



## Josephine Fontana

January 1, 1944 - February 15, 2024

Devoted daughter to Anna and Giovanni.

Cherished sister of Peter, Anthony, and Jason.

Proud mother to John, Joseph, and her beloved Michelle.

Josephine was proud to graduate with honors from FIT in New York, and to be employed as a designer/artist for Vogue magazine.

After several years at Vogue she continued her career as a design consultant and jewelry expert at Macys for 20+ years.

She took fierce pride in her children's accomplishments and those of her six grandchildren.

She is survived by her brother Jason, her three children, and her six grandchildren – Alex, Olivia, Peter, Nicky, Alanna, and Ayden – all of whom were the center of her universe. Over the years she had many close friends. Sheila, her closest friend whom she considered a sister. Her best friend Patsy whom they both shared many fun adventures and conversations with. And her dearest friend Pam whom we all love and appreciate for all the love and happiness her friendship brought her.

While she may have been short in height, she had an enormous impact on the lives of everyone she touched.

She will be missed dearly and always loved and cherished.

Josephine's visitation will be held 1 to 3 PM with a funeral service at 3 PM on Thursday February 22 at Bongarzone Funeral Home, 2400 Shafto Road, Tinton Falls, NJ. For online condolences, please visit Josephine's memorial

page at [www.bongarzonefuneralhome.com](http://www.bongarzonefuneralhome.com)

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB **22**. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Bongarzone Funeral Home  
2400 Shafto Road  
Tinton Falls, NJ

## Funeral Service

FEB **22**. 3:00 PM - 3:30 PM (ET)

Bongarzone Funeral Home  
2400 Shafto Road  
Tinton Falls, NJ

# Tribute Wall

CC

“ *She was one of the most amazing people on the planet. She was a wonderful aunt to me and was also so sweet to me and all my family members. I will forever miss the random phone calls from her while driving.*

Chase Capri - April 03, 2025 at 11:03 PM

GH

“ *Josie was one of my mom's favorite people they met yrs ago at Tinton Falls Senior residents and remained friends after Josie moved. They cared deeply for one another. We are saddened to hear of her passing. She is hanging with my mom again. From the family of Linda Runge we send love and prayers. God bless.*

Ginger Hatton - February 23, 2024 at 05:26 PM

SB

“ *Sharon buechler purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Josephine Fontana.*



Sharon buechler - February 21, 2024 at 04:54 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Josephine Fontana.*



February 21, 2024 at 11:49 AM

LO

“ *Latoria Sizer & Kimberly Odom purchased the Laver Reflections Spray for the family of Josephine Fontana.*



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**Latoria Sizer & Kimberly Odom** - February 21, 2024 at 10:44 AM

CF

“ *Ciro Fontana planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Josephine Fontana.*

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**Ciro Fontana** - February 20, 2024 at 06:59 PM



“ *Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Josephine Fontana.*



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February 20, 2024 at 06:59 PM

JF

“ When our nephew, Joseph Nuccio, married Michelle Nuccio, Josie became a member of our family too as we enjoyed many family events together with Josie, her children and grandchildren. Birthdays, Christmas, and many holidays featured children having fun, lots of great conversation and delicious food!!! Josie always greeted us with big smile and hug! Josie was so tiny but she gave us a big hug! She had many stories to tell us from her job at Macys and her family in Italy. She loved to show us her beautiful jewelry and talk about food she loved to make. She made us laugh! The photos on this page are examples of the love and joy her family shared with Josie. We are going to miss Josie at the family events but we thank God for the time we were blessed to spend with her! - Judy Fraser for the Fraser Family: Judy + Bill Fraser; Jennifer, Mark and Evelyn Kunycky; Becca, Brian, Kara and Teddy Thill



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**Judith A. Fraser** - February 20, 2024 at 06:12 PM

HP

“ Harriet P. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Josephine Fontana.

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**Harriet P.** - February 20, 2024 at 04:39 PM

TF

“ The Fraser Family purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Josephine Fontana.



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**The Fraser Family** - February 20, 2024 at 03:23 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Josephine Fontana.



February 20, 2024 at 02:58 PM



“ Jason Capri & Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Josephine Fontana.

Jason Capri & Family - February 20, 2024 at 11:54 AM



“ Loving Lilies and Roses Bouquet was purchased for the family of Josephine Fontana.



February 20, 2024 at 11:54 AM



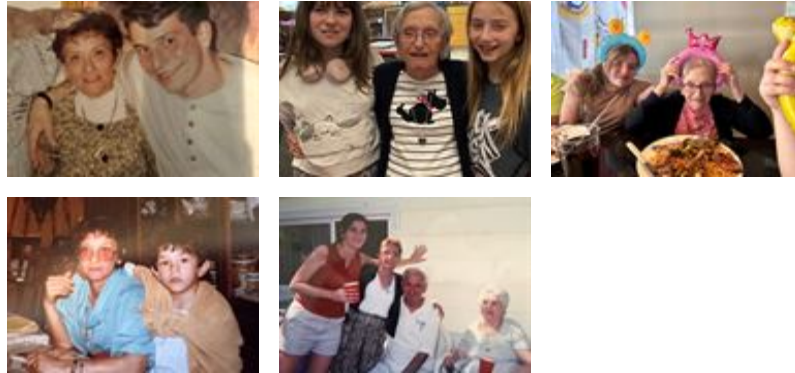
“ Maria & Peter Turlejski purchased the Enduring Grace for the family of Josephine Fontana.



Maria & Peter Turlejski - February 19, 2024 at 06:38 PM

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“ 52 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



**Bongarzone Funeral Home** - February 19, 2024 at 03:35 PM

LR

“ *Laura Fontana's parents The Reybolds planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Josephine Fontana.*

**Laura Fontana's parents The Reybolds** - February 18, 2024 at 06:06 PM

LR

“ *Laura Fontana's parents The Reybolds purchased the *Country Basket Blooms* for the family of Josephine Fontana.*



**Laura Fontana's parents The Reybolds** - February 18, 2024 at 06:06 PM

HP

“ Your mom was a very special woman. I always enjoyed seeing her and listening to her great stories. She was a fighter till the very end. I will miss her and her optimistic outlook on everything. My heart goes out to your family.

Harriet Susan Pianko - February 17, 2024 at 12:49 PM

JK

“ We are so sorry to hear of Josie's passing - she was always like a family member to us. Just a kind and caring "Grandma" to us, always taking time to ask how we were doing and showing sincere interest in our lives. Even though we didn't see her too often, it never felt like much time had passed between when we did see her. Evelyn has very fond memories of the times she spent with her, doing "babysitting" of her cousins, and just spending happy time with Josie. She will be missed and will forever remain in our minds, with many pleasant memories. Our condolences go out to the entire family for this loss, but especially to Michelle and my cousin Joseph, as we know how important Josie was to you all. Loving thoughts,  
Sincerely - Jennifer, Evelyn and Mark Kunycky

Jennifer Kunycky - February 17, 2024 at 12:15 PM



“ Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Josephine Fontana.



February 16, 2024 at 08:32 AM

BH

“ *Bongarzone Funeral Home lit a candle in  
memory of Josephine Fontana* ”



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**Bongarzone Funeral Home** - February 15, 2024 at 08:22 PM