



Antionette "Nettie" Howard

September 9, 1939 - May 15, 2026

Antionette "Nettie" Howard, 86 of Old Bridge, New Jersey passed away on Friday, May 15, 2026, at her home surrounded by her loving family.

Born Wednesday, September 6, 1939 in Brooklyn, New York, Antionette was the daughter of the late Joseph and Emilia Sepulveda.

Nettie was raised in Brooklyn and was a graduate of Clare Barton Nursing School. She would meet and marry Chip Howard. The couple lived in Brooklyn, and started their family there. Eventually the family settled in Old Bridge in 1970.

Nettie was an active member of the Old Bridge community while raising her children. She was the first female umpire at the Sayrewoods South Little Little in 1975. She worked for many years at the A&P as a cashier. Later in life Nettie enjoyed spending time at the Silver Linings senior center here in Old Bridge.

Nettie was an excellent cook who enjoyed making meals for her family. She enjoyed trips to Atlantic City, and playing Bingo here in Old Bridge. She was very motivated around the home, always taking on new home improvement projects. More than anything Nettie loved being surrounded by her family and she will be deeply missed by all those that love her.

Nettie was predeceased by her parents, Joseph and Emilia, and by her siblings, Joseph, Rita, Margaret, Louie, Pete, Billy, and Angela.

Nettie is survived by her husband of 63 years, Chip, by her loving children, Jim and his wife Cindy, Bob and his wife Susie, Christine and her husband Anthony, and Tom and his wife Laurie, by her cherished grandchildren, Daryl (Dianna), John (Amy), Kevin (Alisa), Jack (Hannah), Sean, Kyle (Delaney), and Luke, by her adored great grandchildren Aurora and Jace, by her caring siblings, Daniel, Dolores, Theresa, Marie, and Arlene, by her caring sister in law Dee, and by many loving cousins, nieces, and nephews.

The family will receive friends from 3:00 PM to 7:00 PM on Tuesday, May 19, 2026, at Michael Hegarty & John Vincent Scalia Home For Funerals and Cremation Service, 3377 US Highway 9, Old Bridge, New Jersey.

In lieu of flowers the family requests that donations in Antionette's memory are made to either the St. Jude Children's Hospital or to Tunnel to Towers.

Upcoming Events

Visitation

MAY **19**. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Michael Hegarty & John Vincent Scalia Home for Funerals and Cremation Service

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Tribute Wall

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“ *The Singleton and Gregurovic Family purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Antionette "Nettie" Howard.*



The Singleton and Gregurovic Family - Yesterday at 05:58 PM

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“ *I'm so sorry for your loss. I will be praying for your family during this most difficult time.*
Sincerely,
Sandy Hickerson



Sandra Hickerson - Yesterday at 03:05 PM

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“ *From the 7-11 Construction Family purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Antionette "Nettie" Howard.*



From the 7-11 Construction Family - Yesterday at 01:54 PM

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“ *Your friends at Guest Supply purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Antionette "Nettie" Howard.*



Your friends at Guest Supply - Yesterday at 12:24 PM

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“ Your friends at Guest Supply planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Antionette "Nettie" Howard.

Your friends at Guest Supply - Yesterday at 12:24 PM



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Antionette "Nettie" Howard.



Yesterday at 11:20 AM

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“ Aunt Nettie was more than my aunt — she was my double aunt, my honorary godmother, and one of the strongest pillars of our family. My mother and she were sisters, and they married my father and his brother, weaving our lives together in a way that made her presence constant, familiar, and deeply rooted in my heart.



I was raised around her. She was part of the foundation of our family — resilient, strong-willed, and unforgettable. She carried herself with strength and made an impact that generations of our family will continue to feel.

This is such a bittersweet loss because she was truly a staple in our world. But what remains greater than the grief is the love she leaves behind. Aunt Nettie was very loved, and she always knew it.

Her absence will be felt deeply, but her strength, her spirit, and the memories she gave us will live on in all of us.

*I love you 'Beautiful'
Xo*

Dolores - Yesterday at 11:05 AM