



Rose M. Castiglia

October 24, 1936 - January 20, 2022

Sparta - Rose Marie Castiglia, 85, of Sparta, NJ, passed into eternal rest with family by her side Thursday, January 20, 2022, succumbing to metastatic breast cancer. Those who knew her best will remember her favorite pastime as spending time around the table sharing stories, enjoying good food, and laughing together.

Rose was born October 24, 1936, to the late Oliver and Helen Ballenger in Rochester, Indiana. She moved to Paterson, NJ, where she earned her living by factory work and cosmetic sales.

Rose married Guy Castiglia on April 18, 1970. The couple resided in Pompton Lakes and then North Bergen before settling in Parsippany where they raised their daughter and spent 26 years. During that time, she also worked for A-1 Marking Technologies in Mt. Tabor. Rose and Guy relocated to Las Vegas, Nevada, in 1996. She returned to New Jersey in 2018.

Rose was predeceased by her husband in 2003 and her sister, Alyce Bell in 2011. She is survived by her daughter and son-in-law, Dawn and Ned Seely of Wantage; two granddaughters, Casey and husband, Alec Hughes, of Sussex, and Emily Seely of Wantage; and her brother, Richard Markley of Florida. Rose is also survived by her loving in laws in Italy and the US, and several nieces and a nephew in Arizona and a nephew in Rochester, Indiana.

A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, April 23, 2022, at Highlands Bible Church, 307 Route 94, Vernon, NJ.

Our family extends thanks to Karen Ann Quinlan Hospice, for your compassionate care during mom's last weeks of life – namely to Pat, Robert, Barbara, Jenna, Lynne, and Stephanie. To the entire staff of Knoll Heights Village, thank you for providing mom with a place to live out her last few years with tender care and dignity – above and beyond.

In lieu of flowers, donations are welcomed to My Brother's Place, a nonprofit organization providing physical and spiritual refuge to families in need in Sussex County - PO Box 1003, Vernon, NJ 07462. Online condolences may be offered to the family at www.pinkelfuneralhome.com

Previous Events

Memorial Service

MAY 28. 3:00 PM (ET)

Highlands Bible Church
307 Route 94
Vernon, NJ 07462

MEMORIAL SERVICES HAVE BEEN RESCHEDULED. ROSE'S DAUGHTER TESTED POSITIVE FOR COVID

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Tribute Wall

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“ Tammy Brathor lit a candle in memory of
Rose M. Castiglia



Tammy Brathor - September 23, 2025 at 10:47 PM

TB

*We lived next door to Guy and Rose on Hermosa Palms in Las Vegas ,
Nv. My husband Jim and I loved them both , they were great neighbors!
Loved their dog named Pico also !!!*

*Then they moved to another house just across the street from us ! Guy
used to make his own wine in the garage and we loved Roses deviled
eggs with arugula on top . We were very sad when we learned that
Guy had cancer and even more sad when we learned of his passing .
We visited both of them when they moved to a trailer park , they had a
cute little home there . We often wondered what happened to Rose,
our hearts are sad learning of her passing . My husband and I have
fond memories of both of them and while sad we are happy that the
two of them are together again. Guy told us while he was very sick to
make sure we are right with God , I believe he made peace with God
and I'm sure Rose did too . Our condolences to their daughter and
family.*

Love Jim and Tammy Brathor .

Tammy Brathor - September 23, 2025 at 10:55 PM

CB

“ After Dawn was adopted by Guy and Rose they allowed all of
Dawns 9 siblings to visit anytime. Outstanding and awesome.

Charlotte aka Billie - February 08, 2022 at 09:07 PM