



## Marie (Valenzano) Leogrande

July 20, 1916 - May 2, 2007

Mrs. Marie (Valenzano) Leogrande, age 90, formerly of Utica, and currently a resident of Largo, FL, went home to be with The Lord on Wednesday, May 2, 2007.

Born in Utica on July 20, 1916, Marie was the daughter of the late Vito and Marie (Santoro) Valenzano. She was raised and educated in Utica. In October of 1939 she was married to her beloved husband, Cosmo (Coley) Leogrande who passed away in 1991.

In her earlier years, Marie enjoyed working at the Oneita Knitting Mills. After the birth of her children, she began her vocation as a dedicated homemaker. She loved to cook and bake, and her home was often referred to as "Aunt Mary's kitchen". She shared an active and wonderful social life with her husband and she participated in charity musicals. As a couple, they loved to dance, travel, and spend time with their family and friends. She was a communicant of St. Anthony of Padua Church.

Marie is survived by her beloved daughters and sons-in-law, Marie and Phil Peterson, and Patty and Frank Aceto; her cherished grandchildren, Shane Cosmo Aceto, and Erika and John Nelson; and her great-granddaughters, Kayla Marie, Amanda Marie, and Marisa and Gabrielle, all residing in Florida. Also surviving are her nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, cousins; her sister-in-law, Lucy Valenzano; and her precious friends. She was predeceased by a son, Cosmo, Jr., whose memory she cherished in her heart; her brothers and sisters-in-law, Anthony and Rose, Victor (Ninnie) and Fay,

and Frank Valenzano.

Visitation will be held on Sunday from 4-6 at the Eannace Funeral Home, Inc., 932 South St., corner of Hammond Ave. Marie's funeral will commence on Monday morning at 8:00 from the funeral home and at 9:00 at St. Anthony of Padua Church where her Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated. Entombment will take place in Calvary Mausoleum.