



## Mrs. Marie A. (Surace) Suppa

June 13, 1945 - October 16, 2021

Mrs. Marie A. (Surace) Suppa, age 76, was reunited with her husband and went home to the Lord on Saturday evening, October 16, 2021, while in the comfort and dignity of her own home and with her family by her side.

Marie – a resident of Canastota for the last 30 years – was born in Utica on June 13, 1945 to the late Frank and Angela M. (Pisano) Surace. She was a graduate of TR Proctor High School/Class of 1963. A year later on August 22, 1964, Marie married her beloved husband, Gerald P. “Jerry” Suppa. They celebrated 46 years together prior to Jerry’s passing on February 28, 2011. Marie’s marriage to Jerry was truly a blessed and loving one; the two complemented each other in personality, and Marie was known to be both a dutiful wife and beloved mother.

Marie’s upbeat and lively nature kept her and Jerry busy with destination excursions around the country; most memorable was their unforgettable trip to Australia.

A successful caregiver in both the home and in her professional field, Marie’s employment began in the Utica City School District. After her time there, Marie went on to work as a public servant for the Utica Chamber of Commerce, where she assisted in the Career Pathways Programs; a fulfilling position until her retirement.

Marie was known for her tremendous heart and her generous spirit; she devotedly carried out all the responsibilities of keeping her home and tending to her family. Moreover, it was Marie’s high energy that propelled her loved

ones. Up from morning to night, her ambition rewarded her family and friends with many opportunities for connection and adventure. In fact, Marie was a prolific host for them, and she spent time with a wonderful set of friends for numerous occasions. With those she loved, Marie participated in daily entertainment such as day trips, dinner gatherings and the camaraderie she had with friends in her neighborhood. Marie had a phenomenal talent for cooking and baking, and long remembered will be the cookie trays she eagerly shared at the holidays.

Marie cherished her two sons, and was immensely proud of them. Then, when her grandchildren came, she uncovered a new level of pride and joy in the next generation. She was an active participant in all of her grandchildren's lives, attending sporting events and extracurricular activities and cheering them on at all their games. She was their best supporter – their side-line cheerleader – who had the same passion for each of the grandchildren that they had for her.

Marie will forever be remembered for her magnanimous nature, and her love for her family. She was also a faithful woman, committed to praying the rosary and attending weekly Mass at St. Agatha's Parish in Canastota, as well as Blessed Sacrament Church when she resided in Utica. What a blessing her beautiful faith was, as she returns to the arms of the Lord.

Marie is survived by her sons and daughter-in-law, Michael G. and Kerry Suppa, and Gerald S. Suppa. She also leaves behind her precious grandchildren, Laura Suppa, Edward Humphreys; Kayla Suppa, and Justin and his wife Jayme Tornatore (and their mother Dawn Tornatore- Suppa); as well as her great-grandchildren, Cory, Gerald, Arwen, and Natalia. Also left to remember this good woman are her sisters-in-law and brother-in-law, Sandra and Pasquale Mungari, and Maryann Suppa; her nieces and nephews, Sean Surace, Dr. Joseph and Amy Mungari, and Jacki and John Vitullo; Marie's great-nieces and great-nephews, Megan, and Lily Surace; Joseph Jr., and Alexandra Mungari; Sophia, and John Vitullo, Jr.; and her numerous cousins. Marie also shared a special and treasured friendship with many who graced

her heart; especially her long-time friend Barbara Jo Wehrle. Marie was predeceased by her brother Frank Surace; and her father-in-law and mother-in-law, Peter J. and Edith (Cappelli) Suppa.

The family extends their gratitude to the staff of Hospice and Palliative Care, Inc., who were so compassionate in their care for Marie and her family.

The family will commemorate Marie's life at a private time. Memorial contributions in her honor can be made to the American Cancer Society online at <https://www.cancer.org/involved/donate.html>; envelopes will also be available at the service. Family and friends are respectfully invited to attend Marie's funeral service and Celebration of Life which will commence at 11:30 on Tuesday, October 26, 2021 at St. Mary of Mt. Carmel/ Blessed Sacrament Parish where her Mass of Christian Burial will be offered. The family is grateful for those who will attend though they will not be receiving visitors at the conclusion of the service. Entombment will take place in Christ our Savior Mausoleum at Calvary Cemetery at the convenience of the family.

# Tribute Wall

MM

“ *Maria Marino-Durso lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Marie A. (Surace) Suppa*



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**Maria Marino-Durso** - October 28, 2021 at 09:20 AM

AP

“ *Remembering fondly Marie during high school years. Also had the pleasure of working with her when she was at Chamber of Commerce. Tony Perrone*

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**Anthony Perrone** - October 26, 2021 at 02:48 PM



“ *Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mrs. Marie A. (Surace) Suppa.*



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October 26, 2021 at 02:47 AM

PS

“ *Dear Family,  
Your beloved mother was a very dear and gracious woman. She will surely be missed by all who had the pleasure of knowing her and the good fortune of sharing time with her.*



*M/M Robert M. Palmieri*

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**palmieri sue** - October 25, 2021 at 02:47 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mrs. Marie A. (Surace) Suppa.*



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October 24, 2021 at 07:46 PM



“ *To Marie's family, I knew your Mom since grade school at Roosevelt. She was always one of the sweetest, kindest people that I ever knew. My deepest condolences to you all. RIP my dear friend.*

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**Lois Hoyle** - October 22, 2021 at 10:38 AM



“ *Jerry and Michael,  
Our sincere Condolences on the loss of your beloved mom's passing. Time passes but our memories will remain ❤️*

*Surace cousins, Sylvia, Felicia, Joanne, Judi*

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**Felicia (surace) Medici** - October 22, 2021 at 01:14 AM



“ *Felicia (surace) Medici lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Marie A. (Surace) Suppa*



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**Felicia (surace) Medici** - October 22, 2021 at 12:56 AM

JP

“ *I have many happy memories of my times spent with Marie a beautiful lady inside and out I am deeply sorry to hear of her passing love and prayers to you all Patti Zammiello Gigliotti*

Jim and Patti Gigliotti cousins of Patti - October 20, 2021 at 07:28 PM

JP

*Longtime friends with Jerry and Marie*

Jim and Patti Gigliotti cousins of Patti - October 20, 2021 at 07:29 PM

WY

“ *Mike and Jerry; Although we never met, I worked with your mother while I was employed at the Dislocated Workers Program. She was one of the nicest Ladies I have ever met. I always enjoyed talking to her during my visits when she had computer issues. We last spoke when I saw her at Turning Stone and she told me not to give them all my money. I can only wish you and your families Peace and sympathy during these days of sorrow. The hurt may fade with time, but the Memories will last forever.*

William Young - October 20, 2021 at 04:09 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Mrs. Marie A. (Surace) Suppa.*



October 20, 2021 at 12:25 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mrs. Marie A. (Surace) Suppa.*



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October 20, 2021 at 12:04 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Mrs. Marie A. (Surace) Suppa.*



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October 20, 2021 at 10:58 AM



“ *Sandy, Pat and Family we are so sorry to hear about Marie . We are sending prayers and Deepest Sympathies. Maryrose and Jim Schiavetta*

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**Maryrose Schiavetta** - October 20, 2021 at 08:34 AM



“ *Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Mrs. Marie A. (Surace) Suppa.*



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October 20, 2021 at 08:33 AM


CP

“ Carrie Parise lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Marie A. (Surace) Suppa



Carrie Parise - October 20, 2021 at 07:02 AM

MA

“ Although we haven't seen each other in awhile we have had some long overdue conversations over the phone in the past year or so. I will miss those long talks my friend...til we meet again, may you Rest In Peace  To the family, I am so sorry for your loss. Love, Maggie Aceto



Maggie Aceto - October 19, 2021 at 11:26 PM

MI

I am not related to Mrs. Suppa but for all the years I've been alive she has been apart of my family. Ive always known her as Mrs. Suppa but she was more like a Aunt to me. She was at many family gatherings, birthdays and even my piano recitals encouraging me and cheering me on. I have nothing but nice enjoyable memories of how much she laughed, smiled and was joyful to be around. I will always remember the times walking into my Aunt Barbs house seeing her at the kitchen table visiting enjoying a cup of coffee as she always did. Im glad I had the blessing of knowing her and will cherish the great memories I have of her.

Michael - October 22, 2021 at 11:52 AM