



Frances M. (LaNeve) Callari

Mrs. Frances M. (LaNeve) Callari, age 84, of Utica, formerly of 709 Tilden Avenue, and currently a resident of the St. Joseph Nursing Home, passed away on Tuesday, May 11, 2010. Her passing occurred at the St. Elizabeth Medical Center with the love and support of her family by her side.

Born in Utica on December 13, 1925, Frances was the daughter of the late Angelo and Angeline (Scalzo) LaNeve. She received her elementary education at St. Mary of Mt. Carmel Grammar School and then attended Utica Free Academy. On October 4, 1947 she married Peter B. Callari with whom she shared 22 years prior to his passing on January 15, 1970; they were partners not only in their marriage, but also in their family life and business ventures.

Frances began her working career as a sales clerk at Grant's Bookstore. She then devoted her maternal years to raising her children, and concurrently assisted her husband in their business ventures; overseeing the concession stand at the Schuyler Drive-In, and operating the Sky Line Restaurant.

Frances lastly was a sales associate at Winner's Women's Apparel Store where she worked until its closing. She was a very hospitable woman, forever a smile on her face. Her cooking talents were abundant and her home was open to all. Holiday gatherings were made special by her home made delectable dishes, culminating in a "masterful meal". Her children were the center of her life and in turn, they honored and incorporated her into their lives. When they were school-aged, she always supported the activities of her

children and their friends who remember the generosity and love she put into the baked goods and treats. Her innate traits of being good-natured, spirited, and fun-loving will long be remembered. Along with her husband they enjoyed creating ceramics which they masterfully displayed for others to admire and purchase. Another of her favorite pastimes was Saturday “garage saleing”. She was a parishioner of St. Anthony & St. Agnes Church.

Frances is survived by her son, Peter B. Callari, Jr. of N. Utica; her daughters and sons-in-law, Barbara A. and Jack LoMedico of Utica, and Cathy and Lyle Beane of New Hartford; her grandchildren, Gina and Brent Vanderwood, Jamie Callari, Jason Gokey, Gregory LoMedico, Ryan LoMedico, Matthew LoMedico, Brittany Beane, and Lyle Beane, III; and her great-grandchildren, Kaiela and Logan; and Julia and Kaitlyn. Survivors also include many nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, cousins, sister-in-law, Anne LaNeve of NY Mills; and longtime friend and garage sale buddy, Roxanne Convertino. She was predeceased by her sister and brother-in-law, Loretta and Michael Loiacano; her brother, George S. LaNeve, Sr.; her niece, Mary Anne Devendorf; her nephew, George S. LaNeve, Jr; and her in-laws, Theresa and Vincent Fondario, and Kathleen “Katie” and Ernest Bruno.

The family is grateful to the staff of the St. Elizabeth Medical Center Special Care Unit, especially Pam, Rhonda, and Lisa; their kindness was extraordinary and of great comfort to the family during the last few days of Frances’ journey; the caregivers of the St. Joseph Nursing Home, the Carmelite Sisters, the 2nd floor staff who cared for “Frannie” with many gentle gestures, and the spiritual guidance of Father David Sambor.

Visitation will be held on Friday from 4:00-7:00 at the Eannace Funeral Home, Inc. 932 South St., corner of Hammond Ave. Frances’ funeral service will commence on Saturday morning at 8:00 from the funeral home and at 9:00 at St. Anthony and St. Agnes Church where her Mass of Christian Burial and Celebration of Life will be held. Her family will accompany Frances to her final resting place in Calvary Cemetery.

Tribute Wall



“ Dear Peter, Barbara, and Cathy: Your Mom was one of a kind. When ever we were at her house we felt as if we were at home. Patti and I will never forget Frances and all of you. May her precious soul rest in Peace for ever with your Father and Gramma. Paul & Patti Mangano and AZ Family.##imported-begin##Paul & Patti Mangano##imported-end##

May 17, 2010 at 01:59 PM



“ Barbara & Jack,

I am so very sorry that I missed your Mom's calling hours. I know she was a very special Mom to both of you and your children. She can never be replaced, but you have all the fond memories to remember. May her soul rest in peace and may God's blessings be on all of you. My deepest condolences to all of you.

God's blessings on all of you.

Mary Louise Sirianni##imported-begin##Mary Louise Sirianni##imported-end##

May 16, 2010 at 04:22 PM



“ Peter, Barbara, and Cathy,

although we could not be there in person, we wanted to take this opportunity to pass along our condolences. Your family is in our thoughts and prayers.##imported-begin##Kit and Rick LaNeve##imported-end##

May 16, 2010 at 09:51 AM



“ PETER, BARBIE AND CAHTY: I WAS INFORMED BY BROTHER JOHN THAT AUNT FRAN PASSED AWAY ON THURSDAY. IT IS ALWAYS A SAD DAY WHEN A FAMILY MEMBER PASSES AWAY THAT HAS SHOWN THE LOVE, KINDNESS, WARMTH, AS ALWAYS WITH A SMILE. AUNT FRAN WAS ALWAYS HUMOROUS AND YOU KNEW SHE WAS AROUND. OUR HEART FELT SYMPATHIES TO YOU ALL IN THIS TIME OF SADNESS AND LOSS. ERNIE AND CHRISTINE BRUNO. MAY GOD BLESS.###imported-begin##ERNIE AND CHRISTINE BRUNO OF CLEVELAND OHIO##imported-end##

May 15, 2010 at 10:57 AM



“ I'm very sorry to hear about Aunt Frannie's passing. You are all in my thoughts and prayers. She was a very special woman!###imported-begin##Margie LaNeve##imported-end##

May 15, 2010 at 10:38 AM



“ Dear Peter, Barbara, and Cathy and families,
I am truly sorry for your loss. Your mom is part of some very pleasant memories of when the Scalzo family used to have get-togethers many years ago. She always had a smile on her face and a pleasant thing to say whenever I saw her. When we would visit Aunt Marion, next door, she would come over for coffee, and, we'd visit and talk about old times. Always loved and respected your mom and dad.
Fran Scalzo (Mario and Ida's son)###imported-begin##Fran Scalzo##imported-end##

May 14, 2010 at 01:40 PM



“ Aunt Frani was always a very special perxon, always warm and welcoming. She will be missed.##imported-begin##Glenn Devendorf##imported-end##

May 12, 2010 at 06:16 PM