. she loved you, and Rachele, and most of all her babies, she inspired me to keep fighting, told me the chemo was a piece of cake, I will always hear her voice and her telling me how much she loved me, never will I forget the good old days, the get togethers, the holidays, and the family picnics, oh, one more thing, BINGO, we couldn't wait to play bingo everynight, with Grandma, Aunt Lizzie, my mom and me, lol, all the beautiful memories, Dance and sing with Jesus, Until we meet in heaven, I wil miss you so much, I will always love you, love Cindy

Cindy Hotaling - April 14, 2014 at 06:07 PM

CP

“ Dear Norm, I am so sorry to read your beloved Frances passed away. She brought such life and sunshine into your life for many years. I am glad I had the opportunity to chat with you both a few weeks ago. God bless you! Love, Cathy & Heyward

Cathy Preacher - April 14, 2014 at 03:09 PM



“ *Blue & White Sympathy Floor Basket was purchased for the family of Mrs. Francesca E. "Frances" (Zumbo) Barberio Castello.*



April 14, 2014 at 01:15 PM



“ *Everytime I saw Aunt Fran, she would always make me smile. She was a great loving & caring person and each one of you can hold her in your hearts forever. To the whole family, our thoughts and prayers are with you. The Thompson's, Brian, Janine, Ryan & Megan*

Janine - April 14, 2014 at 11:37 AM



“ *Gerard i am so sorry about ur mom she was a great lady many good memories growing up always full of life always went out if her way making others happy.I will miss her an never forget the good old days.I wish i was able 2 make the services honey but I'm away in vegas but i will keep u in my prayers..god bless all of u an just know that all her pain an suffering is no more an that she will always be with u always. Franny u always new how 2 be the life if a party god bless u an u will be truly missed by many including me..patti shires.*

pat shires - April 14, 2014 at 02:53 AM

CZ

“ Cheryl Zumbo lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Francesca E. "Frances" (Zumbo) Barberio Castello



Cheryl Zumbo - April 13, 2014 at 11:15 PM

CZ

“ We miss you & we will have the memories of how special & good you were to us, especially how special & your love for Cassandra was. She will always remember the songs that you sang to her "You are so beautiful to me" & "How much is that doggie in the window" & everyone will know "Ne, Na, Ne, Na".

You will always be in our heart. We love you & we know that you are at peace.

Love, Joe, Cheryl & Cassandra

Cheryl Zumbo - April 13, 2014 at 11:14 PM

KK

“ Gerard & Family,
Aunt Fran will truly be missed.. Her kind heart & caring loving ways will always hold a special place in my heart. I miss all the good times we had at the house growing up, there's a lot of great memories. My sincere condolences to all..

Love Always,

Kim Kelly

kim kelly - April 13, 2014 at 07:54 PM

R.

Thanx Kim give your mom my love too when ur up the next time better come see me and the kids or else!!!! Lol take care Geeard

r.barberio - April 18, 2014 at 01:51 AM

TA

“ *Tammy and her Zumbo Family,
We are sorry for the loss of Fran. God Bless her with peace and
pain free! Your family is in our prayers.*

*With love,
Rich and Tami Ryan*

tami - April 13, 2014 at 05:40 PM

JO

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with your family.....Fran was a great
tenant when she resided at Steinhorst Square. Please accept our
condolences.*

The staff of Steinhorst Square Apts.

Jody - April 13, 2014 at 01:15 PM

DE

“ *Deanna lit a candle in memory of Mrs.
Francesca E. "Frances" (Zumbo) Barberio
Castello*



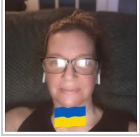
Deanna - April 13, 2014 at 07:40 AM



*Gerard, Racheal, and family,
So sorry for your loss. Keeping you all in thought and prayer during this
difficult time.*

*Respectfully,
Deanna Lercara*

Deanan Lercara - April 13, 2014 at 07:47 AM



“ *I miss you Frannie.*”



Racheal Barberio - April 13, 2014 at 07:37 AM