



Rosemary Generali Risler

July 24, 1933 - October 31, 2013

Colonie - Rosemary Edith Generali Risler, 80, passed away peacefully on October 31, 2013 in the comfort of her home in the Village of Colonie surrounded by her family.

Rosemary was born on July 24, 1933 in Albany to the late Gene Generali, originally from Fano, Italy and the late Angeline Nardolillo Generali of Albany. She was predeceased by three brothers, Frank, Charles and John Generali.

Rosemary was a proud Italian-American, loved her large, extended Nardolillo family, and enjoyed organizing the annual Nardolillo family picnics in the 1970s to 1990s. That connection continued right up to this year, as she lunched once a month with her wonderful cousins.

She graduated from Albany High School in 1951, where she was a cheerleader and senior class treasurer. She was instrumental in planning the five year reunions up to the 60th reunion in 2011 and helped plan an annual class luncheon for local graduates.

She retired in 2001 as Assistant Manager of the Schuyler Meadows Club, after 43 years of employment.

She was a great cook, enjoyed reading, Jeopardy, the racino in Saratoga,

dining out, lottery scratch offs, ice cream and chocolates, and traveling to Florida in winter, to Ocean City, MD and Misquamicut Beach, RI in summer and did a grand tour of Italy in 1998 for her 65th birthday.

She is survived by her loving husband of 57 years, Walter F. Risler, whom she married in 1956 at St. Patrick's Church in Albany; sons Paul (Jeanette) of Whitesboro, NY, William (Lisa Jackson) of Albany, NY, Daniel (Patricia) of Rexford, NY and John (Susan) of Albany, NY and daughter Laurie Pelletier (Dan Romand) of Schenectady, NY. She was a caring and devoted wife, and a generous and supportive mother and mother-in-law.

She also leaves behind her 13 grandchildren whom she adored - Joshua, Megan, Jenna, Hannah, Emma, Lilli, Fayth, Lance, Matthew, Patrick and Anne Risler, and Melissa and Rebecca Pelletier. She loved doting on them, cooking their favorite meals and sending them funny cards on birthdays and holidays.

She is also survived by her brother-in-law Frank Risler (Mary), sister-in-law Florence Ford (Joseph), sister-in-law Tini Generali, many Generali and Risler nieces and nephews, many Nardolillo first and second cousins and scores of friends, all of whom she loved and knew loved her.

Rosemary, a two-time breast cancer survivor, was diagnosed with Multiple Myeloma in 2011, which was in remission for close to two years before its return this past August. Immeasurable thanks go to the caring staff, nurses and doctors at New York Oncology Hematology, especially her longtime physician Dr. Stephen Hillinger.

Funeral services Monday, November 4, 2013 at 9:30 am from McVeigh Funeral Home, 208 North Allen Street, Albany thence to Christ the King Church, Westmere at 10:30 am where a Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated. Relatives and friends are invited and may call Sunday, November

3, 2013 3:00 to 6:00 pm in the funeral home (please use the North Allen Street doorway to enter the funeral home). Internment at Most Holy Redeemer Cemetery in Niskayuna.

To leave the family a message on their guest book, obtain directions or view other helpful services, please visit www.McveighFuneralHome.com

Memorial donations may be made to The Community Hospice Foundation, 295 Valley View Blvd., Rensselaer, NY 12144.

Cemetery Details

Most Holy Redeemer Cemetery

2501 Troy Road
Niskayuna, NY

Tribute Wall



“ *Rosemary Generali Risler*

October 08, 2023 at 09:24 PM



“ *Dear Walt and kids, I learned of Rosemary's passing only a week ago so please forgive my tardy response. I will always fondly remember her and especially the last visit my mother and I had with her. We enjoyed 2 great days with the family. Be proud of her -she was a beautiful person.*

Paul Burnett - January 06, 2014 at 07:57 AM



“ *I just learned of the passing of Rosemary... it does sadden me and I extend heartfelt condolences to Walt, the children and all the relatives and friends whom loved her so. Although I hadn't seen the Risler's in many, many years... I treasure the memories of the trips we took from Connecticut to Albany in my childhood years, and I always felt close and comfortable with my Godmother Rosemary... her smile was her beacon to all who met her... rest in peace Rosemary and I am sure there has been a reunion in Heaven with her loved ones whom passed before her....*

Carl Burnett, Melbourne, Florida

Carl Burnett - January 05, 2014 at 09:01 PM

CP

“ *To William and family*

I always remember your mom Rosemary when we were at your house years ago in Albany.

I felt the warmth of a real family although we were miles and miles away from home.

I will always keep this sweet memory in my heart.

A big hug to you all

Cristina and Stefano and Pietro from Fano, Italy

Cristina Li Puma - November 05, 2013 at 10:45 AM

JW

“ *Laurie & Walt & Family*

Your mother was a good friend of mine since I met her in Hackett High School...we didn't see each other often but when we did we had a great time....She stopped into our store and we usually went to lunch together...nothing ever changed...she was a true friend and I will miss & pray for her..please keep in touch....love June White & Family.

june white - November 04, 2013 at 09:55 AM

LG

“ *I am so sorry for the loss of Aunt Rosemary. She was the sweetest, warmest and inviting person I was privileged to know. My thoughts and prayers are with Uncle Walt and the rest of the Risler family. I know family was a big part of who she was and she invited me in with open arms. RIP Aunt Rosemary. You will be missed.*

Liesa Generali

Liesa Generali - November 03, 2013 at 02:00 PM

LM

“ *John and family,
We are sorry to hear of the loss of your loving mother and
grandmother.
May your many happy memories of Rosemary help to ease your
sorrow at this difficult time.
Jack & Lynn Mulliin*

Lynn Mullin - November 03, 2013 at 08:36 AM

PM

“ *To the Risler Family~*

*Parkside Church will be praying for Dan,
Patricia, Lance and all of you as you say
goodbye to Rosemary. Please consider us
available for you all....*

Peace to you,

Pastor Paul & Kelley McCart, Clifton Park



Paul McCart - November 03, 2013 at 07:46 AM

DA

“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



dave allen - November 02, 2013 at 06:02 PM

DA

We had a nice time visiting with Rosemary and Walt. Does anyone have a photo of that day on the porch?

dave allen - November 02, 2013 at 06:03 PM

DA

this was during summer 2013 Victor and Robyn. Wedding. We had a nice time visiting with Maryrose and Walt. Does anyone have that photo?

dave allen - November 02, 2013 at 06:04 PM

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dave allen - November 02, 2013 at 06:00 PM

DA

“ *Dear Walter and Family,*

It is 40 years since the Allens arrived on Rapple Drive. Where does the time go? You and Rosemary are constant reminders to me of how important family and friends and connectedness is. In the front of my mind I thought she would go on forever. Always there, always welcoming, a survivor; always interested in what was going on now.

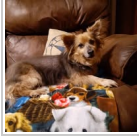
But of course deep down I knew , like life its self, nothing, no one, goes on forever.

She left us as we will all leave each other. I will always remember.

Love to you and all the Rislers.

*Dave Allen
Margaret LeBrun
and family*

dave allen - November 02, 2013 at 05:57 PM



“ *It was always fun visiting with Aunt Rosemary. The family reunions that she put together were the top and something looked forward to. She was always interested in what was happening in the lives of family members, and she always remembered the important days like one's birthday.*

She was a strong person, and gave it a good fight. Unfortunately, she met a battle she could not win. She will be missed by all who knew and loved her.

My thoughts and prayers to my Uncle Walt and my cousins. May you find inner peace in knowing that she is now at rest and no longer in pain. She is also with her entire family now. Rest peacefully, Aunt Rosemary. You earned it.

Your nephew, Michael Generali.

Michael Generali - November 02, 2013 at 04:20 PM

TL

“ *Dear Laurie (Lillie Mae). I am so sorry to hear about your mother's passing. Booty and I were at the Memorial Service at the Teresian House last night - Sister Patricia said your mom passed away. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family at this most difficult time.*

Tricia Longstaff - November 02, 2013 at 01:03 PM

SR

“ *Thoughts and prayers go out to the entire Risler during this difficult time. I will forever have fond memories of Rosemary, she was a kind, strong, loving woman & grandmother.*

*Susan & Jenna Risler
Francis Zurawski*

Susan Risler - November 02, 2013 at 08:05 AM

 John
Generali

“ You always felt loved by Aunt Rosemary. She never forgot my birthday, ever. And you never left her home hungry. Family is defined by the generosity and love she gave to each of us and extended to our loved ones. We were always welcomed into her home.

I am sad, yet I am happy that she is with her family now, one of them being my dad whom I'm sure was one of the first to embrace her as she passed.

My thoughts are also with the family she briefly leaves behind. I hope she taught at least one of you to cook half as wonderful as she did ;) As I pray for Aunt Rosemary's peace, I also pray for your comfort, Uncle Walt, Laurie, Dan, Paul, John, and William.



John Generali - November 01, 2013 at 06:54 PM

JR

“ It was always a great pleasure and joy to gather at the home of Rosemary and Walt, especially for special holidays and on Sundays. Gathering around the table took on multiple meanings each of which was valuable unto themselves. But when you combined them all together you had the essence of a great life. You could always count on a communal gathering with great food and drink, hearty conversation and an action packed card game. It was a kind of love fest that many long to celebrate in this life. For for the Risler family and extended family it was something special. When Packy was alive you could also count on some great political banter. Rosemary was the glue that pulled it all together and made things happen. We will sorely miss these prized moments but we have lasting memories of good times together. - John and Marie Ranalli

John Ranalli - November 01, 2013 at 04:54 PM