



## Rachelle Rappazzo

August 23, 1928 - June 28, 2018

Rachelle Rappazzo, passed away Thursday, June 28, 2018 at the age of 89.

She is survived by her sister Frances Lukowski and her husband Frank Rappazzo, her son Thomas (Maria) Rappazzo, her daughter Cynthia Smith (David), her grandchildren Allison Smith and Michael Smith and by her many members of the Rappazzo family.

Funeral arrangements will be private.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Rachelle Rappazzo*

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October 08, 2023 at 09:24 PM



“ *To my beloved mother- You were a truly beautiful person. Thank you for everything you did for me. I love you so very much and will keep you with me always. -your daughter Cindy*

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**Cindy Smith** - July 10, 2018 at 09:21 PM

DS

“ It was 32 years ago that I met this beautiful lady. I was this naïve Texas boy who had flown up to New York to meet the parents of the woman that I would soon make my wife. My flight was late so our introductions would have to wait till morning. I could hear them in the kitchen talking and I was nervous as my hand turned the doorknob exiting the spare bedroom. I took a breath and walked out. What I found on the other side of that door was a word that I would come to love - “Family”. At the center stood a 5’ 2” woman while short in stature was a mountain of love and acceptance. For the past 30 years she has embraced me as part of her family and although not related by blood, she has loved me as a son and shared with me a mother’s love. I have so much admiration for this lady I called “Mom”. Her love for Dad was immeasurable and for me, they represented the truest meaning of devotion. She always wore her passions on her sleeve. With Mom, our worries became her worries and our dreams, her dreams. Her Children and Grand-Children were her life. She celebrated with them their successes and carried their burdens when they found themselves in the valleys. She was a voracious reader, an excellent cook and most of all she had her own sense of style and fashion. I could sit for hours as she recounted stories of her youth, her family, and her adventures. She could make you laugh as no one else could and it was the little things that seemed to give her the most pleasure. My fondest memory when looking back was the cruise we took with Mom and Dad. All of us together fulfilled that picture of what I saw long ago of “Family”. I will miss the cherished phone calls, the various cards of celebration and encouragement, the sandwiches she would make for our plane trip home, and the other countless gifts of love she provided to each of us every day of her life. I love you Mom. You will forever be in my heart and although you are gone, I know you will be looking out for us.

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David Smith - July 07, 2018 at 03:20 PM

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“ Grandma, there's so many different things I want to say. From the moment I was born, you loved me unconditionally and completely, even when I was at my most insecure. You told me to always believe in myself and my abilities, even when I was sure I would fail. You were always there to talk to me or tell me stories or worry about me. All those times we spent together during Spring Break--I won't forget them. None of us will. I'm glad I had you in my life as long as we did and I won't ever lose sight of the person you saw in me. You were a wonderful grandma and friend and the kind of love you had for others is a rare and beautiful thing. I miss you and I hope you know just how much you meant to me from wherever you are. I love you with all my heart and I won't forget you. Never.

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**Allison Smith** - July 01, 2018 at 11:18 AM

RF

“ I have so many memories of taking the train down to Brooklyn on a Sunday with my Mom and Dad ( who raised uncle Frankie) to visit with you. . Rest in peace Aunt Raye  
Rosie Micari Flagler

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**Rosemary Flagler** - June 30, 2018 at 11:35 PM

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“ It was an honor to love you and be loved by you. You were a great aunt and a remarkable friend.  
Forever loved,  
Steve, Pattie and Alex

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**Pattie Card** - June 30, 2018 at 07:38 PM

MJ

“ We were so pleased to have you here for the last several years. It was great spending time with you. We will miss seeing you. Marge and family

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**Marge Jubert** - June 30, 2018 at 02:30 PM