



## Donna Cardillo

February 8, 1956 - August 12, 2023

Donna Cardillo, 67, of Old Bridge, New Jersey passed away on Saturday, August 12, 2023, at Temple University Hospital in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Born February 8, 1956 in Brooklyn, New York, Donna was the daughter of the late Frank and Dolores LoCicero.

Donna spent most of her younger years in Brooklyn, before her family moved to Staten Island when Donna was in high school. She went on to graduate from Port Richmond High School.

Donna met and married the love of her life, Robert Cardillo while working for U.S. Trust in the financial district of Manhattan. The couple resided in Brooklyn. It was there Donna would have her son, Christopher. The family settled in Old Bridge, New Jersey in 1993.

Donna worked for many years at U.S. Trust, and later in life worked as a medical biller for local doctors offices. Her truest calling was simply helping others. In her spare time Donna enjoyed bowling; both Donna and Bob bowled together in a league. Donna enjoyed bingo and spending time with friends, of which there were many. She loved a good dinner and trips to Atlantic City. Donna was a loving and caring woman who will be missed by all those that knew her.

Donna was predeceased by her beloved husband Robert, and by her brothers, Frankie and Charles.

Donna is survived by her loving son, Christopher, loving step son Nicholas, and by her cherished grandchildren, Elizabeth, Kristen, Nicole, and Matthew.

The family will receive friends from 3:00 PM to 8:00 PM on Wednesday, August 16, 2023, at Michael Hegarty & John Vincent Scalia Home For Funerals and Cremation Service, 3377 US Highway 9, Old Bridge, New Jersey.

In lieu of flowers, please make donations to the HealthWell Foundation.  
<https://www.healthwellfoundation.org/donate/>

A funeral mass will be held on Thursday, 9:30 AM, at St. Thomas the Apostle Church, Old Bridge, NJ. Interment services will follow at Green-Wood Cemetery, Brooklyn, NY.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG 16. 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Michael Hegarty & John Vincent Scalia Home for Funerals and Cremation Service  
3377 US Highway 9  
Old Bridge, NJ 08857  
(732) 679-4422  
hegartyfh@scaliahome.com  
<https://www.hegartyscaliafuneralhome.com>

## Mass of Christian Burial

AUG 17. 9:30 AM (ET)

St. Thomas the Apostle  
One St. Thomas Plaza  
Old Bridge, NJ 08857

## Interment

AUG 17. 11:30 AM (ET)

Greenwood Cemetery  
500 25th Street  
Brooklyn, NY 11232

# Tribute Wall

MG

“ You always made me laugh,now you are with your pal Aileen.Wishing you a peaceful rest. Michael Ginocchio

michael J ginocchio - December 09, 2024 at 08:35 AM

LU

“ Lucy lit a candle in memory of Donna Cardillo



Lucy - February 08, 2024 at 12:27 PM

LU

Happy Birthday in Heaven Donna 💜

Lucy - February 08, 2024 at 12:28 PM



“ Donna Cardillo

October 05, 2023 at 11:16 AM

AG

“ Anna Gonzalez lit a candle in memory of Donna Cardillo



Anna Gonzalez - August 17, 2023 at 02:42 PM

AN

*Donna had a huge heart, had the pleasure working for her at US Trust Co. Someone so special can never be forgotten. My deepest sympathy as we remember Donna.  
RIP Love you, Donna*

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**Anna** - August 18, 2023 at 03:23 PM

JG

“ *To my Dear, Sweet Donna,  
I've only had the honor of knowing you for 15 years, you were taken from us much too soon. Simply put, you are one of the most special people that I ever had the privilege of knowing. You truly have enriched my life and I feel that I am a better person for having known you. Such a beautiful angel, inside and out. I will love you always.  
May you rest in peace.  
xoxo Janet Gould*

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**Janet Gould** - August 17, 2023 at 12:18 AM

DF

“ *Donna lit up every room- and had the most positive attitude about every aspect of life. She had the ability to bring you up out of your darkest days- even when she would be going through something worse! Fond memories of her home in the summer- around the pool and barbecuing on the porch. Love you.*

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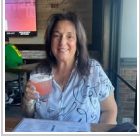
**Daniel Farley** - August 16, 2023 at 12:37 PM

AK

“ *Donna had the most beautiful heart, always smiling and genuinely loved life. She will be greatly missed.*

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**Amanda K.** - August 16, 2023 at 09:51 AM



“ *RIP Donna!*



**Doreen Franzone-Raicaldo** - August 15, 2023 at 10:38 PM

KT

*I first met Donna on my beru first day working at US Trust in June 1985. She greeted me with that mega-watt smile and she knew I was starting out working temporary in the SMS Department, but already, I felt that I was going to be a permanent employee just by the way she introduced me to some of the managerual and supervisory members in "the cage" at 45 Wall Street. She always treated me with the utmost kindness and I enjoyed working at US Trust and I am eternally grateful for that and for being a part of the family of US Trust Co. Donna was a huge part of that and may she be forever a part of God's heavenly family 🙏🙏*

**Kermit Thompson** - August 16, 2023 at 12:27 PM

GB

*We had the privilege of knowing Donna Bob and their son Christopher as the result of the wonderful friendship she had with my dearest cousin aileen donegan RIP. we had many happy times at their home while on our regular trips from Ireland. memories that will last a lifetime. Donna was a truly beautiful person who always greeted us with that big smile and hearty laugh, our world was a nicer place with Donna in it Rest in Peace*

**geraldine byrne** - August 16, 2023 at 03:44 PM



“ 147 files added to the album *LifeTributes*



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**Michael Hegarty & John Vincent Scalia Home for Funerals and Cremation Service** - August 15, 2023 at 05:06 PM

EL

“ *Donna I met 45yrs ago at Janet's house and had a crush on you from then. We both had great people in our lives and we would just say hello and good bye. Then 4yrs ago you came to my family reunion and I got that funny feeling in my ❤️ again. When I got home I got sick n went into the hospital and who shows up you. Then I new i.had a shot to be with you I turned out to be the luckiest guy in.the world. Not only did you save my life I got to meet the strongest,caring happiest,loving woman in the universe. Heaven is so lucky to get a angel like you. My heart is broken not seeing you every morning.*

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**Eugene Laino** - August 14, 2023 at 03:16 PM

PE

“ I met you 27 years ago and after your relentless persistence, we finally became friends. Then before you knew it we became family. Because that’s how it worked with you. You always made good things happen.

You taught me a lot about life, about people, about persistence and especially about resolve.

We had so, so many great times together. The stories are truly limitless.

We also helped each other through the most tremendous losses. Those stories are unfortunately limitless as well.

We laughed and laughed until we cried.

We cried and cried until we laughed.

Our friendship even endured a few ups and downs but In the end we always knew we could count on each other.

The good always outweighed the bad.

My life was better with you in it.

I miss you already.

I’m not going to lie, this one is a real hard one for me Don. It just doesn’t seem fathomable to me. My heart is so heavy.

You weren’t supposed to leave this soon. We still had a lot more laughing to do together.

Until we meet again you’ll always remain in my thoughts and prayers and I’ll never stop telling my “Donna stories.”

Thanks for it all my friend, thanks for it all. ❤️

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peggy - August 14, 2023 at 12:06 PM

JL

“ *My Dearest Donna,  
Our Moms were best friends and through them we became best friends. You are one of the strongest, loving and giving people I know. You touched so many lives and helped so many people, including me. I am going to miss you so much I can't even fathom it, beyond any words. Your smile was breathtaking and when you walked into a room you lit it up – that's my Donna. I am going to miss our phone calls every morning, afternoon and night time, and man can you cook up some good dinners, going to miss that too. What am I going to do – OMG- Rest in Peace my Donna. My heart is so broken but know that I always loved you forever and forever. I will always hold a special place in my heart for you. Love you my friend Janet Laino*

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**Janet Laino** - August 14, 2023 at 09:04 AM

JM

“ *Live  
You lived life to its fullest. You never excepted the limitations that this sickness put on you.  
Love  
You loved unconditionally  
Laugh  
You always made the room laugh, even when the doctors told you the end was near.  
You changed our lives forever  
Rest in Peace "Princess"*

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**Jennie Mulhern** - August 14, 2023 at 08:04 AM

MA

“ *Mary lit a candle in memory of Donna Cardillo*



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**Mary** - August 13, 2023 at 11:41 PM

MA

“ *Donna. You were always first in line, so why it would be different for heaven... The biggest smile. The kindest heart. When you called me and said - no rush, I knew yesterday was probably too late. You had a gift to talk to people. I loved watching you, how you talked yourself out from almost everything. Almost... How you got yes, where everyone else would get hard no. Or just stopped trying. You never stopped. You always told me - Mary, watch and learn. And I did. You taught me a lot. Thank you for being part of our lives. My American mom. We miss you already. Mary and Peter*

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**Mary** - August 13, 2023 at 11:40 PM

DR

“ *This is only funny if you know Donna well. Many years ago her brother Frankie was missing. I had to go on a wild goose chase with her to find him. After checking hospitals etc we went to his apartment. We go into the bathroom and she is scared shitless to open the curtain. She grabs me and tells me to open the curtain. I was shaking but I did it. He wasn't there. We ultimately found him thank God. She was definitely the boss lady. Lol. I will forever miss you*

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**Debbie Russo** - August 13, 2023 at 07:39 PM

JM

*Donna was the funniest, smart, kind person everrrr, when she walked into a room you just felt her love for everyone, we worked together from 1979, and became Family, she drove me crazy but i loved her more than a sister RIP my friend so Happy I got to see you and spend time alone with you Love You so must*

Joanne Mancini - August 13, 2023 at 08:17 PM

SC

*I grew up with Donna when she lived in Brooklyn. We lived a few doors away. She was always so much fun. So many great memories. My deepest condolences to her family and friends. Rest In Peace sweet Donna. You will never be forgotten.*

susan Cotona - August 13, 2023 at 11:15 PM

MZ

*Maria zampella. I went to jhs with Donna, we were in the same Italian class. She was so funny, always joking, laughing. She was smart and always made u laugh. We lost touch for a while but found each other again. We had some great times, even went out to dinner with bob and my husband. I'll never forget her, she was my oldest and dearest friends and I will miss her greatly. Rip Donna, love you ❤️*

maria zampella - August 14, 2023 at 02:40 PM

LS

*Sad news; Donna was a very special person. We were part of the big UST Company Family for close to four decades. My deepest sympathy to Christopher and Family. Lots of memories. RIP Donna 🙏💜*

Lucy Schwartz - August 16, 2023 at 10:29 AM

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Anna Gonzalez - August 17, 2023 at 02:41 PM

CZ

“ Alan & I never would have guessed that the crazy neighbor who rang our bell to tell us we had carpenter bees would become part of our family. Donna was the big sister we always wanted and a very special person in all of our lives. She was one of the kindest and loving people we have ever known. Losing Donna will leave a permanent void in our family. We will do our best to fill this void with all the great memories & laughter we shared over the past 22 years. We love you and will miss you.

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Camille Zaslau - August 13, 2023 at 07:35 PM

PE

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peggy - August 13, 2023 at 10:55 PM

DR

“ *My dear dear friend Whenever there was a problem you'd tell me... "what can you do" shit happens"! I wish you had some answers for me now! I love you with all my heart!*💔

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**Debbie Russo** - August 13, 2023 at 07:07 PM