

Gloucester City News Obituaries

November 2021

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Anna Marie Williams (Nov. 4th)

Anna Marie Williams (nee Orsuto) of Bellmawr passed away on October 4, 2021.

Beloved wife of Stanley H. Williams. Loving mother of Christopher & Michael (Katie) Williams. Also survived by her brother, John J. Orsuto Jr., sisters Teresa (Forrest) Urban and Debra (Anthony) Bersaglia, and nephews Nicholas & Dominick Bersaglia.

Relatives and friends attended her Graveside S in the Calvary Cemetery Mausoleum, Cherry Hill.

Antonios Ramoundos (Nov. 4th)

Antonios Ramoundos, 80, of Bellmawr passed away on October 24, 2021.

Devoted father of Mary Ramoundos of Bellmawr, Teddy (Emily) Ramoundos of Somers Point and Kostas Ramoundos of Bellmawr. Loving grandfather of Alexis and Anthony. Dear brother of Despina (Tony) Kantarakis, Helen Glinos and Irene Ramoundos. Predeceased by Dimitri, Anastasia and brother-in-law Jimmy Glinos. Also survived by many nieces, nephews and cousins.

Tony was born in Andros, Greece, and afterwards started his journey to America. He was in the Merchant Marines and traveled the world, he spoke many languages. Tony opened his first business as a concession stand in North Jersey, later moving to South Jersey and opening The Gloucester Diner, Colonial Inn and the famous Skippers Seafood Restaurant, along with many others.

He loved to travel with his family and share his memories. Tony educated himself through his love of reading. Many years ago he was President of the Korthion Andros Society and loved to help others in need. He will be missed dearly by all his family and friends. May his memory be eternal.

The Visitation and Funeral Services were celebrated in the St. Thomas Greek Orthodox Church, Cherry Hill. Interment was at Locustwood Memorial Park, Cherry Hill.

In lieu of flowers donations in his memory can be made to the National Kidney Foundation, 1500 Walnut St. Suite 301 Philadelphia, PA 19102.

Catherine L. Hecker (Nov. 4th)

Catherine Louise "Cass" Hecker (nee Buscher), 81, of Elkton, MD, formerly of Gloucester City and Thorofare, passed away on October 22, 2021.

Loving mother of Glenn Hecker and Shawn Hecker (Jody). Cherished grandmother of Jessica and Erin Hecker and great grandmother of Jayce Hecker and Luca Dilenge. Also survived by many loving nieces and nephews. Predeceased by her parents, William J. Buscher Sr. and Catherine C. Buscher (nee Bastien); and her brothers, William J. Buscher Jr. and Joseph Buscher (surviving Patricia Buscher).

Cass was a graduate of Gloucester Catholic High School Class of 1958. She worked many years as a receptionist for UFCW Local 1360 in Berlin.

Relatives and friends celebrated her life at her viewing and Mass of Christian Burial in St. Mary's Church, Gloucester City. Interment was in Eglington Cemetery, Clarksboro.

Funeral arrangements entrusted to the McCann-Healey Funeral Home, 851 Monmouth St., Gloucester City.

Erwin James Lafferty (Nov. 4th)

Erwin James Lafferty, 65, of Woodbury passed away on October 22, 2021.

Loving husband of 40 years to Jean Lafferty (nee Stout). Loving father of Colin and Chase Lafferty. Beloved brother of Patrick Lafferty (Marie), Robert Lafferty and Anthony Lafferty (Cathy). Predeceased by his parents, Anthony W. Lafferty and Evelyn Lafferty (nee Brynan). Also survived by his father-in-law, Raymond E. Stout Jr., sisters-in-law, Jill Pippet and Janet Goulet, and his loving nieces and nephews, who he always loved spending time with.

Jim started his fire service with New Sharon Fire Company in Deptford in 1981. He has been a proud member of Brooklawn Fire Company 344 for more than 10 years, where he was currently serving as assistant chief. Jim was a Life Member of the Camden County Firemen's Association. He enjoyed the time spent with the Boy scouts of Troop 295 and the Brooklawn Fire Department Explorers.

Relatives and friends attended his viewing and celebrated his life during the Funeral Services at Brooklawn Fire Company 344, 100 S. Wilson Ave., Brooklawn. Interment was private.

In lieu of flowers, donations are requested to support the education of his children, Colin and Chase, c/o Jean Lafferty, P.O. Box 358, Gloucester City, NJ 08030.

Funeral arrangements entrusted to the McCann-Healey Funeral Home, 851 Monmouth St., Gloucester City.

Florence H. Flood (Nov. 4th)

Florence H. Flood (nee Green), 93, of Barrington, formerly of Gloucester City, passed away on October 26, 2021.

Loving mother of Barbara Gendaszek (late Jack), Helen Wurst (Scott), Ernest Nelson (Sue) and the late Lindajean Rothwell. Cherished grandmother of John “Michael” Christopher, Julia Joshi (Rajen), Natasha Spears (Melanie) and great grandmother of Ryan and Erin Joshi. Predeceased by her husband, Edward Flood.

Relatives and friends attended her Visitation and Funeral Service celebrated at the McCann-Healey Funeral Home, 851 Monmouth St., Gloucester City. Interment was in New St. Mary’s Cemetery, Bellmawr.

Frances R. Thomas (Nov. 4th)

Frances Rita Thomas, 91, of Lewes, DE, formerly of Gloucester City and Gettysburg, PA, passed away peacefully at home on October 19, 2021 surrounded by her family and overlooking her beautiful bay.

Frances was born on March 27, 1930, the daughter of the late John E. and Esther M. (Ace) Jackson. She was predeceased by her husband of 45 years, Robert. She is survived by her children, Robert (Jam’y), Jeffrey and Frances (Dave), as well as four grandsons: Rob, Owen, Robert and Mathew.

Frances retired as a special education teacher. Throughout her life, she taught generations of handicapped children through the National Learn to Swim Campaign. She enjoyed life on the water, especially boating and fishing. She was always involved in community affairs and enjoyed painting and ceramics. Frances is greatly loved and will be sorely missed by all who knew her. There is now another angel in Heaven.

Her Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated in St. Francis Xavier Church, Gettysburg, with Fr. Aaron Lynch officiating. Entombment was in Oaklawn Memorial Gardens, Gettysburg.

Funeral arrangements entrusted to the Peters Funeral Home, Gettysburg.

Gerald R. Murphy Jr. (Nov. 4th)

Gerald R. Murphy Jr., 60, of Gloucester City passed away on October 23, 2021.

Loving husband of 38 years to Sherle Murphy (nee Bramble). Loving father of Adam Baker (Candice), Gerald R. Murphy, III and Brianna Murphy (Andrew). Cherished grandfather of Arianna, Brenden, Camryn, Rylie, Kyla and Lucas. Beloved brother of Michael Murphy (Marie), Debbie Mason and Joan Keith (late Frank). Also survived by many loving nieces and nephews. Predeceased by his parents, Gerald R. Murphy, Sr. and Anna Murphy; and his sister and brother-in-law, Peggy and Mike Ribchinsky. Also survived by many loving nieces and nephews.

Jerry was a graduate of Gloucester High School Class of 1979. He was an electrician for 38 years with I.B.E.W Local 98 in Philadelphia.

Jerry was a member of the Sons of American Legion Post 72 in Brooklawn. He was a dedicated president and district administrator for Little League District 14. Jerry enjoyed golfing and darts and was a fan of the Phillies, Sixers and Eagles.

Relatives, friends and fellow union members attended his Visitation at the McCann-Healey Funeral Home, 851 Monmouth St., Gloucester City. Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated in St. Mary's Church, Gloucester City. Interment was in New St. Mary's Cemetery, Bellmawr.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to District 14 Little League NJ, 105 5th Ave., Mount Ephraim NJ 08059 or to the Sons of American Legion, 11 Railroad Ave., Brooklawn, NJ 08030. Please memo, Gerald R. Murphy, Jr.

Helen Tricocci (Nov. 4th)

Helen Tricocci (nee Frugoli), 82, of Gloucester City passed away on October 27, 2021.

Loving wife of 57 years to the late Robert J. Tricocci. Loving mother of Robert F. Tricocci (Monica), Daniel J. Tricocci and William C. Tricocci (Kathy). Cherished grandmother of Giana Tricocci, Lina Tricocci and Kathleen Tricocci, and great-grandmother of Lilly, Camellia and Dahlia. Also survived by many loving nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Helen was a lifelong faithful and devoted parishioner of St. Mary's Church in Gloucester City. She was a longtime secretary to the principal at Gloucester Catholic High School.

Relatives and friends are invited to her viewing Saturday, Nov. 6, from 9:45 to 11:45 a.m. in St. Mary's Church, 426 Monmouth St., Gloucester City, where the Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 12 noon. Interment in New St. Mary's Cemetery, Bellmawr, will be private.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to: Msgr. Lucitt's Needy Children's Fund, P.O. Box 87, Gloucester City or to Bayada Hospice of Burlington County, 503A Birchfield Dr, Mt Laurel Township, NJ 08054 or to Gloucester Catholic High School: 333 Ridgeway Street, Gloucester City, NJ 08030. Please memo: Helen F. Tricocci.

Funeral arrangements entrusted to the McCann-Healey Funeral Home, 851 Monmouth St., Gloucester City.

Raymond J. Amato (Nov. 4th)

Raymond J. Amato of Bellmawr passed away on October 21., 2021.

The loving father of Jeana Foster (Gordon), Christian Amato (Lynn), and Cory Amato, he was predeceased by his son, Raymond J. Amato. He was the cherished grandfather of Addison, Lilia, and Sebastian. He is also survived by his sister, Bernadette Fitzpatrick (John), as well as many nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his sister, Arlene Amato.

Raymond was a member of the Knights of Columbus in Camden and the Holy Child Council #1209. He enjoyed taking trips to the Jersey shore to go fishing and crabbing.

As an avid Chicago Bears and Philadelphia Eagles and Phillies fan, he would wear one of these jerseys with a soft pretzel or Tastycake in hand. Ray had a passion for cooking pasta, his famous spaghetti and crabs, and his gravy which he referred to as “essence.”

As a loving grandfather, he would always have candy and cookies for the kids, and dog biscuits for the puppies. He was always up for a Slurpee run or willing to share his meal with the dogs when people were not looking. He will be deeply missed by all of his family and friends.

Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated St. Charles Borromeo Church, Drexel Hill, PA. Interment was at the Holy Cross Cemetery, 626 Baily Rd., Yeadon, PA 19050.

Walter W. Jost (Nov. 4th)

Walter W. Jost, 94, of Gloucester City passed away on October 26, 2021.

Predeceased by his beloved wife, Jean. Loving father of William W Johnson and wife Debbie, Barry Jost and wife Christa, and the late Walter W Jost Jr. Cherished grandfather of 10 and great-grandfather of 10.

A lifelong resident, Walter served as the mayor of Gloucester City in the early 1990s. A graduate of Gloucester City High School, he was involved in the city and always showed care and concern for his family and citizens. Walt was committed and shared his experience in local government, numerous organizations and committees throughout the years.

He had a major interest in the youth of the city and had been active in the Cub Scouts and the Boys Scouts for many years. He received two outstanding awards for his service to the youth: the District District Award of Merit and the Silver Beaver Award from the National Council of the Boy Scouts of America.

Walter was a real estate broker for over 25 years and also worked as a radio technician for WIP radio. He was a studio supervisor for WMMR in Philadelphia and worked for WYSP doing Philadelphia Eagles football.

A WWII U.S. Marine Corps veteran, Walter was also active in his community church – serving as financial secretary and on the Board of Deacons. He was a member of the Merchantville Lodge #119, Palestine Lodge #135 and served on the Gloucester City Planning Board, Celebrations Committee, Rotary Club, Amateur Radio Club, Emergency Communications Group and various community services.

Relatives and friends are invited to his viewing on Friday, Nov. 5, from 9 to 11 a.m. at Creran Celebration Etherington & Creran Funeral Homes, 700 Powell St., Gloucester City. Private burial at Brigadier General William C. Doyle Memorial Cemetery to follow.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made to: Autism New Jersey, 500 Horizon Dr., Suite 530, Robbinsville, NJ 08691; or to Ronald McDonald House, Southern New Jersey, 550 Mickle Blvd., Camden, NJ 08103. Please write Walter W, Jost on the memo line.

Alice T. Jones (Nov. 11th)

Alice T. Jones (nee Bednarchik), 85, of Runnemede passed away on October 30, 2021.

Beloved wife of the late Richard F. Devoted mother of Alicia Slattery (David), Richard Jones (Michelle), and Maria Nocchi (David). Loving Nan of Rachel, Allie, Luke, Sofia, Peter, Evalina, Andrew, Maeve, and Matthew. Dear sister of Walter Bednarchik (Genny) and the late Stanley Bednarchik, Tony Bednarchik, and sister-in-law of Betty Bednarchik and Anna Bednarchik. Also survived by dear nieces, nephews, friends and neighbors.

Alice was an active member of the Altar Rosary Society and Runnemede Senior Club. Alice was a dedicated employee at Ruth's Hallmark in Deptford for 30 years.

The viewing was in the Gardner Funeral Home, 126 S. Black Horse Pike, Runnemede. The Funeral Mass was celebrated at the St. Maria Goretti Church, Runnemede. Interment was in St. Joseph Cemetery, Chews Landing.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Alice's name to the Altar Rosary Society at Holy Child Parish, 13 E Evesham Road, Runnemede, 08078.

Dennis W. Hart (Nov. 11th)

Dennis W Hart, 82, of Gloucester City, known as the “The Sewing Machine Man” owner of Expert Sewing Machine Repairs, passed peacefully November 2, 2021, with his family by his side.

Predeceased by his ex-wife Shirley Powell Hart Prepsel, and his brothers Benjamin, Eugene, and Robert Hart. Survived by his children Joseph Hart and Denise Hart-Mazur (Mark), and his doting girlfriend Virginia Gordon. Loving Poppy to Louis (Kylie), and James Hart, Jeremy (Molly), Douglas and Jillian Mazur. Great Poppy to Charlotte Hart and Uncle Dennis to many family and friends.

Dennis was the second son born to Charles and Lois (nee Nichols) Hart. He was born in Delaware Township and lived in Camden where he attended Woodrow Wilson High School, Class of 1956. He served in the U.S. Army from 1961-63 in field artillery. He returned home, started his business, and raised his family with Shirley in Gloucester City. Dennis was one of the “old neighborhood” dads, becoming a 2nd second dad to many.

His main focus in life was his family, his business and his customers. In his later years, Dennis spent a majority of his time with his girlfriend Virginia. He enjoyed a good western movie, watching boxing and MMA, always working on beating the lottery many times, along with playing cards with his poker club friends. He always had a gentle way about him with a quick humor and always ready to help.

The viewing and funeral ceremony were at the Creran Celebration Etherington & Creran Funeral Homes, Gloucester City. Interment was private.

Eileen P. Aldridge (Nov. 11th)

Eileen P. Aldridge (nee Colantuono), 75 of Gloucester City, passed away at Cooper Hospital in Camden on Monday Nov. 1, 2021.

The Aldridge family has chosen to share their heartfelt memories privately.

Helena M. Howard (Nov. 11th)

Helena M. Howard (nee Zigman), 79, of Bellmawr, formerly of Philadelphia, passed away on October 30, 2021.

Beloved wife of the late John E. Howard III. Devoted mother of Lisa Parto (Frank), Victoria Clark (Michael), and John Howard. Loving grandmother of Christina, Jessica, Courtney, Christopher, Tanya, and Helena, and great grandmother of Scarlett, Carmella, and one on the way. Dear sister of Theresa Cangelosi (Joe) and MaryAnn Woerz (Mike). Also survived by many nieces and nephews.

Helena was a big fan of the Food Network. She loved jewelry, shopping, and especially loved her dog, Maxine. Most of all, Helena loved spending time with her family.

The Viewing and Funeral Mass were celebrated in the Annunciation BVM Church, Bellmawr. Interment was at New St. Mary's Cemetery, Bellmawr.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Helena's memory to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105 or to the charity of the donor's choice.

Funeral arrangements entrusted to the Gardner Funeral Home, 126 S. Black Horse Pike, Runnemede.

Jean A. Reeves (Nov. 11th)

Jean A. Reeves, 53, a lifelong resident of Bellmawr, passed away on October 23, 2021.

Devoted daughter of the late Barbara Reeves. Loving godmother of Michael Bumbera of Burlington, and dear cousin of Sandy Buckley, Faith Ann and Donald Saltiel of California and Martin Saltiel of Washington.

Jean was a graduate of Triton High School and worked as an elder care assistant. She was an avid Phillies and Flyers fan, as well as a Cowboys fan, although no one held it against her. Jean enjoyed going to concerts and was a huge fan of Katy Perry, Pat Benatar and Donnie and Marie.

She had a passion for everything Disney and had all the Disney treasures to prove it. Family was very important to Jean and she was very interested in researching her family history. Jean was a one-of-a-kind person with a good heart, and had a special devotion to her dogs. She will be missed by her family, friends, and neighbors.

A Memorial Service was celebrated at Kain-Murphy Funeral Services, Haddonfield. Interment was in Lakeview Memorial Park, Cinnaminson.

In lieu of flowers, donations in memory of Jean may be made to the Voorhees Animal Orphanage, 419 Cooper Rd, Voorhees Township, NJ 08043. (www.vaonj.org/support/donate/).

Joseph W. Piechowski Sr. (Nov. 11th)

Joseph W. Piechowski Sr., 75, of Bellmawr passed away on October 29, 2021.

Beloved husband of Pat (nee Loftus) of 52 years. Devoted father of Joseph Jr. (Colleen), Colleen Gallagher (Thomas), and John (Theresa). Loving grandfather of Matt, Drew, Grace, Patrick, Riley, Reagan, Keira, and Jack. Dear brother of Patricia Phillips (the late Frank) and Colleen Robinson (Chris). Predeceased by his parents Walter and Mildred Piechowski. Also survived by many cousins, nieces, and nephews.

Joe worked for the Camden County Sherriff's Department for 25 years. He was a member of the Fraternal Order of Police, Bellmawr Men's Club, and VFW #7410. His grandkids were the light of his life and he loved going to their many sporting events. Joe enjoyed golfing and watching the Phillies and Notre Dame football. He was a graduate of Gloucester Catholic High School Class of 1965 and received his Bachelors from Fairmont State University in 1969.

The Visitation and Funeral Mass were celebrated in Annunciation BVM Church, Bellmawr. Interment was in New St. Mary's Cemetery, Bellmawr.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Joseph's memory to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place Memphis, TN 38105 (www.stjude.org).

Funeral arrangements entrusted to the Gardner Funeral Home, 126 S. Black Horse Pike, Runnemede.

Robert J. Francesconi (Nov. 11th)

Robert J. Francesconi, 62, of Gloucester City passed away on November 1, 2021, after a long illness.

Beloved son of the late William and Katherine Francesconi. Loving brother of William (Deanna), James (Lori), Teresa and the late Richard (Diane) Francesconi. He is also survived by nieces and nephews.

Robert graduated from Cherry Hill High School West. He was a plumber with the United Association of Plumbers Local 322, for many years. Robert was a big Flyers fan and played hockey as a Junior Flyer when he was young. He was always the life of the party and was called Bobby Quest by his friends.

Robert's services and interment will be private.

Susan Spano (Nov. 11th)

Susan Spano (nee Van Fossen), 63, of Bellmawr, passed away on Sunday, October 31, 2021.

Beloved wife of the late Steven Spano and fiance to Jerry Verfaillie. Loving mother to Christopher Spano (Nicole); loving Mom-Mom to Teaghan; beloved daughter of Lee and deceased father Donald Van Fossen; stepdaughter to Tim Barrett; loving sister to Deb, Don and Rob; and aunt to many loving nieces and nephews. The Visitation and Memorial Mass were celebrated in Annunciation Church, Bellmawr.

Thomas J. O'Donnell Jr. (Nov. 11th)

Thomas J. O'Donnell Jr., 88, longtime resident of Gloucester City, surrounded by his loving family at home, passed away peacefully on October 30, 2021.

Loving and devoted husband of 56 years to the late Kathleen T. O'Donnell (nee Delahunty). Loving father of Dr. Deborah Mulgrew (Joseph), the late Kevin B. O'Donnell (surviving Vicki), Kelly Duffy (John), Tricia Cunningham (the late Steve McNulty), Michael O'Donnell (Denise) and Thomas E. O'Donnell, Esq. (Ruth). Cherished grandfather of 16 and great grandfather of 11. Beloved brother of Lee O'Donnell (Peg) and brother-in-law of the late John and Margaret Jagielski. Also survived by many loving nieces, nephews and cousins.

Tom was a graduate of Camden Catholic High School class of 1951. He proudly served our country in the U.S. Army. Tom had a successful career as an electronics engineer working over 30 years for Telesciences in Moorestown. He was a faithful and devoted parishioner of St. Mary's Church and longtime member of Gloucester City Knights of Columbus #674. Tom volunteered many years for Gloucester City Little League and was a devoted fan of both Gloucester High School and Gloucester Catholic Sports. Tom had a passion for gardening and was a diehard Phillies fan.

Relatives and friends are invited to his viewing on Friday morning, November 5th, from 8:30 to 11 AM at the McCANN-HEALEY FUNERAL HOME: 851 Monmouth St., Gloucester City. Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 11:30 AM in St. Mary's R.C. Church, 426 Monmouth St., Gloucester City. Interment with military honors will follow in New St. Mary's Cemetery, Bellmawr.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorial donations to St. Mary's Church, 420 Monmouth Street, Gloucester City, NJ 08030. Please write in the memo: Thomas J. O'Donnell, Jr.

Condolences and Memories may be shared at www.mccannhealey.com under the obituary of Thomas J. O'Donnell, Jr. Funeral Arrangements and Inquiries through: McCANN-HEALEY FUNERAL HOME: 851 Monmouth Street, Gloucester City. Ph: 856-456-1142

Anthony J. Vroblesky Jr. (Nov. 18th)

Anthony J. Vroblesky Jr., 73, of Bellmawr passed away on November 4, 2021.

Dear brother of Margaret Vroblesky. Cousin of Diane Lusk and Ginny, John and Don Vroblesky. Nephew of Alex Vroblesky. Godfather of Gabriella, Kirsten, Marc, and Brielle. Son of the late Anthony and Margaret. Also survived by many friends and their children who were like family to him.

Tony was a Purple Heart recipient after serving in the Vietnam War as part of the Army Air Cavalry. He enjoyed music, reading and listening to audiobooks.

The Visitation and Memorial Mass were celebrated at the Annunciation Church, Bellmawr. Inurnment was at New Saint Mary's Cemetery, Bellmawr.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the National Kidney Foundation, 30 East 33rd Street, New York, NY 10016 (www.kidney.org).

Funeral arrangements entrusted to the Gardner Funeral Home, 126 S. Black Horse Pike, Runnemede.

Helen F. Tricocci (Nov. 18th)

Helen F. Tricocci (nee Frugoli), 82, of Gloucester City passed away on October 27, 2021.

Loving wife of 57 years to the late Robert J. Tricocci. Loving mother of Robert F. Tricocci (Monica), Daniel J. Tricocci and William C. Tricocci (Kathy). Cherished grandmother of Giana Tricocci, Lina Tricocci and Kathleen Tricocci and great-grandmother of Lilly, Camellia and Dahlia. Also survived by many loving nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Helen was a lifelong faithful and devoted parishioner of St. Mary's Church in Gloucester City. She was the secretary to the principal at Gloucester Catholic High School for 37 years.

Relatives and friends attended her viewing and Mass of Christian Burial, which was celebrated at St. Mary's Church, Gloucester City. Interment at New St. Mary's Cemetery, Bellmawr, was private.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to: Msgr. Lucitt's Needy Children's Fund, P.O. Box 87, Gloucester City or to Bayada Hospice of Burlington County, 503A Birchfield Dr, Mt Laurel Township, NJ 08054 or to Gloucester Catholic High School: 333 Ridgeway Street, Gloucester City, NJ 08030. Please memo: Helen F. Tricocci.

Funeral arrangements entrusted to the McCann-Healey Funeral Home, 851 Monmouth St., Gloucester City.

John R. Lombardi Jr. (Nov. 18th)

John R. Lombardi Jr., 81, of Voorhees, formerly of Camden, passed away on November 6, 2021.

John is survived by his cousin, David Farace. He was a freelance writer for *Esquire*, *Rolling Stone* and the *New York Times*. John taught at Haverford College.

Catholic Graveside Services were be celebrated at the Calvary Cemetery, Cherry Hill

Funeral arrangements entrusted to the McCann-Healey Funeral Home, 851 Monmouth St., Gloucester City.

Margaret A. Saunders (Nov. 18th)

Margaret A. Saunders (nee Pine), 87, of Gloucester City passed away on November 1, 2021.

Loving wife of 60 years to the late Ralph J. Saunders Jr. Cherished mother of Ralph J. Saunders, III, Maureen A. (Denis) Moran, Raymond Edward Saunders and the late David R. Saunders. Beloved grandmother of Ralph IV, Rachel, Sean (Kristie), David (Bianca), Abby, Emily, Raeann, Joseph and the late Matthew Moran. Loving great-grandmother of Ralph V, Daymion, Harper, Morgan, Sawyer and Olive. Dear sister-In-Law of MaryAnn Saunders. Predeceased by her 12 siblings. Survived by loving niece Mary Jane (Jay) Goheen, and many nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews and cousins.

Marge was known as “Muggy” and was born, raised and lived her entire 87 years in Gloucester City. She was a graduate of Gloucester City High School Class of 1953. Marge was a lifelong and devoted parishioner of St. Mary’s Church in Gloucester City. She was the parish bookkeeper for over 45 years and retired in 2020. Marge was dedicated to her beloved St. Mary’s and to the many pastors and priests that she worked with daily for many decades.

She was very involved when her children were at St. Mary’s School in Gloucester City with the St. Mary’s School PTA. Marge was involved with the Parish “Saints and Singers” Group that did shows for St. Patrick’s Day. She was a den mother for Cub Scouts in Gloucester City.

Relatives and friends attended Marge’s viewing in St. Mary’s Church, where the Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated. Interment with her late husband, Ralph, was in New Saint Mary’s Cemetery, Bellmawr.

Family requests in lieu of flowers, memorial donations in Marge’s name to St. Vincent DePaul Society c/o Saint Mary’s R.C. Church: 420 Monmouth Street, Gloucester City, NJ 08030 or Msgr. Lucitt’s Needy Children’s Christmas Fund: P.O. Box 87, Gloucester City, NJ 08030. Please write in memo: Margaret A. Saunders.

Funeral arrangements entrusted to the McCann-Healey Funeral Home, 851 Monmouth St., Gloucester City.

Theresa Lynn Rusk (Nov. 18th)

Theresa Lynn Rusk, 35, of Gloucester City passed away suddenly on November 1, 2021.

Loving and cherished mother of Aubrey Lynn Rusk. Devoted daughter of Diane Lynn Rusk Sr. (nee Alcorn) and the late Alan Frank Rusk. Beloved sister of Diane Lynn (Alex) Palmer. Survived by many aunts, uncles, friends, and cousins, including her best friend Amber Hoffman (John Eberle) and nieces, Kayla and Vera.

Theresa was born in Voorhees Township and was a resident of Gloucester City. She graduated from Gloucester City High School in 2004. Theresa was a graduate of Camden County College and was a Certified Nursing Assistant at Inspira Hospital in Woodbury. Family was everything to Theresa, especially the love of her life and best friend in the world, her daughter Aubrey. She enjoyed to go shopping, getting her hair and nails done and doing her makeup. A perfect day for her would be riding around Gloucester City with her daughter, mom, little sister and best friends bumpin’ to 90’s hip hop and Rn’B music.

Theresa loved her late dog Louie and her cats, Leo and Boots. Theresa loved to sing every word to any lil’ kim, Mobb deep or Biggie song & dance her butt off to any music that was on.

Relatives, friends and former classmates attended her viewing and celebrated her life at the Catholic Funeral Service in the McCann-Healey Funeral Home, 851 Monmouth St., Gloucester City.

Interment with her dad was at Cedar Grove Cemetery, Gloucester City. Family respectfully requests no flowers and all memorial donations for Theresa to the go fund me page at this link: <https://gofund.me/d3728060>.

William H. Colucci (Nov. 18th)

William H. “Tony” Colucci, 80, of Woodstock, Ontario, formerly of Maple Shade and Bellmawr, passed away suddenly and unexpectedly at his home on Monday, November 1, 2021.

Much loved and cherished husband of Diane Colucci of Woodstock, Ontario. Stepfather of Shawn MacDonald from Calgary, Alberta and step-grandfather of Jeremie, (Calgary), Naomi (Texas), and Kaitlyn (Hawaii). Tony also had a special bonded relationship with Justin and Kelly Byers of Woodstock and their children Mason and Audrey, who considered Tony their third grandpa.

Tony leaves behind his brothers George (Madeline) Colucci, Anthony (Jenna) Colucci and Charlie Colucci, as well as sisters Sandy (Mark), Charlene (Ron) and Patricia (Nick) – all from New Jersey. Tony is survived by many nieces and nephews in the United States, and in-laws and great friends in Canada who all dearly loved him. Tony is predeceased by his brother Bobby, sister Laura, infant sister Barbara Jean, and parents Anthony and Laura Colucci. William was born and raised in Camden City and got his nickname “Tony” after moving to Canada, and was proud to be called a dual citizen after becoming a Canadian in 2014. He started with the Camden City Fire Department in 1969 and retired in 1996. Tony continued his work in fire service with the Camden County Fire Marshall.

He was a former member of the Camden County Emerald Society. Tony was also a police officer for five years with the Maple Shade Police Department and a former member of PBA Local No. 267. He was a huge sports fan and could always be heard cheering on his favorite hockey and footballs teams. He loved attending and watching the games with the Philadelphia Flyers and the Philadelphia Eagles.

Relatives and friends attended his viewing at the McCann-Healey Funeral Home, 851 Monmouth St., Gloucester City. Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at St. Mary’s Church, Gloucester City. Interment was in Calvary Cemetery, Cherry Hill.

The family will be having a celebration of Tony’s life here in Canada at a later date. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions to St. Mary’s Church, 420 Monmouth St., Gloucester City, NJ 08030. Please write in memo: Food Program – William H. Colucci.

For those wishing to make memorial donations in Bill’s beloved Canada, Salvation Army Food Bank or the SPCA as Tony loved animals, especially rescues, would be appreciated and may be arranged through the Brock and Visser Funeral Home, 845 Devonshire Ave., Woodstock, 519-539-0004.

David P. Kalt (Nov 25th)

David P. Kalt, 66, of Gloucester City, passed away on Sunday, November 7, 2021, at Inspira Medical Center, Mullica Hill.

David was born in Camden and had been a lifetime Gloucester City neighbor. He worked as a truck driver for Thermoseal Industries and had been a lifetime parishioner of St. Mary's Church, where he volunteered as an usher, both in Gloucester City. David was hardworking, quiet and kind. He was a member of the Sportsmen Athletic Club, and coached basketball, and was an avid Dallas Cowboys fan.

David leaves to cherish his memory his brother Edward and his late wife Janet Crabtree, Priscilla and her husband Jim Battersby, as well as his nieces and nephews: Connie Franklin, Jimmy Battersby, Edward Crabtree, Jr., Daniel Crabtree, and John Battersby.

The viewing and Mass of Christian Burial were celebrated at St. Mary's Church, Gloucester City. The Graveside Tribute was in New St. Mary's Cemetery, Bellmawr.

As an expression of sympathy and in lieu of flowers, contributions can be made to St. John of God Community Services 1145 Delsea Dr. Westville, NJ, 08093.

Florence Wallis (Nov 25th)

Florence Adele Wallis (nee Dimcoff), 95, passed away November 16, 2021, at her assisted care residence in Dresher.

Wife of the late Dr. Irving Wallis. Daughter of the late Rose and Samuel Dimcoff. Sister of the late Albert Dimcoff. Mother of Dr. Larry (Dr. Greta) Wallis and Dr. Steven (Marlene) Wallis. Grandmother of Jade Wallis, Devon (Alessandro) Gagliardi, Samuel (Sarah Aguiar) Wallis and Dr. Jeffrey Wallis. Also survived by seven great grandchildren.

Florence was raised in Philadelphia and graduated from Olney High School at age 16, with honors. She married and moved to Gloucester City, serving a term as PTA President, and then moved to Haddonfield. She later applied and was accepted to Glassboro State College at age 36, graduating with honors. Florence worked first as a teacher and later as a librarian for both Gloucester City and Cherry Hill school systems.

Her parents were Ukrainian immigrants so she was a first generation American. In addition to her native English, she spoke fluent Yiddish, was able to tell a great joke in either language, and loved to laugh. A longtime member of Temple Beth Sholom in Cherry Hill, she enjoyed opera, cooking, travel, and was an avid reader. Florence was cherished by all who knew her. She loved deeply and was deeply loved. She was one of the Grand Dames of her generation and will be greatly missed.

Funeral Services was at Platt Memorial Chapels, Cherry Hill. Interment was in Crescent Memorial Park, Pennsauken.

In lieu of flowers or condolence baskets, contributions may be made to the Parkinson's Foundation, Mid Atlantic Chapter, Attn: Donor Services, 200 SE 1st St., Suite 800, Miami, FL 33131. "May her memory be a blessing."

Janet Rose Houser (Nov 25th)

Janet Rose Houser, 68, of Bellmawr passed away on November 15, 2021.

Born in Camden, she was the daughter of the late, Frederick and Leona (Meade) Gugel. She is survived by her loving daughter, Janet (Olive) and her husband, Douglas Mummert; grandchildren, Jeena and John DeFrank; and great granddaughter, Elena DeFrank. Janet was predeceased by her daughter, Tina (Houser) DeFrank. Janet had worked for several years as a bartender.

Relatives and friends may visit on Sunday, Nov. 28, from 12 noon to 2 p.m. at the McCann Healey Funeral Home, 851 Monmouth St., Gloucester City. Burial will be held privately at a later date.

John R. Lombardi Jr. (Nov 25th)

John R. Lombardi Jr., 81, of Voorhees, formerly of Camden, passed away on November 6, 2021.

John is survived by his cousin, David Farace. He was a freelance writer for *Esquire*, *Rolling Stone* and the *New York Times*. John taught at Haverford College.

Catholic Graveside Services were celebrated at the Calvary Cemetery, Cherry Hill

Funeral arrangements entrusted to the McCann-Healey Funeral Home, 851 Monmouth St., Gloucester City.

Joseph P. Worts Sr. (Nov 25th)

Joseph P. Worts Sr., 93, of Bellmawr passed away on November 11, 2021.

Beloved husband of the late Virginia "Jean." Devoted father of Joseph Worts Jr., Patti Erickson, and Jane Evans (Mark). Loving grandfather of Jessica (Craig), Joshua, Luke, and Sydney and great grandfather of Matt, Jackson, and Weston. Dear brother of the late Frank and Bud. Also survived by many nieces and nephews, and his caregivers Rosaline and Mila.

Joe served in the US Navy as a Seabee during WWII and was stationed in Guam. In 1950 he met his best friend, Jean, and they were married the next year. He owned and operated Joseph P. Worts Carpet Workroom in Bellmawr for over 50 years. He was a Bellmawr Councilman. He belonged to the VFW Lodge 7410 and served as Commander.

Jean and Joe enjoyed traveling, their Saturday nights out, and visits to the casino. They were Philadelphia Eagles and Sixers season ticket holders. He spent his summers in Strathmere where he fished, clammed, and went crabbing with his family and friends on the Gina I, Gina II, and Gina III. He had a beautiful summer vegetable garden in Strathmere and many neighbors enjoyed the fruits of his labor.

The viewing was at the Gardner Funeral Home, 126 S. Black Horse Pike, Runnemede. The Funeral Mass was celebrated in Annunciation BVM Church, Bellmawr. Entombment was at New St. Mary's Mausoleum, Bellmawr.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Joe's memory to the Alzheimer's Association, 3 Eves Drive Suite 310 Marlton NJ 08053 (www.alz.org).