



Maryanne Casano

April 3, 1939 - May 20, 2020

Albany-Maryanne Finocchi Casano, 81, entered Eternal Life Wednesday at her home, May 20, 2020. Born in Amsterdam, NY she was the daughter of Vincenzo “James” and Genevieve “Jenny” Aldi Finocchi. She was married to A. Andrew Casano, MD in 1968 and they were together until 1987.

Maryanne graduated from Wilbur H. Lynch High School and was a beloved and dedicated mother and grandmother.

She was the loving mother of Aaron A. Casano of Ridgefield, CT, Adrienne A. Casano of Albany, NY, Annelise A. Casano (Doney) of Atlanta, GA, Andréa A. Casano of New York, NY and Alexis A. Casano-Antonellis (Jessica) of Hastings-on Hudson, NY; adored grandmother (Mimi) of Lola Casano, Preston Casano, Benjamin Casano-Doney, Romeo Casano-Antonellis and Francesco Casano-Antonellis; sister of the late Vincent Finocchi, Angelo Finocchi and Richard Finocchi; she is survived by brother-in-law David (Diane) Casano; sisters-in-law Sally Robilotto Finocchi and Amy Finocchi and several nieces and nephews. In addition to her parents, she was predeceased by sister Rita and brother Joseph Finocchi.

Mimi was known for her creativity, imagination, her love for children and animals and for her wicked sense of humor. Mimi welcomed all children with an open heart and encouraged them to create who they wanted to be. She did not just raise her own five children but an extended tribe of many more, some she was vocal about liking more than the ones she gave birth to. She loved nothing more than having that tribe, most called her Momma C, in her home as children, gossiping with them as teens and watching them grow into adults with families of their own. She loved to introduce all children to her passions by singing them her favorite James Taylor songs, letting them play with her best friend Maya, a black lab, scaring them by planting her unusual dolls all over the house and

introducing them to her favorite holiday, April Fool's Day. She made sure that in the last few years many children became aware of Julio Iglesias and his many talents. She was supportive of everyone including the economy, Amazon will miss her terribly. She had developed quite a following on Facebook due to her sharp wit and memes, reaching yet another audience of admirers. Mimi was an original and a second mother to many souls who needed her. Her home was a revolving door of happiness, but she let you know when it was time to leave because Law and Order was on. She lived life on her own terms and taught every child who walked through her door to do the same. She was loved and will be greatly missed but she left behind memories, smiles, humor, and grace that will be carried through generations.

Contrary to a conclusive DNA test, Mimi insisted that she was of Native American descent; those who wish to remember her in a special way may send a contribution in lieu of flowers to St. Joseph's Indian School P.O. Box 326 Chamberlain, SD 57326.

To leave a special message for the family, please visit www.McveighFuneralHome.com

Comments



“ Years ago, myself and another friend of Aaron's broke in to the kitchen in the wee hours of the morning ... to cook a roast we had purchased at the Price Chopper around the corner after a night of drinking. Mama C threw us out with grace and love, and as much aplomb as could possibly be mustered at that hour, in those circumstances.

She is greatly missed, and lovingly remembered.

Nick Landess - June 19, 2020 at 03:08 PM



“ Mamma C was always there for me growing up without my mother around. The kitchen was joy, the hugs strong and loving, and she always had time to listen. The wry smile and the devilish grin made her home such a magical place. I love you and miss you. - Toddsie

Todd E. Hoffman - June 01, 2020 at 06:48 PM



“ Condolences to all of Maryanne's children and to their many friends who found comfort, friendship and love in the open doors of her home. I remember Maryanne as a leader of a virtual Village of Mothers who helped raise and love quite a great crew of friends through high school and well beyond. Jim Sevinsky

james sevinsky - June 01, 2020 at 12:51 PM



“ We are so sorry for your loss. The loss of a mother is one that cannot be compared. She sounds as though she was a very special lady. Please accept our condolences and know your family is in our thoughts and prayers. Gerry and Suzanne Senesac

Suzanne Senesac - June 01, 2020 at 08:44 AM



“ Very Sorry For Your Loss
Jordan Puig

Jordan Puig - May 31, 2020 at 09:26 PM



“ I didn't know Maryanne well but whenever I saw her she gave me a big hug and seemed so happy to see me, she obviously liked people and her warmth came shining through, I was sorry to here of her passing.
Love, Susan Lanzetta

Susan Lanzetta - May 31, 2020 at 12:11 PM



“ So sorry for your loss. She was a good friend. She was one of a kind. I enjoyed her company. So many good memories over the years of Maryanne and you all. I will miss her.

Love always Lizanne Jones

Lizanne Jones - May 31, 2020 at 11:03 AM



“ Sending heartfelt condolences to all. I have wonderful memories of my parent/teacher relationship with MaryAnnn when I taught her girls at AAG. She will be missed.

Maryanne Harper - May 31, 2020 at 09:01 AM



“ I am so sorry for your loss. I will always remember her great smile!

Betsy Hamel - May 30, 2020 at 08:55 AM



“ Mary Ann and I were first cousins. We moved to Albany together in the sixties. I lived with her until she got married. She was one of a kind warm loving person I have really fun memories. I will miss her I want your stories in the way she told them. Love you meme

Lima sidoti - July 18, 2020 at 03:55 PM



“ Please accept my loving condolences. You are in my thoughts at this time.

Margaret Lamar King - May 30, 2020 at 08:30 AM



“ These words perfectly capture the life and spirit of the amazing woman your Mom will always be Lexy! My thoughts are with the entire Casano family, please know I send my heartfelt condolences. I was blessed to have spent a few nights in her home and I can see her strength, her wit, her creativity, her compassion in each of her children. I hope the loving memories you have will bring you comfort in the days ahead. With Love, Sandra Cardona

Sandra Cardona - May 30, 2020 at 12:54 AM



“ Aaron, Adrienne, Annlise, Andrea and Lexy, what a beautiful tribute to your mom. We here in Amsterdam as well as all of you have some wonderful memories. We go back a long way. We had some wonderful times together when I married uncle Spank. Dinners, birthdays, picnics. Picnics were the best Uncle Vince and Papa Jim would go early to have coffee ready and so that Papa Jim could put the water on for the pasta. We were the envy of everyone around us who were having hot dogs and burgers. I wish that you kids would come up here after all of this virus has gotten better. We can reminisce
So many stories to tell. Some funny and some even funnier. My heart and love goes out to you all. Love you. Aunt Sally.

Sally Finocchi - May 29, 2020 at 06:28 PM



“ So sorry for your loss. Please know you are all in our prayers...

Tim Nash - May 29, 2020 at 05:43 PM



“ We remember Maryann from days when our children were young. She was so kind and had a really lovely smile. Peace to all the family.

Kathy and Jack Kavanaugh

Kathy and Jack Kavanaugh - June 01, 2020 at 01:25 AM



“ In Maryanne's memory, we offer two poems from the Japanese:

Clear sky ---

the way I came by once

I now go back by. Gitoku 1754

The road I take
to paradise is bright
with flowers. Sokin 1818

With deepest sympathy,
Bob, Linda and Hope Harrison

Robert L Harrison - June 13, 2020 at 08:59 AM