



Theresa M. (DeMichele) Zennamo

March 19, 1929 - August 5, 2009

Mrs. Theresa M. (DeMichele) Zennamo, age 80, of Utica, passed away on Wednesday, August 5, 2009 at the Heritage Healthcare Center with the love and support of her family.

Born in Utica on March 19, 1929, Theresa was the daughter of the late Francesco "Frank" and Josephine "Antoinette" (Ruggiero) DeMichele. She was raised and educated locally. At one time, she was married to Mathew Zennamo.

During her working days, Theresa was employed by the Sitruie Paper Plant, the Oneita Knitting Mills, and at one time, she also held a position at the General Electric Radio Receiver Plant on Bleecker St. A woman of high morals and strong values, she instilled these virtues in her family and grandchildren who were the light of her life. Affectionately known to her family as "cat eyes", her loving heart was enhanced by her lovely smile. She carried on holiday traditions for her family, complete with homemade pasta, and other culinary delights, including her famous Italian honey cookies- a tradition she was proud was continued by her family in her later years. She looked forward to her daily gathering of her Mohawk Street neighbors at McDonalds. She enjoyed the sport of bowling and was a former member of the Pintoplers. One of her favorite pastimes was picking dandelions. She was a parishioner of St. Anthony & St. Agnes Church.

Theresa is survived by her daughters and sons-in-law, Cynthia Marie Lubas of Utica, Diane and John Langone of Whitesboro, and Theresa Ann and Michael

Licari of Rome; her son and daughter-in-law, Mathew James, Jr. and Joan Zennamo of Utica; and her grandchildren, Jason Patrick Lubas, and Deanna Marie Licari. Survivors also include her sister, Nancy Russo of Utica; several nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, cousins, sisters-in-law, Mary Jane Zennamo, and Edith Langone; and her friends, Marie and Dick Ambruso, and her childhood friend, Flora DeFazio. She was predeceased by her sister and brother-in-law, Donna and Joseph Zennamo; and her brother, Dominick DeMichele.

The family holds heartfelt appreciation for Dr. Joseph Booth and all the physicians and staff who attended to Theresa throughout the years. Visitation will be held Sunday from 1:00-4:00 at the Eannace Funeral Home, Inc., 932 South St., corner of Hammond Ave. By family request, please omit floral offerings. For those wishing to do so, please consider memorial donations in Theresa's honor to "Your Neighbors, Inc." volunteer support service; envelopes will be available at the funeral home. Theresa's funeral service will commence on Monday morning at 9:30 from the funeral home and at 10:30 at St. Anthony & St. Agnes Church where her Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated. Entombment will take place in Calvary Cemetery Mausoleum at the convenience of the family.

Tribute Wall



“ Eannace Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Theresa M. (DeMichele) Zennamo



Eannace Funeral Home, Inc. - August 05, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ Dearest mother,
I thought the events of the past 2 years would prepare me for the inevitable. i was wrong. I have been left with a hole in my heart, which grows larger with each passing day. The only justification is that you can finally find the physical and mental peace that life on Earth deprived you. Rest now and be proud of the legacy of good-moral ethics, values, and traditions you practiced and preached. Everything "we" planned was executed with perfection and elegance. You would be proud of the responses, especailly the respect of the "old" neighborhood children and friends. Watch over and guide us until we reunite someday.
Your loving daughter,
Diane.

I love you##imported-begin##Diane##imported-end##

August 17, 2009 at 11:59 PM



“ *grandma, I miss you already. It almost doesn't seem real that I will not see you again. I know we will meet again but it is still hard. I will always love you and you will always be in my heart. You were and will continue to be a great lady. God keeps the best company that's how I know you are with him.##imported-begin##Deanna##imported-end##*

August 12, 2009 at 12:13 PM



“ Mom,
I hope I have made you proud of me. There are not enough words I could express as I tried to put my feelings on paper to say in God's house. A piece of my heart will now always be missing and the only comfort I have is that I know you will watch over me.

The Summer of 2009: Overwhelmed with emotions of a dying parent, I flashback to the movie in my mind.

The First Scene: Our family dynamics while being human.

Next: The needs and wants of those family dynamics.

The Main Character: Our Mother and Her Driving Force.

*Her Character: She gave us life – a good life:
One filled with values and morals
She taught us to stand on our own two feet*

*Her Legacy: Her great cooking and gardening skills
Her Italian Holiday traditions
Her meaning of sacrifice and strength to persevere even when
in pain*

And too always smile

*The Closing Chapter: As sad as it is, I know will continue to shape
our lives.*

*Now the Closing Concludes : Some of the family dynamics don't
seem as important but the positive tributes remain.*

*Even though we all lead separate lives, we will continue to embrace
the lessons you taught.*

Heaven is fortunate to have you as you continue to watch over us .

I believe it would mean a lot to Mom to have my siblings and her grandchildren share in God's house a thank you to her for the love and guidance she gave.

Thank you; Mom. We are forever grateful, we love you and will miss you.

**Of course Deanna helped me put the finishing touches on this!
Please bless her and watch over her too!##imported-begin##Your
loving daughter, Theresa Ann##imported-end##*

August 11, 2009 at 11:28 PM



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August 11, 2009 at 11:24 PM



“ My sincere condolences to Matt, Joan and the entire family.##imported-begin##Michael Proite##imported-end##

August 10, 2009 at 01:26 PM



*“ To the Zennamo family; Our deepest sympathy in your loss.
Tony(little Nino) & Maryann Spina
Mooresville NC##imported-begin##Anthony & Maryann Spina##imported-end##*

August 09, 2009 at 11:33 PM



“ Diane, So sorry to hear about the loss of your mother. Your family is in my prayers. Lynne DeBernardis-Gonzalez##imported-begin##Lynne DeBernardis Gonzalez##imported-end##

August 09, 2009 at 11:35 AM



“ Our deepest sympathy goes to Theresa, Michael, and Deanna for the loss of your loved one. You were very dedicated to your mother's care. She was very lucky to have you by her side at such a difficult time.##imported-begin##Kate and Jim LaPaglia##imported-end##

August 07, 2009 at 09:06 PM



“ To Matt, Joan and family;
Our deepest sympathy.
Carol and Phil Scampone##imported-begin##Carol
Scampone##imported-end##

August 07, 2009 at 03:57 PM



“ i hate myself for not giving you water when you you where begging for it but the doctors said i couldnt im so sorry i didnt know what to do why did i let them tell me what to do that was your last last wish from me im sorry you always taught me that health was every thing i remember everyy thing you ever told me and you were right im not listening to no one from now on i should have never denied you im sorry##imported-begin##jason##imported-end##

August 06, 2009 at 10:57 PM



“ you know iv never been good at expressing myself but you always under stood your the only one who allways forgave me me no matter how mutch i messes up with open arms some ill make you proud . i wish i did it sooner so you could see but i know you will allway's be watching i will alway remember you you will always be close to my heart im sorry i didnt see you that last day it was hurting me so mutch to see you you suffer but now your at peace and with me know matter where im at im sorry for not spending more time with you watching you getting ill was tearing me apart nomatter how mutch i tried to stay strong i love for ever ill always be thinking of you and each and every time i close my eyes il see you bye for now ill see you soon###imported-begin###jason lubas###imported-end##

August 06, 2009 at 08:59 PM



“ i love you grammy gram see you again some day###imported-begin###Jason lubas###imported-end##

August 06, 2009 at 06:54 PM