



## Anita Alberta Cirillo

October 17, 1930 - January 23, 2019

Anita Alberta Cirillo, age 88, passed from this life and entered into eternal rest on January 23, 2019, at Embrace Hospice House in Myrtle Beach, SC, after a long battle with cancer. She was the wife of Frank J. Cirillo with whom she shared 67 years of marriage.

Born in Brooklyn, NY, she was the daughter of the late Marie Sabatino and the late John Taormina. She graduated from St. Brendan High School, was admitted to St. John's College in Brooklyn and was briefly employed outside the home. After her husband returned from the service they moved to Huntington Station, NY, where she devoted herself, as homemaker, to their three children, Maria, Lisa and Frank Jr. Her care of their daughter, Lisa, who had developmental and intellectual disabilities, was a life long labor of love. They later moved to Middlebury, VT and have had a home in Myrtle Beach for the past 38 years.

She served as the Long Island Chapter President of the Association for the Help of Retarded Children, as it was formerly called, and assisted with Special Olympics. She was a member of the Rosary Altar Society and was always active in her church and her children's schools. She was an expert seamstress, quilter, knitter, crafter and baker. She enjoyed playing piano, gardening, bowling, ballroom dancing, water aerobics and bingo, and was an avid tennis player. Later in life she traveled extensively and was an active member of the South Strand Senior Center in Surfside Beach, SC. She will be remembered as a devoted wife, mother, sister, grandmother, aunt and friend.

She was predeceased by her beloved daughter, Lisa, in 2003. She is survived by her husband, Frank J. Cirillo; by her daughter, Maria Cirillo-Lein and spouse, George Lein, of Elkton, MD; by her son, Frank B. Cirillo and spouse, Sophie, of Darien, CT; by her grandchildren, Jessica Ortiz and spouse, Adam, Andrew Lein and spouse, Tina, and Cameron and Caroline Cirillo; and by her great-grandchildren, Ava, Brynn and Charlotte Lein and Jude Ortiz. She is also survived by her brother, Ernest Tarmin of Lynbrook, NY and by her sister, Frances Butta, of Manhasset, NY.

A Memorial Mass will be held at St. Michael's Roman Catholic Church in Murrells Inlet, SC, Saturday, April 6, 2019 at 10:00 am, with inurnment to follow in the Father Carlo Garden of Remembrance, the Church's Columbarium.

The family extends their special thanks to her dedicated doctors, Calhoun Cunningham, MD and Edward Eckert, Jr., DDS of Myrtle Beach. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Arc of the United States and the Horry County Council on Aging.

# Comments

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“ Victoria Cagliero lit a candle in memory of Anita Alberta Cirillo



Victoria Cagliero - January 29 at 10:35 AM

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“ Frank,

Dennis and I are very sorry to hear about your loss. We pray that the Lord gives you and your family comfort knowing Anita is resting peacefully with Him.

Dennis and Marie Wade



Marie and Dennis Wade - January 27 at 12:42 PM

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“ Frank and family.

So sorry to hear of Anita's passing. We lived in the Bristol Notch area. We loved playing tennis on that court in the woods. Bob & Kathy Crane

Robert Crane - January 27 at 08:46 AM

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“ Clint And Suellen Lappe lit a candle in memory of Anita Alberta Cirillo



**Clint and Suellen Lappe** - January 25 at 12:14 PM

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“ Frank and Family,  
Its Debbie from Sand Dollar Properties. I used to manage the condos at the myrtle beach resort. I knew you and Anita from there.  
I am so sorry to hear about Anita. Bless her precious heart.  
My prayers are with you and your family.



**Debbie Bolynn** - January 25 at 09:22 AM

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“ Brian Thompson lit a candle in memory of Anita Alberta Cirillo



**Brian Thompson** - January 24 at 09:07 PM



“ So sad to hear about her passing Anita was a very nice lady and a great person she was out going and I always had a good time at family parties and get togethers with her she made me laugh and she would always get up and dance with everyone she was a lovely person and she will be missed but I will always remember her laughter and good nature lots of prayers to her and her family

**Brian Thompson** - January 24 at 09:18 PM

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“ Joseph Lein lit a candle in memory of Anita Alberta Cirillo



Joseph Lein - January 24 at 02:09 PM

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“ I was so saddened by to hear about Anita's passing. At least her difficulties are finally over. She was always kind to me and always displayed a certain grace that was truly her own. My thoughts and prayers go out to the Cirillo family....Joseph Lein

Joseph Lein - January 24 at 01:55 PM