



Rita Ann (Carucci) Wright

January 4, 1927 - September 13, 2008

Mrs. Rita Ann (Carucci) Wright, age 81, of Utica, passed away on Saturday, September 13, 2008 at Upstate Medical Center in Syracuse with her loving family by her side.

Born in Utica on January 4, 1927, Rita was the daughter of the late Peter and Congetta (Chirappa) Carucci. She was raised and educated locally. At one time Rita was married to Donald Ross, Sr. She was blessed with a second union to Robert E. "Bob" Wright, Sr.

During her working life, Rita was employed by the Oneita Knitting Mill as an inspector for 8 years. She left the workforce when she married and her primary focus became her family. She was the greatest mom, an 'angel on earth' with a beautiful, priceless smile and a warm sense of humor. Rita was the wings for her family and she gave them their strength. She enjoyed the simple things in life and never asked for or expected much. She enjoyed spending countless hours listening to light jazz on the radio, and she loved to shop with her family up until the time of her illness. She was devoted to her Catholic faith, and at one time she was a parishioner of St. Mary of Mt. Carmel/Blessed Sacrament Parish.

Rita is survived by her daughters and sons-in-law, Debbie and Rocco A. DePerno of N. Utica, and Donna and Calvin Watson of Blossvale, NY; her sons and daughter-in-law, Robert Wright, Jr. and fiancée Debbie Drummond of VA, and Donald, Jr. and Christine Ross of New Hartford; her grandchildren, Anthony DeFazio, Joseph DeFazio, Lori Monaco, Christina Monaco, Jonathan

Ross, Brandon Ross, and Zachary Wright; and her great-grandchildren, Michael Caputo, and Christopher Monaco. Her survivors also include her sisters and brothers-in-law, Mary and Angelo Gattuso of Santa Clarita, CA, and Joanie and Joseph Jacobs of Syracuse; many nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, cousins, and in-laws, Grace Sweet of Ballston Spa, and Matthew Niznik of Utica. She was predeceased by her sister and brother-in-law, Ann and Gabriel Cirasundo; and her in-laws, Frances J. and John A. Cardone, Marion Niznik, Faith Kozma, Kenneth Wright, Junior Wright, John Wright, and Harriet Spine.

The family extends heartfelt appreciation to the Senior Network staff and David for all the care and attention shown to Rita; Dr. Samuel Gooldy for his compassion throughout the years; and Jackie Bauer at the Charles T. Sitrin Rehabilitation Center.

In keeping with Rita's wishes, there will be no public visitation. By family request, please omit floral offerings. Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend her Mass of Christian Burial and Celebration of Life which will commence on Thursday afternoon at 1:00 at Our Lady of the Rosary Church in New Hartford. The family will receive visitors at the conclusion of Mass. For those wishing to do so, please consider memorial donations in Rita's honor to the American Heart Association; envelopes will be available at the service. Interment will take place at Calvary Cemetery at the convenience of the family. Services of comfort have been entrusted to the Eannace Funeral Home, Inc., 932 South St., corner of Hammond Ave.

Previous Events

Service

SEP **18**. 1:00 PM (ET)

Our Lady of the Rosary Church
1736 Burrstone Road
New Hartford, NY

Tribute Wall



“ Dear Momma, its been a little over a month and i still miss your smile and your touch. I miss taking of my lil Rita our lil talks our hours of taking care of you, i love you so much Mom. And now your looking down watching over me. I always knew this day would come, the hardest part of life is when you lose your loved one. But the best part of life is memories.....As hard as it is i get through everyday because of my faith knowing you went home to the lord, in his kingdom where there is no pain. My legecy of life now is living my life through you Mom. I know your looking down over me mom i know your watching me mom and saying you go Girl! Until we meet again your daughter, I love you and as you would say back to me i love you too.....Debbie###imported-begin###Daughter, Debbie###imported-end###

October 19, 2008 at 10:44 AM



“ We are so sorry to hear of the loss of your mother. You are in our prayers. My mother and brother and sisters send their condolences as well. Your mom was a very special person.###imported-begin###Ramiro and Emily DeTraglia###imported-end###

September 27, 2008 at 10:10 PM



“ My lil rita i miss you dearly. Mom and I would talk every morning, every afternoon and every evening and we would laugh on things you use to say, now just memories..... My Mom your daughter loved you more than life itself and in turn I love my Mom your daughter more than life itself as well. The way my mom feels about you i feel about her, she's my whole world like you were hers. I watched her take care of you to your final destination and now your at peace and one day i promised her i will take care of her, so she reaches her destination in peace. One day we will all meet again and until that day your "OUR ANGEL" on earth. So like you use to say to me when i use to come and visit and i was ready to leave ok I'll catch ya hon. You would never goodbye so this isn't a goodbye, love you gram, til we meet again your in my heart "Re".....love always your granddaughter, Lori xoxo###imported-begin##Granddaughter, Lori###imported-end##

September 21, 2008 at 12:11 PM



“ I am sorry to hear of Rita's passing. She was a very special person to me, and I enjoyed visiting with her. Christina, your grandmother loved (tina) so much and talked about your family all the time. Debbie there is a special place for you, for all that you have done for your mom. No more suffering for her, she is in a better place. I will never forget her. Love Ya Rita. (gina) as she always called me...!###imported-begin##Janene Sansone -Tirado###imported-end##

September 19, 2008 at 09:14 AM



“ Dear Debbie, Donna & family,
Please know that we are saddened for your loss but know you now have a beautiful "Angel" by your side. Our thought and prayers are with you and your families.
With Greatest Sympathy,
Ed, Robyn & Abbi Cooper###imported-begin###Cooper Family###imported-end###

September 18, 2008 at 05:05 PM



“ Dear Donna,

Jake and I are very sorry to hear about your mom. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

Love Phyllis###imported-begin###Dennis & Phyllis Jacobs###imported-end###

September 17, 2008 at 08:56 PM



“ I met Rita when she started seeing Bob. She always had a smile on her face and something funny to say. Being in Arizona, I haven't had the chance to see either of them in years, but can still remember that smile. She seemed to light up the people around her. Please accept my most sincere condolences on the loss of Rita.###imported-begin###Gene DiFondi###imported-end###

September 17, 2008 at 06:03 PM



“ Dear Grammy~We Miss You, We Love You...It has been very very very hard for me and us knowing were not able to take care of you anymore. Not being able to walk into your apt. to hug and kiss you and seeing your Beautiful smile that made us happy to be with you. I would always rub your back and put your lotion on that you loved so much and put your orange juice in the fridge like you liked it. I do know this, You are now in a place up above in a new peaceful journey of your Life. I know it has not been easy for any of us, but then we think of your Beautiful Face, Your kind HEART, Your tenderness, your touch of an ANGEL, Our laughs, our many many many years on earth together with you and we say lets do this for Grandma and it puts a smile on our faces. You can still light up my world, our worlds anyday, any moment of every breath we all take. We shared so many days and years together, when I was a little girl til present, we laughed, we cried, we loved shopping together, cooking and having dinner together and our quick lunches at Pizza Hut, I'm gonna miss when I used to pick you up and we would go for a ride in the car. I loved every moment of that and I will always cherish those Best Moments of your last days with us, and these memories will live on through the loving family forever and ever through everyone.

Gramma~ I can sit here all day and probably write a book on how precious you are to everyone.. We all know now that from inside your not suffering anymore, you went home to be with the good lord and to be with your Mother and father, The last couple of weeks I seen a different Grammy, the signs were there but we just thought you were tired and wanted to go to sleep at night. You will always be in our Hearts from the moment we get up to the moment we go to bed. I'm not going to say goodbye, I don't have to, You will live on forever and ever. And someday we will meet again and I can give you the biggest Hug ever.. With all of our Love always.

Love You Grammy~Tina, Michael and Christopher Hugs and Kisses
XO###imported-begin###Grand Daughter~Christina Monaco aka~
Tina###imported-end###

September 17, 2008 at 09:49 AM



“ *i will miss you we had a lot of laughs. you were like a mom thanks###imported-begin###joan frederick (aid and friend) presbytarin home new hartford###imported-end##*

September 17, 2008 at 06:54 AM



“ *Christina,
I'm so sorry for your loss. I, too, have experienced the feeling of having your Grandmother through your adult life and then having to say goodbye. Know that she is in a much better place; where there is no pain and suffering. My condolences to you and your family.
-Michele###imported-begin###Michele Arcuri-Lewis###imported-end##*

September 17, 2008 at 06:13 AM



“ *Rita if there were more people on earth like you the world would be a much better place you were the best mother in law a daughter in law could ask for.###imported-begin###Christine Ross###imported-end##*

September 16, 2008 at 09:57 PM



“ mom...
you were my rock & my whole life. every breathe i took every day.
on this journey, rest in peace mom. there will no more pain or
sorrow. until we meet again mom...i love you so much! god bless
you always mom!
love,
your daughter
debbie##imported-begin##debbie & rocco deperno##imported-
end##

September 16, 2008 at 08:57 PM



“ we love you mom and miss you very much. you will never be
forgotten!
love,
your baby boy and his wife##imported-begin##deborah drummond
& bobby wright##imported-end##

September 16, 2008 at 08:48 PM



“ Debbie and Family ~
So sorry for your loss. Your Mom was a wonderful woman and we
always will remember her terrific personality. Our thoughts and
Prayers are with you in this time of sorrow.##imported-begin##The
DeMichele Family##imported-end##

September 15, 2008 at 10:43 AM