



## Mrs. Joan A. (Pontoriero) Infusino, RN

December 24, 1934 - May 7, 2022

MARCY – Mrs. Joan A. (Pontoriero) Infusino, RN, age 87, passed away on Saturday, May 7, 2022, in the comfort and dignity of her home.

Born in Utica on December 24, 1934, Joan was the daughter of the late Girolamo “Jerry” and Anna (Kliss) Pontoriero. She was a graduate of Utica Free Academy and went on to study at St. Elizabeth’s School of Nursing. She successfully passed her boards and became a NYS Registered Nurse.

On October 19, 1957, Joan married a man who honored and adored her: Vincent R. Infusino, Jr. As a wife, Joan could claim responsibility for all goodness and graces and was truly the model of a devoted wife. The couple, who shared a loving marriage, would spend nearly 43 years together as husband and wife prior to Vinny’s passing on September 25, 2000.

Joan enjoyed a prestigious employment opportunity prior to raising her family: she held a role as a private Surgical Nurse with Dr. Smith—a mutually respectful working relationship. This position was then followed by several part-time positions at Faxton Hospital as the 3rd Floor Charge Nurse, at Genesee Nursing Home, and at St. Joseph’s Nursing Home. Joan held tenure working with Dr. Silverman, MD, who was an Ear, Nose, and Throat Specialist. Her work family meant the world to Joan, and many had remained friends with her to this day.

Although Joan had a career of her own, her family was her greatest priority. She always made sure, wherever possible, to arrange her schedule around her parenting responsibilities, which were of the utmost importance to Joan.

She was a constant presence in her children's lives and was a good example of a mom who loved being present to raise a family. Joan lived in the hearts of her children and worked to remain in their lives as a constant example of goodness.

When the grandchildren came, Joan prioritized spending time with them and was a dependable and exuberant babysitter. Whenever a celebratory occasion came about in the lives of her loved ones, she made sure to send cards. Joan even made a special tradition with each grandchild! Grandma Joan will always remain in their hearts.

Joan was an avid NY Yankees Fan. All who drove past her home on Albany St. knew a Yankee fan lived there, as the fan memorabilia could not be mistaken! Joan also enjoyed her daily walks, which she found were excellent for her wellness and a good release of energy. Another hobby in which Joan indulged was shopping; she was a wise and seasoned shopper who was always mindful of looking out for the perfect gift. Joan particularly delighted in buying shoes and watching jewelry sessions on QVC. Above all, Joan practiced kindness and was sentient.

Joan was a prayerful person who was often seen with her book of saint and prayer cards by her side. She took solace in remembering others and their needs in her prayers and filled her prayer book to the brim with petitions. Joan truly took refuge in the Lord and counted on His love to guide her. She was a longtime member of Historic Old St. John's Church.

Joan is survived by her children and their spouses, Sharon and Brian Scala, Mark and Karen Infusino, Anita and James Hoffman with whom she resided, and Scott Infusino. She was preceded by her daughter-in-law, Beth Infusino, who she was truly devoted to in her time of need. Joan will live on in the hearts of her grandchildren, Vincent R. Infusino; Bryan Scala, Jason Scala; Christopher Hoffman, and Justin Hoffman; as well as her great-grandchild, Bailey Infusino. She will be fondly remembered by her mother-in-law, Gloria Mary Infusino. Joan was predeceased by her siblings and their spouses, Marie and George Fitzgerald, Genevieve and John Getter, Pat and Vincenza

Pontoriero, and Dolores and George Hameline. She leaves behind numerous nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, and cousins. Joan was blessed to share her life with some long-time, wonderful women, Mary Alice, Sharon, and Geri.

The family would like to extend their gratitude to Shari Miller, who was in Joan's home and assisted her beautifully; thanks are given to her for keeping Joan well-cared for. A heartfelt gratitude is extended to Joan's son-in-law, Jim, who was truly an incredible guy to her on so many levels.

Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend Joan's funeral service and Mass of Christian Burial, which will commence on Saturday morning, May 14, 2022, at 11:00 a.m. at Historic Old St. John's Church, 240 Bleecker St.

There will be an opportunity to greet the family at the conclusion of the Mass.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions in Joan's honor may be made to the Alzheimer's Association online at <https://www.alz.org/donate>; envelopes will also be available at the service. Entombment will take place in Resurrection Chapel Mausoleum at Holy Trinity Cemetery at the convenience of the family.

# Cemetery Details

## Resurrection Chapel Mausoleum

Champlin Ave.  
Utica, NY 13501

# Previous Events

## Funeral Service

MAY **14**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Historic Old St. John's Church  
240 Bleecker Street  
Utica, NY 13501  
(315) 724-6159  
<https://www.historicoldstjohnschurch.com/>

# Tribute Wall


EI

“ *Condolences to the family.*

*Edward L. Infusino  
Wellington, Florida*

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**Edward L. Infusino** - May 22, 2022 at 02:49 PM

 Gina  
Cianfrocco-  
Schillaci

“ *Gina Cianfrocco-Schillaci purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Mrs. Joan A. (Pontoriero) Infusino, RN.*



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**Gina Cianfrocco-Schillaci** - May 11, 2022 at 03:09 PM

SO

“ *I had the honor & privilege to work with Joan at St. Joseph's nursing home in the early 70's. She had such a wonderful sense of humor . So caring to the patients . I have thought about her for many years . May she Rest In Peace.*

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**sheilah Kittle RN OCN** - May 11, 2022 at 11:46 AM

DD

“ *Mark, Karen, and family. We are so sorry for your loss.*

*Greg and Donna Daniels,  
Cudjoe Key, FL*

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**Donna Daniels** - May 11, 2022 at 06:53 AM

JS

“ Brian, my condolences to you, your wife, and all of your family. I am sorry for your loss.

John Scala - May 10, 2022 at 07:21 AM

MC

“ Sincere condolences to all the family. Remember all the fun times we had on Third Avenue with your Mom Dad and grandparents Vinny and Gloria Mary. The memories may fade but will not be forgotten. Mark Cacoza Saratoga Springs NY

mark Cacoza - May 09, 2022 at 05:06 PM



“ Vivid Recollections was purchased for the family of Mrs. Joan A. (Pontoriero) Infusino, RN.



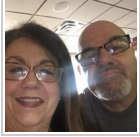
May 09, 2022 at 09:37 AM

LC

“ Anita, Jim and family,  
I am so sorry for the loss of your Mom. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

Laurie and Matt Christ

Laurie Christ - May 09, 2022 at 07:54 AM



“ So sorry for your loss. I wish We could be there for you however we are out of town,  
May Joan’s soul Rest In Peace,, ❤️🙏

Gail Demma - May 09, 2022 at 12:15 AM

MG

“ My most sincere condolences to you and your family. To me...Mrs Infusino will always be my nurse who always gave me my allergy shots at Dr Silverman office. May she rest in peace.

Melinda Goodding - May 08, 2022 at 06:58 PM

LS

“ Rest In Peace, Aunt Joan. We will think of you whenever we watch a Yankees game. We love you.  
David and Laura

Laura Pontoriero Simonelli - May 08, 2022 at 03:45 PM

CR

“ Dear Anita and family,  
I am so very sorry for your loss. My deepest sympathy to you all.

Carol Rositano



Carol Rositano - May 08, 2022 at 03:24 PM