



Giuseppa "Josie" Russo

March 14, 1953 - April 5, 2020

Giuseppa "Josie" Russo, age 67, passed away on April 5, 2020 at her residence in Nokesville, Virginia.

She was born on March 14, 1953 in Italy to the late Salvatore and Rosalia (Troia) Mannino.

Josie was the Owner and Head Baker of cakes at Giuseppe's Italian Restaurant, Haymarket, VA.

Survivors include her loving husband of 50 years, Giuseppe Russo of Nokesville, VA; three children: Gioacchino Russo and wife Jenny of Winter Park, FL; Connie Rogers and husband Samuel of Marshall, VA; and Salvatore Russo of Warrenton, VA; grandchildren: Austin Rogers and wife Katie, Jacob Rogers, Olivia Rogers, Gabriel Rogers, Jack Russo, Joe Russo and Mia Russo; great grandchildren: Gracelynn, Carson and Jaxson Rogers; one sister: Stephanie Grigoli of Newark, DE; and numerous nieces and nephews.

A Private family entombment will take place at Stonewall Memory Gardens. A Celebration of Life will be held at a later date.

Condolences may be sent to: www.piercefh.com

Cemetery Details

Stonewall Memory Gardens

12004 Lee Highway
Manassas, VA 20109
<http://www.stonewallmemorygardens.com>

Tribute Wall

RO

“ Joe, Sal, and family;
Mikki and I wish to express our deepest sorrows, compassion, and support to you in this most difficult of times. We are so terribly sad and emotionally moved by your tragic loss of Josie. We truly considered her to be a dear friend. We shall always remember her compassion for and dedication to your family. We found the way in which she handled her illness to be wonderfully inspiring and motivating. She was truly a wonderful woman who shall never be forgotten! We hold you up in our thoughts and prayers for comfort, strength, and peace. May Josie rest in peace.
With warmest respect and caring thoughts, Richard and Mikki O'Saben.

Richard O'Saben - April 15, 2020 at 09:03 PM

DA

“ We're so sorry for your families loss.
Jim and Dawn

Dawn - April 15, 2020 at 12:30 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of
Giuseppa "Josie" Russo.



April 13, 2020 at 09:15 PM

DS

“ I'm so sorry for your family's loss. Josie was a beautiful person I meet her in the 90s at a fitness center in Manassas while chatting away walking on the treadmill. We love going to the restaurant she always had a smile. Prayers ❤️❤️🙏

Doris Shevitz - April 10, 2020 at 12:31 PM



“ Meat & Cheese Sympathy Gift Crate was purchased for the family of Giuseppa "Josie" Russo.



April 10, 2020 at 12:12 PM

LS

“ Josie always had a smile and a cheerful greeting. During her long illness she showed great courage and class We will always remember her Leo and Jan Scolforo and family

leo scolforo - April 09, 2020 at 10:02 PM

JA

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Jaclyn - April 09, 2020 at 05:08 PM

TF

“ *The Conigliaro Family purchased the Gracious Lavender Basket for the family of Giuseppa "Josie" Russo.*



The Conigliaro Family - April 09, 2020 at 09:52 AM



“ *Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Giuseppa "Josie" Russo.*



April 09, 2020 at 08:42 AM



“ *Ghirardelli & Fruit Condolences Gift Basket was purchased for the family of Giuseppa "Josie" Russo.*



April 08, 2020 at 07:04 PM

LD

“ *Several years ago, I went into Guiseppe's for a late lunch with my daughter. I met Josie and she and I talked about our families - I told her about my son. She said send him in, we would love to meet him, we can use the help. Since then, we have gotten to know the friendly hard-working Russo family and watched as Josie persevered in this terrible disease called cancer. She was brave and strong and did not stop coming into the restaurant until she had no choice. Josie was always warm, welcoming, and helpful with a great soft smile. She will be so very missed.*

L. Dodge - April 08, 2020 at 03:08 PM

SF

Josie always gave me a smile and hug when I came in. I will miss her. Rest In Peace, Josie, you are loved by so many.

Sandi Franco - April 08, 2020 at 05:20 PM

DS

“ *Hi, Josie - I am so very sorry to learn of your struggle for the past few years with your illness. It's just not fair that you were taken at such a young age, and that you had to suffer so much. I will always cherish our friendship, going to the spa together and working together at your restaurant. I am very grateful for the opportunity to work with you at a such strategic time in my life. To Joe and the kids, I send my sad condolences. I know you are hurting so badly right now, and I share your grief at having lost such an important person in your life. Sending Love and hugs, Donna Skellchock 4-8-2020*

Donna Skellchock - April 08, 2020 at 12:41 PM

FD

“ From Haymarket Mayor, Council, Staff & Police Dept purchased the Bountiful Rose Basket for the family of Giuseppa "Josie" Russo.



From Haymarket Mayor, Council, Staff & Police Dept - April 08, 2020 at 11:24 AM

LM

“ Lynn McLaughlin lit a candle in memory of Giuseppa "Josie" Russo



Lynn McLaughlin - April 07, 2020 at 11:18 PM

SB

“ Sue (sachek) Brooks lit a candle in memory of Giuseppa "Josie" Russo



Sue (sachek) Brooks - April 07, 2020 at 08:02 PM

PL

“ Josie was a beautiful, sweet woman. I remember when ever I cam to the place in Gainesville either with Ronnie or me and mom she would say Patty I'll tell Joe to make your pizza turnover. She always knew. Her and Joe were my brothers best friends. Special place now for a very special Lady!

Patty Lawrence-Woodard - April 07, 2020 at 07:46 PM

CC

“ Joe & family - the memory of Josie brings an instant smile. She was a sweet, kind, honest & caring soul; her smile & light will be missed dearly. Prayers for your peace & comfort.



Chris Cercy - April 07, 2020 at 06:36 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Giuseppa "Josie" Russo.



April 07, 2020 at 05:51 PM

GD

“ Each time I saw Josie I asked her if she fed the horses and cows. Each time she said yes and both of us would laugh. She was like a buddy to me, a dear friend. Thank you for all the wonderful memories you left me, we will see you again someday. Our sincere condolences to Joe, Sal and their families. Daddy Frank and family.



Georgetta Dickerson - April 07, 2020 at 05:05 PM



“ Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Giuseppa "Josie" Russo.



April 07, 2020 at 03:28 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Giuseppa "Josie" Russo.*



April 07, 2020 at 03:27 PM



“ *Mr. Russo, Jack, Connie and little Sal, my husband and I are praying for your comfort daily. I loved being around your house and the pizza shop throughout high school and after. Connie and I were inseparable for many years and it was always so special to be around your family. I saw so much love in Josie for each of you. I was so grateful for the kindness she always showed me. I loved being Connies Maid of Honor and every minute of the family's celebrations. She was full of love and kindness and a beautiful example of a wife and mother. It's a wonderful Comfort to know that she is Home with Christ and at peace. Prayers for your healing ❤️ Teri Smith (aka Teresa Scalici)*

Teri Erickson Smith - April 07, 2020 at 03:14 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Giuseppa "Josie" Russo.*



April 07, 2020 at 03:05 PM

SF

“ Sarah (Brooks) Larkin & family purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Giuseppa "Josie" Russo.



Sarah (Brooks) Larkin & family - April 07, 2020 at 02:13 PM

SC

“ May god bless you all during this time XO Josie was a wonderful woman with beautiful soul ❤️

Sharmon Coon - April 07, 2020 at 01:43 PM



“ Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Giuseppa "Josie" Russo.



April 07, 2020 at 12:53 PM

PE

“ Dear Josie's family-I am sad to have lost my long time friend. We met joining a Gym offering 2 for 1 membership at the Kmart shopping center in 1979...Shared laughs, food(well dah), new babies, and friendship. God has a new angel in heaven and she will be watching over all her beautiful family from above. Love to you all from Texas. So glad I got to spend time in December visiting with her.

Patti Edgar - April 07, 2020 at 12:47 PM

LM

“ We will miss you.
Linda and Jimmy

Linds Marden - April 07, 2020 at 12:37 PM

SD

“ Josie had a beautiful soul. She will be dearly missed.



Stephanie Dickson - April 07, 2020 at 12:18 PM

TK

“ Troy Kaster purchased the Sweet Tenderness for the family of Giuseppa "Josie" Russo.



Troy Kaster - April 07, 2020 at 12:12 PM



“ Shayna Heeter purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Giuseppa "Josie" Russo.



Shayna Heeter - April 07, 2020 at 11:47 AM



“ *Shayna Heeter lit a candle in memory of Giuseppa "Josie" Russo*



Shayna Heeter - April 07, 2020 at 11:42 AM



“ *One of the nicest people we have ever known. First class and a very dear friend, who always had a smile on her face!! We will miss you !!! God bless you!!! The Canifords*

Terry Caniford - April 07, 2020 at 11:30 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Giuseppa "Josie" Russo.*



April 07, 2020 at 10:16 AM



“ *Guisseppi's - such a favorite place of ours when we lived in VA. Josie was always so pleasant and kind even when she was suffering. Her smile was the first thing that greeted us when we entered the restaurant. A lovely lady - she will be fondly remembered. We send thoughts and prayers to you, Joe, and to the rest of the family.*

Coach and Joyce Madison - April 06, 2020 at 03:54 PM

KK

We first met Josie, Joe and Sal in 1992 soon after moving to Gainesville. Visits to their restaurant soon became a frequent and joyous family routine, often with them, particularly Josie, sitting down with us to share stories and family happenings. As their business grew, so did the close and warm friendship. She, and Joe, were so kind and warm to my father in his final years and that meant more than they could ever know. We cherish those wonderful memories with this wonderful, loving lady. God bless you Josie and we extend our sincere condolences to Joe and your beautiful family.

Kathy Kulick - April 07, 2020 at 10:26 AM

BA

I've known Jossie for over 30. We first met at the gym where we worked hard and laughed harder. Our lives paths crossed many times over the years. She I'll be missed 😭😭

barbara - April 07, 2020 at 12:53 PM

LY

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Lydlaw@aol.com - April 08, 2020 at 02:03 PM

MP

My husband and I were always happy to see Josie sitting out front in the restaurant because that meant we would get a chance to talk to her. She was always happy to see us and was always cheerful. We will miss her smile. Our thoughts and prayers are with Joe and the rest of the family and employees.

Margie and Terry Price

Margie Price - April 10, 2020 at 12:16 PM

MK

Oh, dear, sweet Josie. My husband just told me yesterday that Josie had died because, as he picked up our dinner, he saw all of the flowers. A bright, shining star has left this universe and we are all saddened by this. She was such a friendly, kind, good person with that cheerful smile always. We will miss seeing her at the restaurant. Our hearts go out to this family at this huge loss too all of them.

Marti Katz - April 12, 2020 at 01:38 PM

JB

Josie will be missed, when we visited our family in Haymarket we always went to Joe's and she would be there always with a smile and friendly hugs. Her family has an angel looking down on them. RIP sweet Josie, prayers are with you all. Bauers from Pa.

JOHN BAUER - April 13, 2020 at 04:30 PM