



Mrs. Yolanda (Battista) Cavo

February 16, 1927 - June 27, 2019

UTICA - Mrs. Yolanda (Battista) Cavo, age 92, passed away on Thursday, June 27, 2019 at the Presbyterian Home for Central NY with her loving family by her side.

Born in Cetara, Provincia di Salerno, Italy, Yolanda was the daughter of Raffaele and Rosa Battista. She was raised and educated in Italy. From the very young age of seven and until she came to America, she ran the family fruit market. On October 23, 1949 she married Sam Cavo. As was common in their generation, a husband would embark on emigration to America first to establish roots. On May 5, 1951 Yolanda came to the United States along with her daughter Joann to join her husband who set up a new life for them after settling in Utica. Sam passed away on May 26, 1996 after sharing 46 blessed years with Yolanda.

For Yolanda, her priority in life was always meeting the needs of her family and raising her children. In her later years when the children were older, she joined the workforce by holding employment with the General Electric Company/Radio Receiver Plant; UNIVAC, and lastly with St. Elizabeth Hospital in the Dietary Department, the position from which she retired. A loving matriarch, Yolanda was unyielding in her efforts to provide a comfortable home and a happy home life for her loved ones because they were paramount in her life. Her family will remember her generosity in giving thoughtful gifts baked with love on occasions and holidays. Family and friends came to look forward to her tomato pie, strufoli, and Easter bread along with

her cookies. A master in the kitchen, she was a fantastic cook and baker; the gatherings she hosted were memorable, and Sunday dinners were phenomenal, and you never left hungry or without a package of leftovers. She also held many fond memories of her gatherings with her "Club 10" group. She was also a talented seamstress and gardener, and she was a caregiver to anybody in need. She was the quintessential 'neighborhood mom', ready and willing to help. Yolanda was proud of her Italian heritage, and was equally proud to be an American. She was grateful for all this country offered her and that it welcomed her with open arms as an immigrant. With the help of her children she learned to read, write and speak English. On August 24, 1965 Yolanda pledged her oath of citizenship and was forever grateful to the American soldiers who liberated Italy during WWII. Yolanda was very religious and relied on her Catholic faith for directing her life. She was a communicant of St. Mary of Mt. Carmel/Blessed Sacrament Parish where she was fond of helping during the annual festival activities, especially volunteering her time in the kitchen making pizza frita.

Yolanda is survived by her daughters and their loves, Joann and Bradley Campbell, Rose O'Toole, and Maria and Dana Mrzlikar; her son, Vincent J. Cavo; and remembering her infant son, Vincenzo who preceded her; her grandchildren, Adrienne and Elliott Haase; Regina and Richard Baker, Katrina and Gary Kozlowski, Shawn O'Toole and his wife Dr. Teresa Martorella; Samuel and Sara Cavo, Ally Cavo, and Vincent Cavo, Jr.; great-grandchildren, Samantha, Sophia, Ricky; Owen; Vincent, Arianna; and a new great-granddaughter expected in September. She also leaves her sisters and brother-in-law, Angela Capomaccio, Vincenza Esposito, and Elena Esposito, Genoveffa Pappalardo, Rosa and Miguel Lau; nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, and cousins, both here and in Italy; in-laws, Maddalena Battista, Mary Colucci, Raffaele and Fiorina Cavo all of Utica, and Rita Cavo, and Giovanna and Sabito Longobardo of Italy. She was predeceased by 3 infant siblings; her brother Pasquale; sisters and brothers-in-law, Orsola, Teresa and Alfonso, Maria and Innocenzo "Nunzio", Giuseppina and Alfonso,

and Mafalda and Francesco; in-laws, including Michael Colucci, Carmen Cavo, Francis Capomaccio, Vincenzo Esposito, Alfonso Esposito, Giuseppe Pappalardo; and her special nephew, Vincent “Vinjay” Cavo.

The family extends their gratitude to the staff of the Cedar Unit at the Presbyterian Home; and Dr. Scott Brehaut and Dr. Roger Breslow for the compassionate care rendered to Yolanda.

There will be no public visitation. By family request, please omit floral offerings. Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend Yolanda’s funeral service and Celebration of Life which will commence on Wednesday at 12:00 noon at St. Mary of Mt. Carmel/Blessed Sacrament Parish where her Mass of Christian Burial will be offered. Entombment will follow in Calvary Cemetery Mausoleum.

Cemetery Details

Calvary Mausoleum

2407 Oneida Street
Utica, Ny

Previous Events

Funeral Service

JUL 3. 12:00 PM (ET)

St. Mary of Mount Carmel / Blessed Sacrament Parish
648 Jay St
Utica, NY 13501
(315) 735-1482

Tribute Wall

YD

“ *Yolanda Dischiavo lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Yolanda (Battista) Cavo*



Yolanda Dischiavo - July 06, 2021 at 12:13 PM

YD

“ *Love you zizi Love you always your niece Yolanda*



Yolanda Dischiavo - May 15, 2021 at 10:03 AM

YD

“ *zizi,
Thinking about you today as I often do. I am proud to be your name sake. I love you and will forever hold the beautiful memories in my heart. You will always be in my heart zizi, love you always and forever your niece yolanda*



Yolanda Dischiavo - April 03, 2021 at 12:19 PM

YD

“ *Yolanda Dischiavo lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Yolanda (Battista) Cavo*



Yolanda Dischiavo - February 09, 2021 at 09:22 AM

YD

“ *Love you and thinking of you. You are always and forever in my heart.*



Yolanda M Dischiavo - October 22, 2020 at 10:15 AM

YD

“ *Yolanda M Dischiavo lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Yolanda (Battista) Cavo*



Yolanda M Dischiavo - September 04, 2020 at 10:35 AM

YD

“ *Yolanda M Dischiavo lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Yolanda (Battista) Cavo*



Yolanda M Dischiavo - August 12, 2020 at 08:59 AM

YD

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Yolanda Dischiavo - May 23, 2020 at 11:25 AM

YD

“ *Yolanda Dischiavo lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Yolanda (Battista) Cavo*



Yolanda Dischiavo - May 06, 2020 at 08:14 AM

YD

“ *Yolanda Dischiavo lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Yolanda (Battista) Cavo*



Yolanda Dischiavo - April 03, 2020 at 01:23 PM

YD

“ *I love you*



Yolanda Dischiavo - March 14, 2020 at 03:54 AM

YD

“ *Yolanda Dischiavo lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Yolanda (Battista) Cavo*



Yolanda Dischiavo - February 09, 2020 at 12:49 AM

YD

“ *I love you*



Yolanda Dischiavo - February 03, 2020 at 05:02 PM

YD

“ *Yolanda Dischiavo lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Yolanda (Battista) Cavo*



Yolanda Dischiavo - February 01, 2020 at 04:54 PM

YD

“ *I miss you.my name sake. I am proud to carry your name. I love you*



Yolanda Dischiavo - January 29, 2020 at 07:16 AM

YD

“ Love you



Yolanda Dischiavo - December 07, 2019 at 10:23 AM

YD

“ Merry Christmas zizi



Yolanda Dischiavo - December 01, 2019 at 08:32 AM

YD

“ Yolanda Dischiavo lit a candle in memory of
Mrs. Yolanda (Battista) Cavo



Yolanda Dischiavo - September 25, 2019 at 08:06 PM

YD

“ Zizi,
I love you.

Yolanda Dischiavo - September 25, 2019 at 08:04 PM

YD

“ Love you zi zi I think about you everyday.



yolanda dischiavo - September 15, 2019 at 09:49 AM

YD

“ Love you zizi❤️



Yolanda Dischiavo - September 05, 2019 at 07:35 AM

YD

“ I love you aunt Yolanda. You are in my heart always.



Yolanda Dischiavo - August 30, 2019 at 05:22 PM

YD

“ Love you zizi



Yolanda Dischiavo - July 18, 2019 at 10:06 AM

YD

“ Yolanda Dischiavo lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Yolanda (Battista) Cavo



Yolanda Dischiavo - July 09, 2019 at 10:47 AM

RB

“ To the Cavo family and former neighbors...my deepest condolences. Your mom was a wonderful woman and I am certain she is enjoying her garden and kitchen in heaven. I will NEVER forget how she helped my mom make almond paste cookies for my sisters wedding (Diana) and exchanged prize zucchini from her garden! Richard Bollana.

Richard A Bollana - July 06, 2019 at 09:40 PM

KJ

“ Maria and Dana, our condolences to you and the rest of your family as you grieve the passing of your mother. We are sorry for your lost. We love you and we will continue to lift you up in prayer. Hamerton & Kerisha.

Kerisha Jeanty - July 03, 2019 at 06:39 AM

SH

“ To our lifelong friends, The Cavo's, words can not describe how we feel about your mother. Memories are deep and always good- summers playing kickball, listening to The Beatles, the endless laughter and of course the food. May your beautiful mother Rest In Peace. All our love always, The Haritos family.

Stef, Nina and Mike Haritos - July 02, 2019 at 02:35 PM

MA

“ Joann and family we were sorry to hear of your mother’s death. I think dementia is even harder to go through than any disease you can get. May god give you strength to endure. Tony and Kathy marchese

marchese - July 02, 2019 at 11:00 AM

DG

“ Maria and Dana...We are so sorry for the passing of your mother.. Our prayers are with your family. I didnt know her, but she sure seemed like a remarkable and devoted woman. Always hold your memories close as she will always be with you..our deepest sympathies
Denise & Jim Giruzzi
And family

Denise Giruzzi - July 02, 2019 at 08:16 AM

SB

“ This obituary is a beautiful tribute to a remarkable woman. I can feel how special and loved she was. I am truly sorry for your loss. You are in my thoughts and prayers. Stephanie Barkin

Stephanie Barkin - July 02, 2019 at 06:41 AM

FW

“ MY DEAR JOANN, BRAD, MADDELENA AND ALL OF YOUR FAMILY; I AM SO SORRY FOR THE PASSING OF MY FRIEND YOLANDA. SHE WAS A WONDERFUL WOMAN. HER SMILE WAS SO INVITING AND TRUE, AND THE WAY THAT SHE CARED FOR OTHERS WAS WONDERFUL. HER TRUE ACCENT, REMINDED ME SO MUCH OF MY OWN GRANDPARENTS, OF WHOM I LOST AT AN EARLY AGE. MY PRAYERS ARE WITH ALL OF YOU, AND YOU KNOW THAT GOD HAS HEALED HER, AND BROUGHT HER HOME WITH HIM; THE BLESSED MOTHER WILL WATCH OVER ALL OF US, AND YOLANDA WILL GIVE HER ALL THE NAMES OF THOSE THAT SHE LOVED SO DEARLY.. FLO



FIORINDA B. WILSON - June 30, 2019 at 09:57 PM

JH

“ To Joann Rosie Marie and Vincent so sorry for your loss. I will miss my zia yolanda. I have many fond memories when we were young getting together as one big family.i remember playing poking for hours. Always a lot of people and a lot of food. We were all so close back then.I remember your mom making our own little Easter bread. I always wanted to sleep over on sundays because your dad took you to McDonald's . I believe hambergs were .18 cents.Many fond memories of the pool in the back yard. Your mom brought me to fine arts studio for my communion picture which I still have today. What I felt since your passing is that you are with the rest of the family and with your husband again .I love you zizi Rest In Peace your niece joann

joann haley - June 30, 2019 at 09:10 PM

SC

“ We are so sorry to hear of your moms passing. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all. Jim and Sally Calhoun

sally calhoun - June 30, 2019 at 04:11 PM

JA

“ A wonderful women. I'll remember her warm smile. She always cared more about her family and friends than she did about herself. I will miss her.

Joe Ambrose - June 30, 2019 at 03:59 PM

YD

“ Zi Zi Yolanda,
My memories of you will forever remain in my heart. My childhood memories and into my adult years all include you. I cherish these beautiful memories and all the happy times we had. I carry the name Yolanda with pride and a deep love in my heart for the aunt I am named after. I know that Uncle Sam, my dad and mom, my brother vin and your mom and dad were all there at heavens gate to welcome you. I know you are safe in their loving arms. A piece of my heart is there with you zizi. Joann, Maria, Rose, Vin and family. My thoughts and prayers are with you all during this difficult time. I know the emptiness of losing your mom is unbearable. She is safe in your dad's arms. Zizi rest in peace give everyone a kiss from me. I will love you always and you will forever remain in my heart
Love you your niece Yolanda



Yolanda Dischiavo - June 29, 2019 at 08:16 PM