



Mrs. Rosa Pia Latrofa of Addison

August 5, 1937 - March 4, 2023

Rosa Pia Latrofa, 85, of Addison, Illinois.

Loving wife of Domenico Latrofa; cherished mother of Clara Marie (Kevin) Carver, Pasquale "Lino" Latrofa and Fil Latrofa; devoted sister of Joseph (Stella) Crudele, Pasquale (Gulia) Crudele, Rachele (the late Mario) Zanetti and the late Nick (Grace) Crudele.

Rosa Pia was born in Triggiano, Bari Italia to her parent's Felice & Madia Crudele. There were 5 siblings total, including herself. She moved to Chicago in the late 50's with her parents & siblings via boat to start a better life in America. Her grandfather had made a life here & invited his family to join him. She returned to Italy for a brief time to marry my dad & then came back to America to started her own family.

She had 3 children, 2 boys & a girl. No grandchildren which she longed having one day. Rosa Pia and Domenico were inseparable. They did everything together. Domenico always took incredible care of her even in her darkest health battles till the very end. He was her "ROCK", he never abandoned her EVER!

Rosa Pia had a hard core passion for swimming in her younger years. She often would dive off cliffs & swam miles out into the Adriatic Sea of Italy. She

loved being in or around water. Her mother would often send out boats after her thinking she would someday drown but mom sent them away as she would swim back peacefully to land on her own.

She owned 2 homes in Fort Lauderdale, Florida where again, she would walk to the beach & enjoy the water. She loved meeting & chatting with people along the way to the beachside. She would be in her glory living in Florida to avoid long Chicago winters. She never wanted to return home to Chicago until Domenico would strong arm her to return to deal with other choirs needing attending to....who could blame her for wanting to leave the warm sunny weather...

Each day, she would attend Mass at the Catholic church on the corner before her walk to the beach. She earned a cosmetology license & dabbled in doing hair after coming to America for a while. She absolutely loved flowers of any kind whether fresh or in the version of jewelry, on her clothing, a brooch, around her neck etc....

She worked at "Echo" for a decade before retiring to raise her 3 children. She moved out of the city of Chicago to the suburb of Addison for the duration of her life where she would often visit with many of her neighbors. She would garden alongside Domenico enjoying the fruits & vegetables in the yard they grew together. Weather permitting, she liked sitting on the patio chatting with my dad or with many of the neighbors that would drop by.

She was kind hearted & loved her family very much & wanted them nearby her as much as possible. She was a Huge Worrier & wanted the best for her family. She was a faithful & spiritual woman & loved God. We hope she is sitting at the table with our Lord praying for her family that loved her dearly & will one day embrace her again.

Rosa Pia and Domenico were active in the Italian Federation at Villa Scalabrini. Rosa Pia loved going to their dances & picnics engaging with many old time friends & watching Domenico carry the Madonna in processions during worshipping the blessed mother.

In her last hours of life with family, she was ever so grateful for her Nurse Genna who would come & take enormous care, love & extra time towards making her & our family comfortable.

Her last few words she uttered to her family when she was still able to speak was that “she would miss us”. Well, we miss you mom so much & hope you are in a much better place resting next to Jesus.

We know how hard it was for you to leave your family behind because you worried so much for us. We promise to take care of daddy in your place while you are gone.

We love you & we embrace you & are so very sorry you had so much suffering on this earth that we could not make better. May God Bless your soul in heaven!! May you rest in peace!

Family and friends are asked to meet at St. Philip the Apostle Catholic Church, 1233 W. Holtz Ave, Addison, IL 60101 on Friday, March 10, 2023 for a visitation from 12:00 P.M. till time of Mass of Christian burial at 1:00 P.M. Entombment to follow at All Saints Cemetery, Des Plaines, Illinois.

During the lent season the church does not allow flowers.

The Latrofa family has created this Life Tributes page to make it easy to share your memories, photos and videos. For further information please contact the

Morizzo Funeral Directors at 847.752.6444. Arrangements entrusted to Morizzo Funeral Home and Cremation Services, at 2550 West Hassell Road, (Northeast corner at Barrington Road), Hoffman Estates, Illinois 60169.

For those of you that would have attended services and would like to express your condolences to the Latrofa family, please click on the link above and you can leave the Latrofa family a message, with the share a memory link. If you wish to send a Sympathy Card to the Family, please feel free to send it to Morizzo Funeral Home, 2550 Hassell Road, Hoffman Estates, Illinois, 60169 c/o The Latrofa Family; we will gladly forward it on to the family.

Cemetery Details

All Saints Catholic Cemetery in Des Plaines

701 North River Road
Des Plaines, IL 60016
(847) 298-0450
<https://www.catholiccemeterieschicago.org/locations/all-saints/>

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 10. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (CT)

St. Philip the Apostle Catholic Church
1223 W. Holtz Ave
Addison, IL 60101

Mass of Christian Burial

MAR 10. 1:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ I was very sad to hear about Rosa. My deepest sympathies go to her family. I will miss her, Domenico and Fil coming down to Ocean Garden Condo in Ft. Lauderdale and giving me a welcome back hug every season. I will also miss them as my next door neighbors always there with a kind hello or help when needed, to anyone living here. She will be missed!
Love, Hugs & God Bless, il tuo paesano Eilene DePaul 203.

Eilene DePaul - March 25, 2023 at 02:25 PM

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“ Sending our deepest condolences to the family.
From Joseph and Italia Zaccaro & family

Zaccaro - March 09, 2023 at 07:15 PM

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“ *Carissimo Domenico*
Ci dispiace così tanto della morte di Rosa Pia. Una bravissima persona. Speriamo bene che l'amore della famiglia e degli amici possa confortanti e rafforzarti nei prossimi giorni.
Tu hai fatto tutto per lei. Che Rosa riposi in pace nelle mani di Dio nostro Signore.
Le nostre più sentite condoglianze.
Renato "Ron" e Josephine Cipriani

Renato Cipriani - March 09, 2023 at 09:49 AM



“ *Ocean Garden Condominiums purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Mrs. Rosa Pia Latrofa of Addison.*



Ocean Garden Condominiums - March 08, 2023 at 07:40 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Mrs. Rosa Pia Latrofa of Addison.*



March 07, 2023 at 08:20 AM