



## MaryAnn Crimmins

July 3, 1940 - October 14, 2024

Mary Ann Crimmins was born on July 3, 1940 in Jersey City, New Jersey. She attended Holy Rosary Elementary School and St. Michael's High School. Growing up in Jersey City, she was surrounded by a large extended family, including many aunts, uncles, and over a dozen cousins. Several of her cousins even attended high school with her, creating lifelong bonds. After high school, Mary Ann worked at AT&T and later at Western Electric in Kearny, New Jersey. She also obtained her real estate license several years later.

Mary Ann, affectionately known as "Toni" was very athletic in her youth. She had a passion for the ocean and became an excellent swimmer. However, it was her participation in Roller Derby that truly captivated those around her. Her athleticism and competitive spirit were a thrill to watch. She spent many of her summers at the Jersey Shore alongside her cousins, which was a cherished time in her life.

Her family fondly remembers her as a stylish teen, with a sharp eye for fashion and a natural talent for home decorating. Drawn to the fine arts, she excelled in drawing and attended art school for a time. One of Mary Ann's lifelong passions was astrology. She not only studied the subject but also taught it in adult education classes. She went on to establish the New School of Astrological Study, where she helped others explore this fascinating field. She loved all animals, especially cats. As a highly sensitive soul, animal welfare and protection were extremely important to her.

On May 14, 1972, Mary Ann married William ("Bill") Crimmins. They lived in Jersey City and later moved to Roselle before finally settling into their dream home in Ocean, New Jersey, where they spent the last 20 years of their lives together. Both loved travelling and visited many locales in the US and Europe. In April 2019, Mary Ann was diagnosed with cancer. She faced her illness with tremendous strength and bravery, enduring all the treatments and challenges that came with it.

Tragically, in the midst of her own battle, she lost her beloved son, Adam, on February 3, 2024. The grief of losing him was overwhelming, as no parent expects to outlive their child.

While still mourning Adam's loss, Mary Ann's health began to decline as her cancer became more aggressive and unresponsive to treatment. Through it all, her devoted husband, Bill was by her side, caring for her every need. Her final months were filled with pain, but she found comfort in receiving the Sacraments regularly, thanks to the compassionate care of Father Brian Butch, who brought her communion frequently. Mary Ann passed away peacefully on October 14, 2024 finding rest in the arms of her Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

She is survived by her loving husband, William Crimmins, her cherished daughter Julie Crimmins, her sister Jessie Chiccone, her brother-in-law Thomas Crimmins, her sister-in-law Suzanne Crimmins, and many dear cousins, nieces, and nephews.

She was predeceased by her parents Josephine and Anthony Baraso, and her beloved son, Adam Crimmins.

A memorial visitation will be held 10am - 11:30am Wednesday, October 23, 2024, at St Anselm's Church in Tinton Falls, New Jersey, followed by a memorial mass at 11:30 at St. Anselm's. Repast to follow. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to Memorial Sloan Kettering, or <http://www.LadyFreethinker.org>, or [www.SaveaCat.org](http://www.SaveaCat.org).

# Cemetery Details

**Private**

## Previous Events

### Memorial Gathering

OCT **23**. 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM (ET)

Church of Saint Anselm  
1028 Wayside Rd  
Tinton Falls, NJ 07712-3146  
(732) 493-4411

### Memorial Mass

OCT **23**. 11:30 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ So sorry for your loss Bill and family. May her soul rest in eternal peace.



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**Alisha Hartunian** - October 17, 2024 at 04:46 PM

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“ Bongarzone Funeral Home lit a candle in memory of MaryAnn Crimmins



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**Bongarzone Funeral Home** - October 16, 2024 at 09:30 PM