



Mrs. Victoria Rose "Vicki" (Suppa) Perritano

September 17, 1929 - March 27, 2026

E. UTICA – Mrs. Victoria Rose “Vicki” (Suppa) Perritano — beloved wife, mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother — entered her eternal reward on Friday morning, March 27, 2026. Not only in life, but also during her final journey, she was never without her family’s love, thoughts, and prayers. She experienced the gift of 96½ years.

Born in Utica on September 17, 1929, Victoria was the daughter of the late Frank Jr. and Marion (Pirritano) Suppa. She attended Mount Carmel School and in 1943, she moved forward to T.R. Proctor High School, graduating with the Class of 1947.

Vicki was united in marriage on May 28, 1949, to “my first, my one and only love,” Salvatore J. Perritano, Sr.—a union that lasted nearly 27 years until Salvie’s unexpected death on January 23, 1976. From this marriage came their four wonderful sons: Salvatore Jr., Francis, Robert, and John. Vicki honored her vows and her commitment to Salvie for over 50 years after his passing, knowing one day she would finally be reunited with the boy from Blandina Street who stole her heart on their first date.

Vicki was a stay-at-home mother until March 1969 when she began working for the County of Oneida in the Purchasing Department. In June 1969, she set out on her professional path with the City of Utica in the Purchasing

Department for four years, before being employed in the Assessor's Office until her retirement. In September 1993, Vicki was named City Assessor, the first woman to be appointed to that position, of which she was incredibly proud.

A woman who found joy in life's simple pleasures, she especially relished time spent with family and preparing meals that brought everyone together. The kitchen was truly her domain; no one dared touch her stove (or any appliances in the house for that matter!), nor were they ever allowed to bring a dish of their own. She took great pride in doing it all herself, often preparing feasts of several different dishes. Everything Vicki made—especially her meatballs—was a delectable masterpiece. She cooked with an instinct that no cookbook could ever teach, nor could it ever be duplicated. Dessert was never an afterthought. There were always her famous chocolate pusties—made only in batches of 90+, — along with cookies, cakes, cupcakes, and pies—not just one, but seven or eight, from chocolate to vanilla and everything in between. And don't forget the Cool Whip! Her home was always open, with a standing invitation to all—no call or warning ever needed—because she was always ready to welcome anyone who walked through her door with warmth, laughter, and a bountiful table.

Her presence was a steady source of love and guidance for every member of her family. She never held back, always telling it exactly how it was—or at least how she saw it—which, more often than not, proved to be right. Her advice and wisdom seemed to weave their way into every conversation, leaving a lasting impression. Her selflessness was truly boundless; she wanted nothing more than for each of her loved ones to live a happy and fulfilling life, and she made quiet sacrifices along the way to help every single one of them achieve that.

Vicki's faith was truly the cornerstone of her life, guiding her through both joy

and hardship with unwavering trust in God. Even in moments of deep loss, when she struggled and questioned, she ultimately turned back to her faith, finding strength and peace in the Lord that sustained her. Her devotion was not passive—it was lived daily through prayer, service, and an active role in her parish. Mount Carmel Church was far more than a place she attended; it was her second home, a community she loved and served, and a source of comfort that she held most sacred. She was a Eucharistic Minister for more than 20 years and served morning Masses during the week. In December 2016, she was awarded the Immaculata Medallion by Bishop Robert Cunningham in recognition of her “extraordinary service” to her parish. In July 2021, she received a Certificate of Appreciation from the Rev. James Cesta for countless hours of service to God and her Church.

She was blessed to retain her sharp mind and clarity of spirit until the very end, a gift that allowed those who cherished her most to share truly meaningful time together. In those final days, they gathered often, sharing love, laughter, and tears while reflecting on a life that was long and well lived. With her characteristic honesty and warmth, she offered each loved one a final piece of advice, speaking from the heart and reassuring them that she had loved them every single day of their lives. She expressed deep gratitude for the life she had been given, taking comfort in the family she cherished and the many memories they created together.

Just over a year prior to her passing, when being interviewed by her son, Fran, for an article for the parish’s publication “More Good News,” Vicki was asked what she hoped her legacy would be... she responded: “To be honest, I never thought about it — having a legacy. I would just like my family, and friends — if they’re still alive — to remember me for anything that I may have done to help someone. I know I’ve helped a few people by just talking to and being there for them. Being a very social individual, it is my hopes that my

family would take after me just a little bit to do what I've done. I would like to think I made a difference in the little things I did.”

Vicki has bestowed her love and wisdom to her children: son, Salvatore J., Jr. and Marie Perritano and his children — Amy Lynn (Perritano) and Steven Eddy and their son, Joseph, and Salvatore G. and Carmen Perritano and her children, Spencer and Alexis, and Leah; son, Francis and Kathleen Perritano and their family — David Perritano, Ryan and Tianna Perritano and their children, Jaelyn, Nicholas, Reyna, and Karina, Matthew and Megan Perritano, and Scott and Nicolette Perritano and their children, Santino and Luciana; Robert Perritano and his feline family — J.R., Jada, Atari, Gojira, Miyagi, and Dallas; and John Perritano and Karen Parent. Vicki also wished to acknowledge her nieces and nephews: Judy Lee and her daughters, Linda Lee Betrus her husband Joseph Betrus, and Lori Lee Stenske and her husband Craig Stenske; Francis and Marianne Lee and his children, Tricia Lee, CarolAnn and Michael D'Accurzio and their family, and Mary Frances and Todd Carville and their family; MaryAnn Suppa, Sandra and Pasquale Mungari and their children, Dr. Joseph and Amy Mungari and their family, and Jackie and John Vitullo and their family. She additionally leaves behind her treasured niece who was like a granddaughter, Melissa Cardillo Daniels and her husband, Derek, and their son, Ben; as well as numerous additional nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews and cousins of the Perritano, Suppa and Padula families.

Vicki was predeceased by her siblings, Frank Suppa III and his wife Marietta and their children Frank Suppa IV, and Marion and Richard Cardillo; Elizabeth and Gilbert Lee and their son Carmen, and daughter-in-law Frances; Peter and Edith Suppa and their son and daughter-in-law Gerald and Marie Suppa; in-laws, Anthony and Rosaria Perritano and their children; also, a very precious niece, Lynda Padula and her husband, Dennis, and nephew, Peter Perritano. Finally, Vicki wishes to acknowledge her beloved pets who

preceded her through the years: canines, Scruffy, and Toby; and felines, Groucho, Cheerio, Yoda, Angel, Vader, Ewok, and Thumbelina.

Fulfilling Vicki's wishes, she will repose as relatives and friends gather to say their farewells, reflect on cherished memories, and embrace her family with love on Monday evening, April 6, 2026, from 4:00–6:00 p.m. at the Eannace Funeral Home, Inc., 932 South St., corner of Hammond Ave.

In lieu of floral offerings, it would be Vicki's desire that any memorial contributions in her memory be made to Mount Carmel Church online at mountcarmelblessedsacrament.com/donate or by mail to 648 Jay St., Utica, NY 13501; envelopes will also be available at the funeral home.

Vicki's family expresses their sincere thanks to the staffs of the 5th Floor East at Wynn Hospital, especially Nakia and Ermina, and the MVHS Rehabilitation and Nursing Center for their care and compassion.

With hearts full of gratitude, Vicki's family warmly invites all to attend her Mass of Christian Burial on Tuesday morning, April 7, 2026, at 10:00 a.m. at St. Mary of Mt. Carmel/Blessed Sacrament Parish, 648 Jay St., where her life will be celebrated in faith and remembrance. For those unable to attend, you may be present virtually at https://youtu.be/9ljE7xTrR6I?si=VSTAEMnKeiDLXG_J. Interment will take place in Calvary Cemetery alongside her beloved Salvie.

And as she always concluded her conversations, "And that's the story."

Cemetery Details

Calvary Cemetery

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

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 6. 4:00 PM - 6:00 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>

Funeral Service

APR 7. 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Mary of Mt. Carmel/Blessed Sacrament Parish
648 Jay Street
Utica, NY 13501
(315) 735-1482
<https://www.mountcarmelblessedsacrament.com/>

Tribute Wall

FP

“ I just learned the passing of Aunt Vicky, while visiting the family Graves. My sympathy to her family. Aunt Vicky Rest In Peace. Your Niece, Francine Perritano

Francine Perritano - May 22 at 11:44 AM

LJ

“ Our condolences to Scott and Family. You are in our thoughts and prayers

lorraine jweid - April 07 at 11:29 AM

RP

“ Dear Perritano Family,

Rob and I feel truly blessed to have known Vicki. Her warmth and genuine spirit touched everyone around her. In this difficult time, we hope you find comfort in the cherished memories you hold of her, bringing light to even the darkest days. Please know that our thoughts and prayers are with you all.

Rob and Sue Palmieri - April 06 at 07:09 PM

EP

“ Please accept our sincere condolences during this difficult time !

Emil Paparella - April 06 at 03:58 PM

GF

“ *May you rest in peace and joined my your loved ones in heaven. God Bless you ! Love Marie and Madison Golding*



Golding family - April 02 at 11:22 AM

GO

“ *Gary Ollerenshaw lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Victoria Rose "Vicki" (Suppa) Perritano*



Gary Ollerenshaw - April 01 at 08:48 PM

SZ

“ *I want to extend my sorrow to the whole family. Ur mother worked for me in City Hall purchasing. A loving friend thru the years. We both went thru a lot. My thoughts are with here in SC where we have moved. Sandy Zamorski*

Sandra Zamorski - April 01 at 04:30 PM

DE

“ *My great Aunt Vicki. You will be missed. So much love, your Little Dennis, II.*

Dennis - March 31 at 08:50 PM

AE



Amy Eddy - April 01 at 07:36 AM

ML

“ Fran: My condolences. I remember well the pasties your mother made that you shared at work. Delicious. Regards, Marty Lyons

Marty Lyons - March 31 at 11:25 AM

CS

“ First becoming friends with Salvie, he told me about the "Christmas list" his Grandmother held for people to call and see if a particular gift was available. I remember calling her fir the first time, reminding her of who I was and needed to find out if a gift was on "the list". I remember her laughing, then harder when she told me the present wasn't checked off yet. Great memory for me.

Cynthia Seymour - March 27 at 07:25 PM

AC

My deepest condolences to Scott and family. You are in my thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.

Angela Carter - April 03 at 07:20 PM

GL

We will remember Vicki with love and admiration. What a beautiful obituary! Our condolences to all members of her loving family.

Gary and Jeanne LaBella - April 05 at 01:27 PM