



Helen Smaldone

June 30, 1922 - January 21, 2022

Helen Smaldone, 99 of Monroe Township, New Jersey passed away on Friday, January 21, 2022, at home surrounded by her loving family.

Born Friday, June 30, 1922 in Brooklyn, New York, Helen was the daughter of the late Vincenzo and Vincenza Imbriani.

Helen was born in the Fort Greene section of Brooklyn. She was a graduate of Girls Commercial High School and later received a diploma in secretarial studies from Drake Business School. In 1942 she began working as a clerk/typist at the former Mergenthaler Linotype in Brooklyn and would later have a 27 year career as a transfer clerk in the exchange stocks and bonds department at Chase Manhattan Bank. She retired in 1987.

In 1943, after a four year courtship she married the love of her life, John Smaldone, who was serving in the US Army. Considered a war bride, Helen traveled to Fayetteville, NC to be with her husband. After the war, the couple returned to Brooklyn to raise their daughter, Joanne. In 1973 they moved to Regis Drive in the Graniteville section of Staten Island. After her husband passed, Helen settled in Monroe Township, NJ to the community of Stonebridge with her daughter and son-in-law.

Helen loved being around people from the front stoop in Brooklyn to the front

yards on Regis Drive. She and John enjoyed meeting their friends every day at the Staten Island Mall for breakfast. Later in life, living in New Jersey, Helen enjoyed the parties and events at Stonebridge. She was also known as the most famous grandma in Old Bridge where she became everyone's 'GRAM'. She loved going to PTA meetings, book club and music bingo. Helen lit up the room wherever she went. The people that Helen loved being around the most were her family. They were her life and they were all blessed to have her in theirs.

Helen was predeceased by her beloved husband John, who passed away in 2008, by her parents, Vincenzo and Vincenza, and by her siblings, Viola, Anthony, Patsy, and Carmine.

Helen is survived by her loving daughter Joanne DeVito and her husband Raymond, by her granddaughters, Kim Molinaro-Kenavan and her husband Shawn, and Michele Milone and her husband Marcello, and by her great grandchildren, Nicholas Zolfo, Ava Zolfo, Marcello Milone, Emilie Milone, Juliette Milone, and Shawn Haskins.

The family will receive friends from 2:00 PM to 5:00 PM and 7:00 PM to 10:00 PM on Tuesday, January 25, 2022, at Michael Hegarty & John Vincent Scalia Home For Funerals and Cremation Service, 3377 US Highway 9, Old Bridge, New Jersey.

A Funeral Mass will be at 11:00 AM on Wednesday at St. Teresa Church located at 1634 Victory Blvd Staten Island, New York 10314. Interment will be in St. Peter's Cemetery, Staten Island, NY.

Cemetery Details

St. Peter's Cemetery

Bement Ave. & Clove Road
Staten Island, NY 10310

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 25. 2:00 PM - 5:00 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
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Visitation

JAN 25. 7:00 PM - 10:00 PM (ET)

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Service

JAN 26. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Teresa Church
1634 Victory Boulevard
Staten Island, NY 10314

Service

JAN 26 (ET)

St Peter's Cemetery
52 Tyler Ave
Staten Island, NY 10310

Tribute Wall



“ *Helen Smaldone*

October 05, 2023 at 11:16 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Helen Smaldone.*



January 26, 2022 at 10:39 AM



“ *163 files added to the album LifeTributes*



Michael Hegarty & John Vincent Scalia Home for Funerals and Cremation Service - January 25, 2022 at 11:02 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Helen Smaldone.*



January 24, 2022 at 07:38 AM



“ *Heavenly Heights Bouquet was purchased for the family of Helen Smaldone.*



January 23, 2022 at 11:56 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Helen Smaldone.*



January 23, 2022 at 06:38 PM



“ *Love, Lucianne Gaudio and family purchased the Sweet Tenderness for the family of Helen Smaldone.*



Love, Lucianne Gaudio and family - January 23, 2022 at 05:37 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Helen Smaldone.*



January 23, 2022 at 02:02 PM



“ *To the best godmother ever
And godfather
Never forgot a birthday and would bring strawberry shortcake every
year to celebrate with me and till this year always sent a card
You will be missed
Always in My heart*

paula zollo - January 23, 2022 at 01:55 PM



I love you mommy. Please know that. I am devastated

Joanne Devito - January 23, 2022 at 04:19 PM