



Ilda "Hilda" (Zegarelli) Graniero

February 28, 1920 - February 20, 2018

UTICA - Mrs. Ilda, "Hilda" (Zegarelli) Graniero, age 98, passed away peacefully on her 98th birthday, Wednesday, February 28, 2018 at the Masonic Care Community of NY with her loving family by her side.

Born in the town of Spigno Saturnia in the Province of Latina, Italy on February 28, 1920, Ilda was the daughter of the late Antonio and Caterina (Balenti) Zegarelli. Raised and educated in Italy, she and her family immigrated to the United States and settled in the Utica area in 1956. On May 29, 1938 she wed Giovanni "John" Graniero with whom she shared 47 years in a loving marriage until his passing on September 5, 1985.

Hilda worked as a machine operator at the Corden Manufacturing Company and later at the Joseph & Feiss Company until her retirement. She was a loving matriarch to her family and she had a very giving nature. She was humble and heartfelt in her altruism and always went out of her way for others. She was a great gardener and loved to share her homegrown vegetables with her family. She practiced her Catholic faith as a parishioner of St. Anthony & St. Agnes Church and held a deep adoration for St. Cosmos and St. Damiano for the miracles they granted her.

Ilda is survived by her sons and daughter-in-law, Vincenzo and Lucia "Lucy" Graniero of Utica, and Ben Graniero, a resident of the Heritage Healthcare Center; and her sister, Assunta Zegarelli of Rochester. She also leaves her many nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, cousins, in-laws, Silvia Zegarelli, and Giuliana Graniero; and her many special friends, especially

Rosa Vita and family. She was predeceased by her brother, Mambrino Zegarelli; and her in-laws, Dominick Zegarelli, and Louis Graniero.

The family is grateful to the staff of the Masonic Care Community of NY for attending to Ilda with compassion and respect.

Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend her Committal services and Final Blessing which will be offered on Wednesday morning at 10:00 at the St. Agnes Cemetery Chapel.

Cemetery Details

St. Agnes Cemetery

601 Arthur Street
Utica, NY 13501
(315) 732-8588

Tribute Wall

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“ *My deepest sympathies to the Graniero family. Ilda was my mother's roommate at the Masonic Care Community. Since I visited mom every day, I made sure to always visit with Ilda for awhile. She would always speak in Italian to me and hold my hand when we were together. She talked about her garden and was a very sweet woman. I will miss seeing her.*



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