



Linda A. "Aya" Filippelli

January 16, 1947 - September 24, 2023

NORTH UTICA - Linda A. "Aya" Filippelli, age 76, went home to the Lord with her beloved Judy embracing her last moments with great love on Sunday, September 24, 2023.

Born in Utica on January 16, 1947, Linda was the daughter of the late Frank J., Sr. and Josephine B. Filippelli. Linda received her education at local schools, and was a graduate of T.R. Proctor High School.

For over 50 years, she shared in a committed relationship with Judy Talerico. She was known for her caring nature and sensitivity to the needs of others. Her sense of humor was very witty, and she had a wide circle of friends. She dedicated her career to the former St. Elizabeth Hospital, where she first worked in the ICU unit. She then accepted a position as a switchboard operator where she had been the "focus" of guidance and hospitality. Linda was sassy, but highly respected for her dedication to her work.

Linda enjoyed playing bingo at local halls and cherished moments with Judy, shopping at the Olde Kountry Market, and summers spent at Hinckley Lake, savoring the beautiful scenery. Christmas Eve was a special time for Linda when she prepared meals and gathered with family. She believed in the Lord and relied upon Him in her times of need.

She is survived by her significant other, Judy Talerico, as well as their feline, "Stellah Mae," whom they rescued and she was the queen of their house; her siblings, Frank J. Filippelli, Jr., and Jeanette R. Sardina (and her late husband, Joseph "Butch" Sardina); nieces and nephews, Sandra Macri, Joseph Sardina, Jr., Santo and Sue Sardina, Frank and Renae Sardina, great-nieces and great-nephews, Kristy, Traci, and Riely; Thomas, and Adam; and cousins of the Filippelli and Chandler families, too numerous to mention; Judy's nieces and boys, Chelesea, and Ashley, as well as their mother Regina; great-nieces Ashley, Carmella, and Isabella; in-laws, Kevin Talerico, and James "Jamie" and Lori (Burr) Talerico; special friends, Virginia Landesman, very best bingo buddies Alison, Sandy, Ethel, and Marlene. She was preceded by her aunt and uncles, John Filippelli, Sam Filippelli, Jerry Filippelli, and Rose Chandler; and Judy's parents Gerald A. "Mr. T," Jr. and Ellen (Brown) Talerico.

The family wishes to express their gratitude to the second floor staff of The Grand Rehab and Nursing at Mohawk Valley in Ilion with special mention of caregivers Crystal RN, Brianna, Taylor, and Lexie. They were respectful, attentive, and loving in their care of Linda. Dr. Amy Gorczynski, was her personal physician, who provided outstanding commitment to Linda's care, for which her efforts will always be held dear.

Visitation for family and friends will be held on Friday, September 29, 2023, from 4:00-6:00 p.m. at the Eannace Funeral Home, Inc., 932 South St., corner of Hammond Ave.

The family kindly requests that flowers be omitted. A prayer service will be held at the conclusion of visitation.

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **29**. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Eannace Funeral Home, Inc.
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Prayer Service

SEP **29**. 6:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

LP

“ I was very sorry to read about the passing of Linda. I was blessed to have met her and Judy. Linda was kind, caring, and was always doing for others. She was especially caring to my mother Marion. She would always say hello and give my mom a kiss on her cheek. They shared their love of Bingo at the Legion on Herkimer Road. I am sorry again to have missed calling hours to give my personal sympathy, but I hope these words pass along to Judy and her other family members that Linda was a special woman(I know that it is already a known fact) but that again I am so glad that myself and my mother were blessed to have gotten to know her and to spend time together. She knew how much my mom loved playing bingo, and she was tickled when she won. As my mother was happy when Linda would be able to say Bingo.

Laurie Porreca - October 12, 2023 at 04:28 PM

AR

“ *Judy & Family*
We are so very sorry to hear this sad news of Linda's passing. We are unable to attend services because we are in Florida, but our thoughts and prayers are with you.
Sincerely,
Bill & AnnMarie Ruth

AnnMarie Ruth - September 30, 2023 at 11:14 PM

EP

“ *Please accept our sincere condolences during this difficult time!*
Emil and Janet Paparella

Emil Paparella - September 29, 2023 at 12:23 PM

KM

“ I am so sorry to hear of Linda's passing. I will keep Linda and her loved ones in my prayers. God bless you Judy and grant you comfort and peace.



Karen Moylan - September 29, 2023 at 12:09 PM

KS

“ Linda was a friend for 50 years. We had a lot of fun at annual Christmas parties and when we went camping at Hinkley Lake. She was always funny and had a kind and caring attitude. She will be missed by all who knew her. Fly with the angels Linda.

Karen Stooks - September 28, 2023 at 05:33 PM

SC

“ Sharon Campola lit a candle in memory of Linda A. "Aya" Filippelli



sharon campola - September 28, 2023 at 04:57 PM



“ Sweet Sincerity was purchased for the family of Linda A. "Aya" Filippelli.



September 28, 2023 at 02:32 PM

JC

“ To Linda’s family and friends; I never met nor did I know Linda but worked for many years with Frank at the Utica Post Office. We were good friends and also golfing buddies. He mentioned her often and I could easily tell how much he loved her and what she meant to him! I can only offer prayers and comfort from afar as I’m currently living in South Carolina, but I know that if I could, I would be there to support Frank in this time of sadness and loss ! God’s grace, mercy, and blessings to all!

John Crouse - September 28, 2023 at 11:56 AM

SC

“ To Judy and Linda's family, my deepest sympathy at her passing. She was such a loving and giving person. One I will always remember for the good times we shared , the laughter the fun . Hold on to you memories of your special times together, I will. Much love to all

sharon campola - September 28, 2023 at 07:40 AM

LF

“ We my late husband John and I was so happy to have had Linda as our neighbor. She was always happy and had a great personality. Rest in Peace Linda

Linda Fusaro - September 27, 2023 at 07:52 AM

MC

Rest in peace dear Cousin. I will miss you and our phone calls. God Bless and keep you in his arms forever ❤️🙏 With love your cousin MARY ELLEN

Mary Ellen Chandler - September 27, 2023 at 11:48 AM

RA

Joe and all, I am so sorry to hear of your family's loss.

Ray Alessandrini - September 27, 2023 at 12:38 PM

SP

*Rest In peace , Linda. We may have not seen each much but when we did it was like our friendship was never forgotten.
My sympathies go out to Judy & your family!
A friend is friend till the end! May you hug your Mom & Dad when u see them.
God Bless you*

Sylvia Pietrogiacomo - September 27, 2023 at 06:48 PM

JA

Have not seen Linda in years , but I'm still saddened to learn of her passing and sorry for her loss to Judy and other loved ones .

Judi Falbo Aldi

Judi Aldi - October 06, 2023 at 10:49 AM