



Mrs. Mary J. (Moccaldi) Pape

August 25, 1939 - March 14, 2012

Mrs. Mary J. (Moccaldi) Pape, age 72, of Whitesboro, passed away on Wednesday, March 14, 2012 in the comfort of her home with the love and support of her family by her side.

Mary was born in Utica on August 25, 1939 the daughter of the late Michael M. and Theresa M. (Cardinale) Moccaldi. She attended Roscoe Conkling Elementary School and T.R. Proctor High School graduating in 1957; during her senior year she was honored for her advanced typing skills which afforded her a position at the Boy's Trade School. On May 14, 1966 she was united in the Sacrament of Marriage to Rodger A. Pape, Sr. with whom she shared a beloved and special union of 45 years. Trust and loyalty were the foundation of their love; she admired Rodger as her sweetheart and a kind, loving, special, and best friend.

She began her formal work career with the General Electric Company at their Bleecker Street Radio/Receiver location as a secretary in the purchasing department, a position for which she was proficient. Blessed with her sweetheart's and angels, Marianne and Rodger, Jr., Mary dedicated her years during her children's youth to being at home being the best mom she could be and living by the motto that "her family always came first". When she returned to the workforce, she took a job at the Mohawk Valley Psychiatric Center as a secretarial/keyboard specialist, a place where not only her co-workers, but the clients as well, became a second family to her. She retired in 1997. When her children were growing up, she was very active as a Girl Scout leader, a room

mother at school, supporter of her son by being a hockey mom, and an advocate of any endeavors her children embraced. Mary will be remembered as one who was meticulous in every detail of her life, and truly touched the hearts of those she loved, and will be long remembered for her gracious nature. She was loved and respected by everyone she met, and she always had the ability to see the good in everyone. Laughter and smiles were always apparent in her facial expressions and heartfelt humor especially with Lisa. Chocolate chip cookies were her forte and she shared them with such stylish decorations and presentation. She was blessed with the ability to create incredible Italian cuisine, a tradition she inherited from her mother. Mary also played the role of family photographer, and she always remembered loved ones' special days and occasions with the perfect card or gift. She enjoyed traveling to Myrtle Beach in the winter and she also loved the Adirondacks, especially summers in Inlet. She also liked the excitement of Atlantic City, and the casino at Vernon Downs. In acknowledgement of her organizational skills, she was always proud of the support she rallied for the organization "Feed Our Vets". She was a member of the Red Hat Society Queen of Hearts, where she was "Queen Mother", a title of endearment. Mary was a devout and faithful Catholic and a communicant of the Church of Our Lady of Lourdes. Mary is survived by her beloved husband, Rodger; her daughter, Marianne T. Pape of Myrtle Beach, SC; her son and daughter-in-law, Rodger, Jr. and Amy Pape of West Winfield; and her precious grandchildren, Noelle Sophia, the granddaughter who inherited her quiet and gentle qualities, and Elise Violet, who has her blue eyes and enthusiastic laughter. Mary is survived by a younger brother who she watched over and loved dearly throughout her life, Joseph P. Moccaldi, and his wife Debra of Clinton. She also leaves her aunts and uncles, Rose M. Jalowiec who she admired for her motherly presence in her life, Carmella "Cookie" Biasi, and Raymond F. Cardinale, all of New Hartford; many nieces and nephews, especially acknowledging Caitlyn, Rachel, and Brady, who she adored and with whom she spent precious years sharing great involvement in their life; great-nieces, great-nephews, cousins;

Lisa Blindenhofer who was truly her 2nd daughter; a special “angel”, Kathy Moccaldi, who cared for Mary unconditionally; her sister-in-law, Mona Moccaldi of FL; her lifelong friend, Rose Ann Convertino; and numbered among some of those with whom she shared special and memorable times are Mary Rose and Gary Werner, Aggie and Pat St.Thomas, and Kim Lisandrelli and her daughter Angela. She was predeceased by her brothers, Michael, Robert E., James F. “Jim”, and Pasquale J. Moccaldi; father-in-law and mother-in-law, Henry Sr. and Clara Pape; sister-in-law, Marlene Ann Pape, and brother-in-law and sister-in-law, Henry and Bessie Pape. The family extends special thanks to Dr. Sultana Razia and her staff and nurses who were so affectionate, kind, and compassionate; and to the personnel of Hospice & Palliative Care, Inc. for their comforting presence in her home.

Visitation will be held Sunday from 2:00-5:00 at the Eannace Funeral Home, Inc., 932 South St., corner of Hammond Ave. Flowers are graciously accepted. Mary’s funeral service and Celebration of Life will commence on Monday morning at 9:30 from the funeral home and at 10:30 at the Church of Our Lady of Lourdes where her Mass of Christian Burial will be offered by Rev. Joseph Salerno. Committal services will be held at the chapel at Calvary Cemetery Mausoleum.

“A thoughtful act, however small,
is the greatest gift of all”.

Cemetery Details

Calvary Cemetery

2407 Oneida Street
Utica, NY 13501
(315) 735-2727

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 18. 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

Eannace Funeral Home, Inc.
932 South Street
corner of Hammond Ave.
Utica, NY 13501
(315) 724-6714
eannacefh@roadrunner.com
<https://www.eannacefuneralhome.com>

Tribute Wall

EC

“ Her smile lit up a room. Her cooking filled many bellies with pure joy! She is missed and loved. Thank you for raising such a kind a beautiful daughter.
The Chamberlains

Erica Chamberlain - April 24, 2012 at 03:26 AM

TP

“ Tina And Ted Payne lit a candle in memory of
Mrs. Mary J. (Moccaldi) Pape



Tina and Ted Payne - April 04, 2012 at 01:50 AM

JG

“ Jean A. Guiney lit a candle in memory of Mrs.
Mary J. (Moccaldi) Pape



Jean A. Guiney - March 19, 2012 at 02:36 PM

PM

“ *Marianne,
I was so very sorry to hear of the loss of your
mom. I remember our days in nursing school
when she would come for a visit or for an
event and her kindness and smiles were
infectious. She was truly a lovely and classy lady. Having lost my
mom recently as well, I can only hope you find peace, even if in
small amounts, each passing day and always remember she left
this world so very much loved. My thoughts and prayers are with
you all.*

*Love,
Patsy (Stoffle) Matos*



Patsy Matos - March 19, 2012 at 12:17 PM



“ *TOM JOYCE BLINDENHOFER lit a candle in
memory of Mrs. Mary J. (Moccaldi) Pape*



TOM JOYCE BLINDENHOFER - March 19, 2012 at 08:02 AM



*MARY YOUR SENSE OF HUMOR HAS BLESSED MANY .. AND
YOUR GIVING HEART HAS BEEN AN EXAMPLE FOR ALL WE
LOVE YOU*

TOM JOYCE BLINDENHOFER - March 19, 2012 at 08:15 AM

JP

“ *Jenny Perry lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary J. (Moccaldi) Pape*



Jenny Perry - March 18, 2012 at 08:36 AM

JP

Queen Mary we will miss your sweet smile and our wonderful tea parties. A true southern lady at heart:) Love Donnie, Jenny Eric and Christian Perry

Jenny Perry - March 18, 2012 at 08:38 AM

KF

“ *Kristin Fedor lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary J. (Moccaldi) Pape*



Kristin Fedor - March 17, 2012 at 09:50 AM

KF

I'm so sad to know that Mrs. Pape is gone. I wish I got the chance to see her on last time. Thanks for all the lessons and memories that we shared so many years ago (especially the Italian cooking). You will be missed terribly. My thoughts and prayers are with the family always. Much love to you all.

Kristin Fedor - March 17, 2012 at 09:54 AM

JS

“ We had the pleasure of meeting Mary and Rodger 8 years ago in Myrtle Beach. We enjoyed so many good times and so many laughs with them since. We were treated as family by Mary and invited to every Sunday pasta dinner.
Our hearts ache with her loss.
Our thoughts are with you Rodger and your family.
She truly was a beautiful lady!

Love to all, Dave and Jean

Jean and Dave Singular - March 17, 2012 at 08:18 AM

LB

“ Lisa Barnhill lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary J. (Moccaldi) Pape



Lisa Barnhill - March 17, 2012 at 08:17 AM

JC

“ Jude Clarke lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary J. (Moccaldi) Pape



Jude Clarke - March 17, 2012 at 02:00 AM

JC

To Marianne, Lisa, and the whole family. Am deeply saddened by your loss, but what a wonderful addition to heavens angels. I'm proud to have known her, and will keep your family in my prayers, as you struggle through these next tough weeks and months. Much love, Jude.

Jude Clarke - March 17, 2012 at 02:04 AM

TG

“ *Tammy Jo Gilliam lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary J. (Moccaldi) Pape*



Tammy Jo Gilliam - March 16, 2012 at 09:40 PM

BP

“ *We give our loved ones back to GOD just as HE first gave them to us and HE did not lose them in the giving so we have not lost them in returning them to HIM...for life is eternal. love is immortal, death is only a horizon, and a horizon is nothing but the limit on our earthly sight. from book by Helen Steiner Rice*

BJ Phillips

BJ Phillips - March 16, 2012 at 08:58 PM

GG

“ *So sorry to hear of Mary's passing. We have some wonderful memories of our hockey times with our sons and Mary was always a pleasant person to be around. Our thoughts and prayers to all of you. Gail Gnatek and family*

gail gnatek - March 16, 2012 at 04:09 PM

CK

“ Aunt Mary was the best Aunt in the world. There truly was no one like her. She lit up a room the minute she entered it. She always made me feel as special as she was to me. I have so many wonderful memories of her and I will cherish them always. My heart goes out to My Uncle Rodger; my cousins Marianne and Rodger and my Uncle Joe, her brother. Rest in Peace Aunt Mary! I will love you always my Sweet Aunt!

Cheryl M. King - March 16, 2012 at 04:01 PM

CK

“ Cheryl M. King lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary J. (Moccaldi) Pape



Cheryl M. King - March 16, 2012 at 03:51 PM

HD

“ I loved Mary, she was an angel here on earth, now back to heaven..I wonder who will be getting all of her shoes, she actually made a map of where they all were in her closet :-) she was and is truly one of the most amazing woman I have ever had the blessing of knowing.

Heather Delia - March 16, 2012 at 03:02 PM

MW

“ Dear Rodger, Marianne, and Rodger, you know our hearts are sad at losing our Mary, but her presence in our lives for 30+ years has created memories we will have to cherish. Her kindness to everyone, whether with a smile, kind word or home cooked meal has earned her heavenly reward. You can be assured of that. We are always here if you need anything. Love, Mary Rose and Gary

Mary Rose Werner - March 16, 2012 at 02:01 PM

LB

“ Lisa J. Blindenhofer lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary J. (Moccaldi) Pape



Lisa J. Blindenhofer - March 16, 2012 at 12:05 PM

SA

“ Sherri Ailiff lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary J. (Moccaldi) Pape



Sherri Ailiff - March 16, 2012 at 11:21 AM

SA

Our thoughts and prayers are with Marianne and family at this such difficult time. May God bless all of you.

Sherri Ailiff - March 16, 2012 at 11:26 AM

NS

I had the pleasure to meet a truly nice lady in Mary when her mom was a resident in the nursing home. When she came in my office she always had a smile on her face and a kind word to be said she always made my day. I was glad to help her in anyway I could as she was always greatful. She always left a candy with me or on my desk and I knew Mary was in the building. May you her family find comfort in the days ahead and know she is at peace.

Natalia Sitts - March 16, 2012 at 12:13 PM

KA

“ *Meeting Mary and learning of her love and support of family made us kindred spirits. She will be missed and our prayers are with the family. God's speed Mary*

Kathy and Peter Armstrong - March 15, 2012 at 07:21 PM

LR

“ *Our prayers and thoughts are with the family at this difficult time. We celebrate in the blessing to have known Mary and to have spent last Thanksgiving with her and Rodger. Her smile and warmth will be missed. Lisa, Doug, Lauren and Tom*

Lisa Robinson - March 15, 2012 at 06:29 PM

FA

“*Rodger and Family: Mary was such a wonderful woman and we were so very fond of her. Her presence lit up a room and she always had a story to tell us. We were always honored to be in her company. We are going to miss seeing her beautiful face. May God grant unto her eternal rest and may the memories of Mary comfort you and your family. Mary's spirit and love lives in all of you.*



*With love,
Frank, Melissa and Allison Acquaviva*

Frank, Melissa & Allison Acquaviva - March 15, 2012 at 05:47 PM

FA

“*Frank, Melissa & Allison Acquaviva lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary J. (Moccaldi) Pape*



Frank, Melissa & Allison Acquaviva - March 15, 2012 at 05:41 PM



Roger and Family, I am so sorry to hear of Mary's passing. She was a wonderful person, and will be missed dearly by all that knew her. Our Red Hat group won't be the same without her. But, I am glad she is not suffering anymore, and is now resting peacefully with the angels. If there is anything I can ever do for you, please let me know. My condolences to all of you.

Mary Theresa Bertke

Mary Bertke - March 15, 2012 at 09:54 PM