



Joan E. Valente

April 8, 1930 - April 13, 2024

Joan E. Zangrando Valente entered Eternal Life Saturday, April 13, 2024. Born April 8, 1930 in Albany, NY, she was the daughter of the late William J. Zangrando and Josephine Smith Zangrando.

She was the loving wife for 54 years of the late Angelo E. Valente who was a WW II Veteran, and fought in the Battle of the Bulge, and was a US Postal Employee. Loving mother of Nina Valente Stegmann, Donna Valente Farber, and honorary third daughter Debbie Bushey Oropallo. Loving Nonna of Dara, Erik, Joanna, and Kelly. Loving sister of the late big brother William J. Zangrando, Jr.. Predeceased by many loving aunts and uncles. Survived by many nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Joan had many fond memories of growing up in Albany and having fun with her cousins and at school, St. Mary's School and Holy Names Academy.

Thoughts of becoming a nurse were interrupted with marriage and children. However, she had many jobs in caring for the elderly, working in charitable organizations (Leukemia Society, Heart Association, etc.), and lastly, Agriculture and Markets.

Living in West Albany, she was an active member in her church, teaching Sunday school, and in her community as a Girl Scout leader and

Neighborhood Chairman.

Joan had the Irish gift of gab and the Italian love of food

Her love of family, faith, friends, pets, and family dinners, along with her sense of fun and laughter will always be remembered.

Relatives and friends are invited to visit with Joan's family Thursday, April 18, 2024 at 9:30 am to 10:30 am at Historic Church of St. Mary on Capitol Hill, Lodge and Pine Sts (Rev. James Lefebvre Way), Albany, NY 12207. Her Funeral Mass will follow at 10:30 am.

The Rite of Committal will be held at St. Agnes Cemetery, Menands, NY immediately following the Mass.

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

Those wishing to remember Joan in a special way may send a contribution to either The Community Hospice, 310 South Manning Blvd., Albany, NY 12208 or Mohawk Hudson Humane Society, 3 Oakland Ave., Menands, NY 12204.

Cemetery Details

St. Agnes Cemetery

48 Cemetery Ave
Menands, NY

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 18. 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM (ET)

Historic Church of St Mary on Capital Hill
10 Lodge Street (Father James Lefebvre Way)
Albany, NY 12207

Service

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Tribute Wall

CS

“ Uncle Ang and Aunt Joan always checked on us after our parents passed away and continued to do so after Jerry and Tommy passed as well. I will never forgot your parents kindness and your mom continued her kindness long after your dad passed. She loved her daughters and grandchildren and surely loved life. You will surely be missed, love Tiny, Chrissy and family

Christine Slingerland - April 21, 2024 at 07:27 PM

KE

“ You will be missed dearly Joan . You were like a second mom to me . You taught me so many valuable lessons . I'll forever hold onto the memories we share . You taught me how to crochet and every time I felt like I couldn't do it , you told me to keep practicing until I do get it . My condolences go out to the family . I love you Joan ! - Kelly



kelly - April 18, 2024 at 11:14 AM

KV

“ The Academy of the Holy Names sends prayers and condolences to Joan's family. We are always saddened to lose a member of our alumnae ('48) community and are glad to know Joan looked fondly on her years at AHN. May she rest in peace and find joy in the reunion with her family members gone before her.

Kristin Vivian - April 17, 2024 at 12:30 PM

MR

“ I still have the beautiful afghan Aunt Joan made me years ago. It always makes me think of her and appreciate the thoughtfulness , talent and time it took making it. Mary Ann.

Mary Ann Rosenzweig - April 17, 2024 at 08:12 AM

DM

“ I want to send my condolences to her family she was a wonderful loving woman. She was a great friend and neighbor. Heaven has gained a lovely angel.
Donna Maxwell

Donna Maxwell - April 16, 2024 at 09:10 PM

SU

“ Want to share how lucky any of us get to have wonderful neighbors of upwards of 50yrs ! That is what I and my family have had with Joan & Angelo . I would sit with Joan in the evenings in her yard with whatever dogs we had after Angelo passed and although i missed her was glad she moved & spent some carefree time away from the responsibilities of home ownership @ Beltrone ! I can rite now look out my window & will continue to see them both peaceful sitting happily together as they are back together now what a nice thought ! With love & friendship to all , wishing u all the best of memmories ! Sue Kenneally @ " 95 "

suekenneally - April 16, 2024 at 10:53 AM

SF

“ Sending our sincere condolences to the entire family. Joan was always a sweet and lovely soul. May she fly high with the angels and rest in heaven. Sincerely, Sue, Charlie and Lucas

Susan Ferrara - April 15, 2024 at 04:11 PM