



Catherine A. O'Brien

March 20, 1931 - April 23, 2016

Catherine A. O'Brien, 85, of Ocean Twp., N.J., passed away on Saturday April 23, 2016 at Jersey Shore University Medical Center, Neptune. She was born and raised in Brooklyn NY and has been a resident of Ocean Twp since 1988. Catherine was employed as a secretary for the Space and Terrestrial division of Fort Monmouth, Eatontown. She worked at Fort Monmouth for 10 years before retiring in 2001.

Surviving is her devoted husband of 56 years Fred O'Brien, her daughter Virginia Lengyel and her husband John, a son; John O'Brien, three grandchildren; Jessica, Matthew and Stephanie.

Visitation will be held 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm on Thursday April 28, 2016 and Friday from 9:30 am to 10:00 am at the Bongarzone Funeral Home, 2400 Shafto Road, Tinton Falls. A funeral mass will be offered 10:30 am on Friday April 29, 2016 at the Church of St. Anselm, 1028 Wayside road, Tinton Falls. Entombment to follow at Woodbine Cemetery & Mausoleum, Oceanport. In lieu of flowers donations in her memory may be made to St. Jude Children's Hospital at www.stjude.org.

Cemetery Details

Woodbine Cemetery & Mausoleum

1173 Eatontown Blvd
Oceanport, NJ 07757

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 28. 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

Bongarzone Funeral Home
2400 Shafto Road
Tinton Falls, NJ

Visitation

APR 29. 9:30 AM - 10:00 AM (ET)


Bongarzone Funeral Home
2400 Shafto Road
Tinton Falls, NJ

Funeral Mass

APR 29. 10:30 AM (ET)

Church of Saint Anselm
1028 Wayside Road
Tinton Falls, NJ

Tribute Wall

 Debbie
Melnyk

“ *May your precious memories comfort your heart always and forever. Our deepest condolences.*
Debbie Pauciello Melnyk and Family




Debbie Melnyk - April 29, 2016 at 11:08 AM

VL

Thanks Debbie, I appreciate it.

Virginia Lengyel - April 29, 2016 at 05:46 PM

 Jessica
Shornock

“ *Jessica Shornock sent a virtual gift in memory of Catherine A. O'Brien*



Jessica Shornock - April 29, 2016 at 07:28 AM

SF

“ *we are very sad to learn of the loss of Catherine she will be missed by all of us who have been fortunate enough to share life with her, prayers for her and family .*

Stavola Family - April 28, 2016 at 10:47 AM

JH

“ *May you find peace and comfort in knowing that your grief is shared by so many of us. Your mom will be sorely missed. God bless you and your wonderful family.*




John and I are sending our deepest sympathies to you and your family at this time of grieving. Sending prayers for strength and comfort for you at this time. If there is any way we can make things easier for you please do not hesitate to let us know.

John and Susan Harrington - April 28, 2016 at 08:54 AM

VL

Thanks Sue, we really appreciate it.

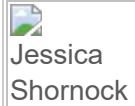
Virginia Lengyel - April 28, 2016 at 10:13 AM


Jessica
Shornock

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Jessica Shornock - April 28, 2016 at 06:53 AM



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Jessica Shornock - April 27, 2016 at 04:18 PM



“ Jessica Shornock sent a virtual gift in memory of Catherine A. O'Brien



Jessica Shornock - April 27, 2016 at 04:16 PM

HB

“ Our hearts are so sad to say farwell to kay for now. She was always so kind to Zoe and I. She was always joking making us laugh, she was never too busy for her loved ones. We will miss her kind heart and spirit so much. We love and miss you.

Heather Bowles - April 27, 2016 at 01:06 PM

RT

“ I worked at a school with Catherine years ago and I have to say she was one of the most loving and caring people I have worked with. she would always bring in lunch cakes always something special all the time that we used to call her the nicest rich lady because she didn't need the job she really just did it to help.

Rebecca Tremble - April 27, 2016 at 12:39 PM

FC

“ Sending our thoughts and prayers to the family of Catherine. She will be missed by all of us and we will meet again someday in the heavens and I'm sure Catherine will have a V.I.P section for all the good she has done in the world she lived in.



F Coletti - April 27, 2016 at 09:00 AM

JB

“ Working with such a wonderful woman made the work day pleasurable. I worked with Catherine in Ccom11 and it has been some years but she has always been a great memory, When any of us had a problem or didn't know about something somehow Catherine would get us through almost like she was magic and we even used to joke saying are you from one of the higher intelligence species and she would give us her Italian smirk and mumble some words in Italian and laugh. When the government changed things and moved the sector to Maryland we lost touch after a few years because she retired to be with her family who she never stopped talking about. I speak for all of the people she worked with that she was a Legend and our thoughts and prayers will go on forever. I have arranged to send a prayer into space as far as we can communicate with a blessing for her to be safe up there and save us a seat close to her. Janice and Joe Benson C41sr.

J Benson - April 27, 2016 at 08:45 AM

PL

“ Patricia Lucarelli lit a candle in memory of Catherine A. O'Brien



Patricia Lucarelli - April 27, 2016 at 08:15 AM

PL

“ Our deepest sympathy for the family and prayers from all of us. I still live in Brooklyn in the same area I grew up in and every time I pass her house I think I remember having so much fun there when I was a child and wondered where she went to. I am sad to see this is how I found out about her but it was nice to see she had a fulfilling life and the Lucarelli family will hold her close to our hearts.

Patricia Lucarelli - April 27, 2016 at 08:15 AM

 Deborah Manzo-Falco

“ Deborah Manzo-Falco lit a candle in memory of Catherine A. O'Brien



Deborah Manzo-Falco - April 27, 2016 at 12:19 AM

 Deborah Manzo-

Virginia, John, Fred and family,

I am so sorry to hear of Mom O'Brien's passing. I will keep all of you in my prayers. If you need anything I'm here for you, God bless!

Deborah Manzo-Falco - April 27, 2016 at 12:22 AM

VL

Thanks Debbie, we appreciate it.

Virginia Lengyel - April 27, 2016 at 06:58 AM

YJ

“ *Your Son John lit a candle in memory of Catherine A. O'Brien*



your son John - April 26, 2016 at 08:38 PM

YJ

“ Today my mom is in the hands of god who she prayed to when there was not a reason to pray.. and to all the saints,, one I remember is st Jude she would pray to for me when I was in a pickle. I have to say that she was the keeper of our family and she made us who we are!!! She knew everything about everything. My mother made sure every night that we were at the table to eat, that we didn't pick on or judge anybody at school and did as the teachers told us, and that we did our homework and chores prior to eating, one of my favorite things I always loved was when I would go to work with my dad we would be pulling in the driveway and see the kitchen window full of steam and that meant mom cooked macaroni and my dad and I would get excited, I owe it to her because she made me who I am, Most importantly that we said our prayers before we went to bed!!!.. It carried on with me my whole life. she taught me the prayer and every night when I went to bed I would kneel down and say, Our father who art in heaven hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven, give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us, and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil . Amen.. And then (god bless mommy, daddy, cissy, bootsy, and everyone else in our family



Your son John. - April 26, 2016 at 08:22 PM



Jessica
Shornock

“ I will miss my grandma so much and it's going to be so hard living life without her. She meant the world to me and now I feel so empty without her. I will no longer be able to hug her or hear her laugh. I will never be able to have our long talks about life and family. She was such a beautiful person, both inside and out. She loved everyone and everything and it was impossible not to love her back. She cared so deeply about her family and always knew how to make me feel better when I was sad. She hurt when I hurt. I could go to her for anything because I knew she would make everything all better. Her smile lit up the room every time I walked in to see her. I have to realize that it was her time to leave us so that she can watch over and protect us from above. God and the angels have welcomed her with open arms. She is happy and at peace in her new life. She will always be with me and with all of us. May you live peacefully up in heaven my beautiful angel.



Jessica Shornock - April 26, 2016 at 06:58 PM

VL

“ Virginia Lengyel lit a candle in memory of Catherine A. O'Brien



Virginia Lengyel - April 26, 2016 at 06:38 PM

VL

I will love and miss you forever mom... Until we meet again...

Virginia Lengyel - April 26, 2016 at 06:56 PM

PB

“ *Our prayers go out to her and all of us living without her. God bless.*

Patricia M Bilotti - April 26, 2016 at 06:16 PM

CG

“ *The Lord took an angel sent from above. We send our prayers for the family in this time of mourning and she will be forever in our hearts and thoughts Amen.*

C. Genovese - April 26, 2016 at 05:05 PM

SA

“ *Katy wad my other mom when I was young. I was just 16 and used to go to the arcade on the boardwalk in Belmar that Katy owned, we would go on the beach and then go to the arcade go home and back to the arcade. I am so sad to hear this news as I have not seen her in so many years but when my mother told me this morning all I felt was an empty spot in the middle of me. our prayers go out to all of her family*

Sue Anne - April 26, 2016 at 02:28 PM

JP

“ *I am so sorry for the loss of your Mother. I will keep her and all of you in my prayers.*

Joanne

Joanne Palmeri - April 26, 2016 at 01:55 PM

VL

Thank you Joanne

Virginia Lengyel - April 26, 2016 at 07:24 PM

PP

“ I knew Kay when she was writing bail bonds as I met her my 1st year on the police force. She would make all of us laugh including the bad guys getting bailed out. Brooklyn lost one of its best. With deepest sorrows my heart goes out to her family and friends as we share the loss of a great woman.

Paul Peresi - April 26, 2016 at 01:46 PM

TB

“ Such a loss to all who knew Catherine and we are all grieving with the family of Catherine in this time of the Lords choice, Bless Her and God bless her family. T. Bongiovanni and family

T Bongiovanni - April 26, 2016 at 11:22 AM

MB

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you during this devastating time.
Mary Anne Bowles (Heather's mom) Heather and Zoe,
Suzanne, Alyssa and Kylie, and Allison, Scott, Michael and Lexy.

M. Bowles - April 25, 2016 at 12:50 PM