



Joan Theresa Colato

March 26, 1940 - September 21, 2023

Joan Theresa Colato, of Morristown New Jersey, passed away on September 21st, 2023 at the age of 83.

Joan was born to Anthony & Rose Panzariello and grew up in Jersey City alongside her two sisters. She went on to get married and start her family in Newark, New Jersey. She has 4 beautiful children, 10 grandchildren and 4 great grandchildren.

Joan was a devoted Catholic and always talked about how she couldn't wait to meet Jesus. She was a Gentle Kind women of God. She would always cheerfully greet everyone at Mass. She had a beautiful, thoughtful, and caring heart, who had a love for people and everyone she met adored her. Joan cherished her children and was most proud of them. She was accepting of anyone no matter who they were, or what they looked like. Her home was warm and welcoming to everyone. She had a passion for food. Thanksgiving was her favorite holiday and her favorite fast food was KFC (Kentucky Fried Chicken). A perfect day in Joan's eyes would start with going to church and then afterwards going to the Morristown Diner where she greeted everyone. She will truly be missed by all who knew her.

Joan was predeceased by parents Anthony & Rose Panzariello, and sister

Dolores Wingert. She is survived by her sister Rosemarie Stiffler; daughters Gina Marie Simon (the late Frank), Rose Valentin (Sergio), Denise Ruiz (Ibrahim), Diane Gonzalez (Danny); stepdaughter Lissette Camacho; grandchildren Frank Simon Jr., Brandon Valentin, Bianca Valentin, Javier Valentin, Kassandra Colato (Curtis Jenkins), Alexander Olave, Jacob Olave, Jeffrey Cummings, Danny Gonzalez Jr. (Itzel Gonzalez), Jessica Gonzalez, and Joey Gonzalez; and great-grandchildren Asher Gallagher, Kinsley Valentin, Angelina Jenkins, and Ariana Jenkins.

All services will be private. In lieu of flowers, donations in Joan's memory may be made to the American Lung Association. For online condolences, please visit Joan's memorial page at www.bongarzonefuneralhome.com

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