



Lucy R. (Buono) Foresti

January 16, 1918 - May 21, 2010

Mrs. Lucy R. (Buono) Foresti, age 92, of New Hartford, and more recently a resident of the Masonic Care Community of NY, passed away on Friday, May 21, 2010. Her passing occurred at the St. Elizabeth Medical Center with the love and support of her family.

Born in Utica on January 16, 1918, Lucy was the daughter of the late Michel and Giovanni (Miglianica) Buono. She received her education in local schools. On July 19, 1943 she married Francis Foresti with whom she shared nearly 55 years prior to his passing on June 5, 1998. As a 'war bride' Lucy held great pride and admiration as she accompanied her husband during his 20-year naval career. A progressive, dynamic couple for their years, they were of one mind in many ways and were dedicated to each other during their marriage. A very loving woman, Lucy was devoted to caring for her family and home, and was most proud of being a protective and perceptive mother and a doting grandma and 'Nini'. Throughout her life, she also shared a great closeness with her siblings and their families. Lucy was blessed with a passion for preparing Italian cuisine, and over the years, she offered her talents to several local restaurants. This community and those she served at her own table will long remember her traditional southern Italian specialties. Her strong constitution was ingrained in all her endeavors, and she graciously accepted accolades and compliments for the things that she excelled at in life. At her 90th birthday celebration, her family composed a cookbook of her own special recipes entitled "Cooking with Lucy", copies of which she personally

autographed for her loved ones. A social person, who was a decorous entertainer, Lucy's presentations were always proper and pleasing. She always remembered others with a special gift and graceful good wishes. For a number years, she and her husband enjoyed the weather and warm friendships they made as "snowbirds" when they traveled south to Melbourne, Florida where they resided during the winter months. Lucy was a supporter and past president of the Ladies Auxiliary of the Fleet Reserve, and a member of the Mahjong Club at the Sons of Italy Lodge. Other pastimes included her skill at the game of cards and the excitement of the luck at bingo. Lucy and Francis had mastered the art of ballroom dancing, a bond in which they graciously shared a beautiful connection. She was a parishioner of St. John the Evangelist Church.

Lucy is survived by her son and daughter-in-law, Dennis F. and Mary Joan Foresti of New Hartford; her daughters and sons-in-law, Donna Jean and Sherman F. Jones, Jr. of New Hartford, JoAnn and Anthony F. Moda of North Chili, NY, and Karen and David Hempson of Cortland; her grandchildren, Kenneth Foresti and Sherrie Rink, and Kevin and Michele Foresti; Brandon and Maxine Jones; Rebecca and Aaron Lowinger; Steven and Julie Moda; Natalie and Michael Weiskotten; and Julie Hempson and fiancé, Lucas Roberts; and her great-grandchildren, Ella Luciana, Matthew Frederick, and Isaac Francis. Survivors also include her many nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, cousins, a special uncle, Ralph Ruggiero, and her in-laws, Salvatore Cifonelli, Frances Buono, Katherine "Kay" LiBritz, Sam and Adelaide Foresti, and Frank and Teresa Foresti. She was predeceased by her siblings, Josephine and Patsy Bello, Mary Dominicone, Teresa and Albert Cifonelli, Carmella and August Saponaro, Paul Buono, and Rose Cifonelli; and her in-laws, Joseph and Betty Foresti, Sam LiBritz, and Mary and Carmen Putrelo.

The family truly admired the professionalism, compassion and respectful attention provided to their mother by the following: the caregivers of the Visiting Nurse Association, the Faxton-St. Luke's Healthcare Center Dialysis

Unit, St. Elizabeth Medical Center, especially the Intensive Care Unit, and the personnel of the Queens household at the Masonic Care Community of NY. Visitation will be held Monday (today) from 4:00-7:00 at the Eannace Funeral Home, Inc., 932 South St., corner of Hammond Ave. For those wishing to do so, please consider memorial contributions in Lucy's honor to the Masonic Care Community of NY or to the Faxton-St. Luke's Dialysis Unit; envelopes will be available at the funeral home. Lucy's funeral service will commence on Tuesday morning at 9:30 from the funeral home and at 10:30 at St. John the Evangelist Church where her Mass of Christian Burial and Celebration of life will be offered. Committal services will take place in Calvary Cemetery Mausoleum Chapel, with interment to follow beside her husband Francis.

Previous Events

Service

MAY **25**. 10:30 AM (ET)

St. John the Evangelist Church
Corner of Oxford and Sherman
New Hartford, NY

Tribute Wall



“ Eannace Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Lucy R. (Buono) Foresti



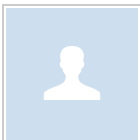
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“ I had the pleasure of meeting Lucy a few times at your joyous family celebrations. From discussions with Karen, I learned what a caring and strong woman she was. She clearly was a powerful influence in your lives and has no doubt, left you many fond memories to treasure.

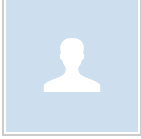
My thoughts are with you as you mourn the death and celebrate the life of Lucy -- someone very dear to you all.##imported-begin##Sheila G. Cohen##imported-end##

May 25, 2010 at 09:24 PM



“ To the family of Mrs Foresti, Kay LiBritz and Addie & Sam Foresti. Please accept my sympathy in the loss of your inlaw. Sorry I was unable to make visitation due to another commitment. My thoughts and prayers are with you##imported-begin##JoAnn Longo##imported-end##

May 24, 2010 at 10:12 PM



“ To Lucy's Family,

We are sadden to hear and read about Lucy's passing. Your Mother was our Mother's roommate at the Masonic Home. So many times on our visit to see the "Ladies" we were welcomed by your Mother's pleasant smile and warm hello.

We tried to get Irene there to calling hours, but Diane is in Utah with the grandchildren. Please know that your Mother is in our prayers.##imported-begin##Brian & Diane Roberts Irene Kwiecinski##imported-end##

May 24, 2010 at 05:28 PM



“ My heart goes out to all of Mrs. Foresti's children, grandchildren and entire family. There is much love shown in her face. I'm very sorry for your loss, and relieved that such a beautiful woman's suffering is now replaced with Grace and comfort.

Love, Andi##imported-begin##Andrea Roberts##imported-end##

May 24, 2010 at 04:14 PM



“ Dear Lucy,

You have been a wonderful sister-in-law, I have enjoyed all of the good times we have spent together with our families. You will be missed and never forgotten. Rest now Lucy with all my love and prayers. God Bless You.##imported-begin##Kay LiBritz##imported-end##

May 23, 2010 at 10:15 PM



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Love &
Prayers go out to all our cousins.*

*Love, Michael & Gerry##imported-begin##Michael & Geraldine
Bello - Boca Raton, Fl.##imported-end##*

May 23, 2010 at 06:56 PM



“ To our cousins and family members we are truly sorry for your loss. I was fortunate to see Aunt Lucy last fall and I am glad for those short moments. I will always remember Aunt Lucy for the time she and Uncle Francis spent with us , making the holiday season Joyous and surrounded with family. Aunt Lucy was a great lady and will truly be missed.##imported-begin##Angelo and Mary Cianfrocco##imported-end##

May 23, 2010 at 06:42 PM



“ Our heart goes out to each and every one of you at this very difficult time. Lucy was an amazing, loving woman whose life enriched us all. Please know that you are in our thoughts and prayers. With sympathy and love,
Maria, Jerry and Jonathan##imported-begin##Maria and Jerry Rice##imported-end##

May 23, 2010 at 10:41 AM



“ So very sorry for your loss##imported-begin##Lori Hood##imported-end##

May 22, 2010 at 03:20 PM



“ Dear Aunt Lucy,

You have been a wonderful Aunt and Mother to me! The memories that we shared together I will always hold close to my heart! You have been through so much over the last few years and handled it like a trooper. Aunt Lucy you did an excellent job on this earth as a mother, an Aunt and a friend. Rest now and be at peace. I will miss you!

I love you,

Jeannine##imported-begin##Jeannine Putrelo##imported-end##

May 22, 2010 at 09:45 AM