



Mary C. (Dispina) Longale

March 11, 1921 - January 11, 2013

Mary C. (Dispina) Longale, age 91, of Utica, affectionately known as “Gram” passed peacefully on Friday, January 11, 2013 at home with her family by her side.

She was born in Italy on March 11, 1921, the daughter of the late Vincent & Josephine Galati and was later raised and educated in Utica. Mary is best known as “Gram” to everyone as she opened her heart and home to all, acknowledging them as her “adopted family” and loved them as her own. Mary enjoyed spending time with her family and friends from babysitting, cooking, making hot tea, instilling love, honesty, and good morals, to playing card games and teasing you by putting you in a “headlock”. She simply enjoyed laughing and bonding with those in her life.

Mary is survived by her devoted daughter and son-in-law, Linda & Art Finster; devoted grandson and wife, Michael and Sheena Finster; her grandchildren whom she loved, Jennifer & Michael Crawford, Heather & Bob Wilson, Andrea Terrell (John), Sara & Ray Day-Howard, Nacole Rios, Angela Rios, Melito Rios Jr. and Shantel Davis; great grandchildren whom she cherished, JaJuan, Jalecia, Jalayla, Shante, Ashley, Cameron, RJ, Mitchell, Rayjon, Zara, Zakiya, Tre, Ontonio, Romany, Samarah and Gavin Jr. She is also survived by her honorary daughter, Maryann Terrell and many life long friends, those of whom were her extended family and she loved dearly, Lucy Talerico & Melito Rios Sr., Mary Rogowski, Dean Fettes & family, Kelly Dewolfe & family, and the Dickson family.

Mary is predeceased by her late husbands, Anthony Dispina, and Chet Longale; her son and daughter-in-law, Anthony & Delores Dispina; son-in-law and wife Don & Josephine Finster; life long friends Laura Talerico and Kenneth Ingerham; and her great great grandson, Michael Crawford Jr. The family wishes to thank the staff at the Hobart Street Clinic, Visiting Nurses Association, and Hospice & Palliative Care, Inc. for their support, kindness and empathy during this difficult time.

The family will honor and celebrate Mary's life in a private gathering at a later time. Arrangements have been entrusted to the Eannace Funeral Home, Inc., 932 South Street, corner of Hammond Ave.

Tribute Wall

SD

“ Sara Day lit a candle in memory of Mary C. (Dispina) Longale



sara day - January 22, 2013 at 06:30 AM

SD

gramma you will always be my sunshine i miss you so much!!!!

sara day - January 22, 2013 at 06:32 AM

PM

“ Patricia Mathey sent a virtual gift in memory of Mary C. (Dispina) Longale



Patricia Mathey - January 18, 2013 at 09:16 PM

SD

“ Sara Day lit a candle in memory of Mary C. (Dispina) Longale



sara day - January 16, 2013 at 08:19 PM

SD

missing you so much gram love you for ever and ever

sara day - January 16, 2013 at 08:20 PM



“ *Heather Wilson lit a candle in memory of Mary C. (Dispina) Longale*



Heather Wilson - January 15, 2013 at 09:40 PM



“ *Gram, My old geezer :) You've watched us grow, spanked our hineys & showed us love...I miss our talks, our countless hours of playing cards, but most of all our Sunday afternoons w/ grandma Laura.... Until we see each other again, All My Love ~ Heather*



Heather Wilson - January 15, 2013 at 09:39 PM

JE

“ *Jennifer lit a candle in memory of Mary C. (Dispina) Longale*



Jennifer - January 15, 2013 at 01:01 PM



“ *My condolences to Sara and the rest of the family. My heart and prayers go out to you all. Sorry for your loss.*

Sandra McAllister - January 14, 2013 at 11:10 AM



“ *Sandra McAllister lit a candle in memory of Mary C. (Dispina) Longale*



Sandra McAllister - January 14, 2013 at 11:07 AM



“ *Sara Day lit a candle in memory of Mary C. (Dispina) Longale*



sara day - January 14, 2013 at 08:55 AM



“ *gram i love you and miss you so much you are and always will be my heart. I will carry on everything you have taught me to my kids. I want you to rest and enjoy yourself in heaven me and andie wil make sure linda and mike are taken care of for you. It's not gonna be the same going home to visit without you there but i know you are always with me in my hart. We will have tea, play games, and eat some good home cooked food in honor of you. Ilove you very much and i when i get home im gonna chase everyone around and wack them with your slippers just for you :).....R.I.P gram luv ya*

sara day - January 14, 2013 at 08:54 AM

AT

make sure you put them in a headlock first!!!

andrea terrell - January 15, 2013 at 11:13 PM

AT

“ Gram, you are missed so much and will always be missed. I love you for ever and ever. Don't worry about Lin & Mike we are taking good care of them for you. We will for sure have tea and put each other in headlocks just for you. Hope you're having fun w/ gram Laura and the rest in that heavenly mansion.
Love always,
your Andie pandie

Andrea Terrell - January 13, 2013 at 08:57 PM



“ Kelly DeWolfe lit a candle in memory of Mary C. (Dispina) Longale



kelly DeWolfe - January 13, 2013 at 08:14 PM



“ Connie Fariello lit a candle in memory of Mary C. (Dispina) Longale



Connie Fariello - January 13, 2013 at 07:58 PM



Jenn, sorry for your loss, my prayers again are with you family. Love you.

Connie Fariello - January 13, 2013 at 07:59 PM

DF

“ *Dean Fettes lit a candle in memory of Mary C. (Dispina) Longale*



Dean Fettes - January 13, 2013 at 07:47 PM

AT

“ *Andrea Terrell lit a candle in memory of Mary C. (Dispina) Longale*



Andrea Terrell - January 13, 2013 at 07:40 PM

MK

“ *Mary Kaminski lit a candle in memory of Mary C. (Dispina) Longale*



Mary Kaminski - January 13, 2013 at 05:53 PM