



Anarita Barranca

January 24, 1938 - February 4, 2024

Guilderland, NY-Anarita Barranca, 86, died on Sunday, February 4, 2024 at her home, surrounded by her loving family. Born in Albany, she was the youngest daughter of the late Francis and Carmella Nardolillo Tomasone. Anarita graduated from Cathedral Academy, where she met the love of her life, the late Augustine (Gus) Barranca, Jr. They married in 1955 and settled in Albany. Anarita dedicated her life to raising her family. She loved chocolate, sports (especially the Red Sox, NFL and March Madness), Broadway Musicals, Christmas Eve, and Elvis. She loved to laugh, often played April Fools' Day jokes and gave gag gifts. Most of all, Anarita loved spending time with her family.

She was the beloved mother of Augustine (Mary Ruth), Carrie , Gwen (Thomas) Vielkind, Anthony (Kristen), Michael (Susan), Diane (Craig) MacNeil, and Rachel (Daniel) Powell; grandmother of Ashley, Alyssa, Victoria, Nicholas, Brett, Matthew, Allison, Emily, Shawn, Thomas, Augustine and Ana; great-grandmother of Mackenzie, Eli, Milo, Adriana, Gianna, and Grady; sister of Gloria Burkhard, and the late Angela Delehanty, Natalie Reinisch, and Mary Lucas; sister-in-law of John Delehanty. Many nieces and nephews, cousins and old friends also survive.

Relatives and friends are invited to visit with Anarita's family Thursday, February 8, 2024 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm at McVeigh Funeral Home, 208 North

Allen Street, Albany, NY 12206. Please enter the funeral home from the rear parking lot entrance only.

Funeral services Friday at 11:00 am at All Saints Catholic Church, Albany, NY where her Funeral Mass will be celebrated. The Rite of Committal will be held at Our Lady of Angels Cemetery immediately following the Mass.

If you would like to remember Anarita in a special way, please play a great April Fools' Day joke on someone you love and celebrate your joke with a Hershey bar. She would have loved that.

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

Cemetery Details

Our Lady of Angels Cemetery

1389 Central Ave
Albany, NY

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 8. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc.
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Albany, NY 12206
(518) 489-0188
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<http://www.McveighFuneralHome.com>

Service

FEB 9. 11:00 AM (ET)

All Saints Catholic Church
16 Homestead St.
Albany, NY 12203

Tribute Wall



“ *McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of Anarita Barranca*



McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc. - February 07, 2024 at 03:55 PM

LM

Beautiful.

Lisa Miller - February 08, 2024 at 08:29 PM

RM

“ To the Barranca children, While you had so many wonderful years with your mom and dad,I had wonderful years at 269 Madison Ave. I spent many weekends and summers with Dolly,Doodle,Nancy,Cookie,Anarita,Carrie,Daddy and Sparky. I guess it began by the younger girls as my babysitter,and when I moved to Rensselaer, these wonderful people took me under their wing and I spent years with them.I loved living there and cried when I has to go home.They spoiled me rotten and I never realized your mom was the baby and I must have taken some of her spotlight but she was wonderful to me, They all have hearts of goid and taught me so many good things. I started crying as soon as i saw the tribute viedo, and was crying harder at the end and was so glad to see Carrie and the girls as I knew them. My mother never had to buy a stich of my clothes til I was a teenager, that's how good they were to me.I was at the begining of your mom and dad also all 2 other of there marriages. I came to the funeral but got upset to see Gloria not remembering me cause I know she would have been so happy to see me. I know growing up with the Tomasone family was the best lives you kids could of had. Please know your mother was loved by me as well as many others. RIP Ruth Ann

Ruth Miley - February 14, 2024 at 11:25 AM

LM

“ *Anarita was my Godmother from my Confirmation in 1973. Uncle Gus was my Godfather from my Baptism. Anarita's passing leaves a whole in our universe. She was the last remaining pinocle player comprised of my parents and the two of them. I distinctly remember how she shared the news that she was pregnant with Rachel. Dad and I were on a trip alone to Albany (from New Jersey) and as always, made a visit to the Barranca's. We walked into the house and smelled that wonderful smell of Italian cooking, Anarita was always in the kitchen when we went for a visit. Her back was to us, and she simply turned sideways to show her growing baby bump! We were shocked and elated at the news of another Barranca coming into the world.*

My sincerest sympathy to the whole family. I am sure she will be truly missed. Love Lisa Miller

Lisa Miller - February 08, 2024 at 07:15 PM

LM

“ *Lisa Miller lit a candle in memory of Anarita Barranca*




Lisa Miller - February 08, 2024 at 06:58 PM

BB

“ *Gus, Tony, Mike, Carrie, Gwen, Diane and Rachel and entire Barranca family,
We are so sorry to hear of the loss of Anarita. We will always remember her laugh and being the life the party. She has always been thoughtful of our family. Praying that she is in peace now.
Love Beth and Dave Barlow*

Beth Barlow - February 08, 2024 at 04:59 PM

 Lauren
Touhey

“ 1 file added to the album *Life Tributes*



Lauren Touhey - February 08, 2024 at 03:07 PM

MV

“ *Gwen, Carrie & Family:*
So sorry to hear of the loss of your Mom & I'm sure your best friend.
She was a very special lady. I have many memories of the years I
knew your family on Park Ave.
Sincerely,
Maureen Clancy Vet

Maureen Clancy Vet - February 08, 2024 at 04:01 AM

SA

“ *Sharpe-Lowe Family: Sarah, Eric & Addie*
purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of
Anarita Barranca.



Sharpe-Lowe Family: Sarah, Eric & Addie - February 07, 2024
at 07:27 PM

DG

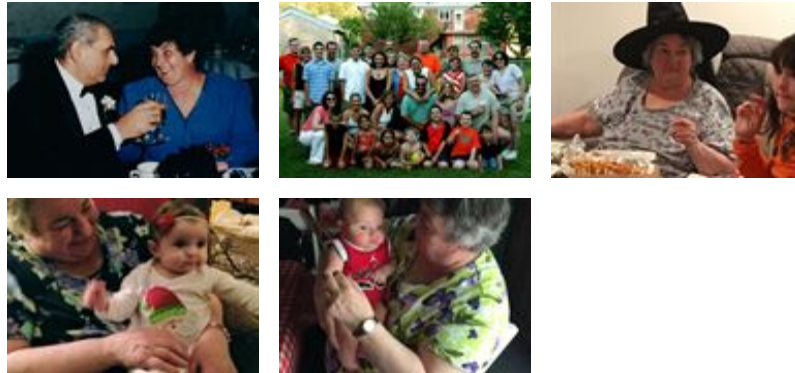
“ *David Gonzalez purchased the Sentiments of Ser*
enity Spray for the family of Anarita Barranca.



David Gonzalez - February 07, 2024 at 07:10 PM



“ 39 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



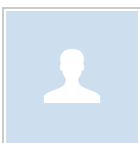
McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc. - February 07, 2024 at 03:59 PM



“ *Freddy, Kathy, Mark, Kim Krieg and family purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Anarita Barranca.*



Freddy, Kathy, Mark, Kim Krieg and family - February 07, 2024 at 01:20 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Anarita Barranca.*



February 07, 2024 at 11:43 AM

JB

“ Joe and Jess Burkhard planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Anarita Barranca.

Joe and Jess Burkhard - February 07, 2024 at 11:43 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Anarita Barranca.



February 07, 2024 at 11:42 AM



“ Treasured Lilies Spray was purchased for the family of Anarita Barranca.



February 07, 2024 at 11:12 AM

JP

“ Joe and Debbie Piccolo purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Anarita Barranca.



Joe and Debbie Piccolo - February 07, 2024 at 10:57 AM

JP

“ Joe and Debbie Piccolo planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Anarita Barranca.

Joe and Debbie Piccolo - February 07, 2024 at 10:57 AM

MR

“ Mary R. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Anarita Barranca.

Mary R. - February 07, 2024 at 10:07 AM

MR

“ My condolences to the Barranca family. Rest in peace.

Mary Romano - February 07, 2024 at 10:05 AM

AC

“ Dear Gus and Mary Ruth and Family, I'm so sorry to read of the death of your dear mother, mother-in-law and grandmother! May your memories of her give you comfort and may she rest in peace.
Sincerely, Anne Cronin

Anne Cronin - February 07, 2024 at 08:34 AM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Anarita Barranca.



February 07, 2024 at 08:14 AM

TD

“ Troy & Sandy DenBesten planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Anarita Barranca.

Troy & Sandy DenBesten - February 07, 2024 at 08:14 AM

DA

“ Dear Barranca Family, our sincere condolences on Anarita's passing. May you take comfort in your favorite memories, and in the awareness that she and your Dad are together again. With love,
David Arsenault & Sue Koehler-Arsenault, Rockport MA

David A - February 07, 2024 at 08:02 AM

DM

“ The best memory is our families would get together, Anarita in her kitchen apron, a pot of sauce on the stove (it always smelled so good the second you walked in the house) is kids playing and hanging out together while the parents told stories. After supper it was Gus and my dad to the living room, Gus would light his cigar and dad his pipe. Once the kitchen was clean, our moms would sit at the dining room table to just gab and try to keep us kids in line when things got a little crazy. Then it was pinochle time. Our parents loved to play pinochle and I loved watching them. They would discuss after each hand what happened, strategy stuff like that. They would play till us kids would fall asleep. It was a great time in my life and will cherish the memories of Gus and Anarita Barranca

Dan Miller - February 06, 2024 at 10:43 PM

DM

“ Dan Miller lit a candle in memory of Anarita Barranca



Dan Miller - February 06, 2024 at 10:24 PM

DM

“ Dan and Kelly Miller purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Anarita Barranca.



Dan and Kelly Miller - February 06, 2024 at 10:22 PM

LO

“ Gus and Mary Ruth,
So sorry to read of your mom's passing. May you all find comfort in her piece.
With love -
Linda and Don

Linda and Don Olthoff - February 06, 2024 at 09:43 PM

FM

“ From Chad, Laura and Nathan Marvin purchased the Sweet Tenderness for the family of Anarita Barranca.



From Chad, Laura and Nathan Marvin - February 06, 2024 at 07:52 PM

FM

“ From Chad, Laura and Nathan Marvin planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Anarita Barranca.

From Chad, Laura and Nathan Marvin - February 06, 2024 at 07:52 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Anarita Barranca.*



February 06, 2024 at 07:25 PM



“ *Anne L. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Anarita Barranca.*

Anne L. - February 06, 2024 at 06:27 PM



“ *With Love, Your Data Team purchased the Magnificent Life Spray for the family of Anarita Barranca.*



With Love, Your Data Team - February 06, 2024 at 05:49 PM



“ *Gus and Family, I am so sad to hear about the passing of your beloved Mother. What a wonderful close family she kept together. I pray that all of you smile every time you think of Mom and Nonna. Memories of family get together and April fool jokes will keep you smiling always. May your Mother RIP and let God hold her in the palm of his hand.
Love, Kathy Zazycki (and Bubba for you Gus)*

Kathleen Zazycki - February 06, 2024 at 05:47 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Anarita Barranca.*



February 06, 2024 at 05:28 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Anarita Barranca.*



February 06, 2024 at 04:36 PM



“ *Barbara and Ernie Jackson planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Anarita Barranca.*

Barbara and Ernie Jackson - February 06, 2024 at 04:36 PM